Local Heritage Listing

- Using government funding, the council has developed a Local Heritage List to protect some of the most important heritage sites in the county that contribute to the local character of Buckinghamshire.
- The Local Heritage List identifies locally significant heritage sites and celebrates their contribution to local identity and character.
- Sites were nominated by local communities and council staff and evaluated by the council's heritage team with volunteers also working on the project.
- Assets on the Local Heritage List will be recognised and considered in any future planning applications, helping to protect local heritage assets for future generations to enjoy.
- There have been more than 2,653 nominations for inclusion on the list and 771 of these sites are now being brought forward for adoption in Phase 1, with the rest being assessed for Phase 2.
- To view a list of nominated sites, please visit the <u>Buckinghamshire Local Heritage List website</u>.

On street residential chargepoint scheme funding for EV charge locations

- After successfully securing £407k from the Office for Zero Emission Vehicles via their On-Street Residential Chargepoint Scheme, the council will now be installing 128 new EV parking bays in 16 of its car parks across the county with work being completed by April 2023.
- We are now looking for other opportunities to broaden the public charging network in local town and village community car parks in Buckinghamshire.
- Our aim is to submit a combined bid to the On-Street Residential Chargepoint Scheme in March 2023, to provide the funding for this initiative. We will work alongside town and parish councils to assess what type of chargepoint might be suitable for each site, calculate the cost of installation and the power connection costs, and liaise with EV chargepoint suppliers on behalf of town and parish councils. We can also help to procure and manage the installation.
- Find out more about <u>Buckinghamshire Council's 5-year Action Plan</u> to support the transition of the county to EVs.

Local Plan update

- Over 700 sites have been submitted for consideration as land for possible future development within Buckinghamshire. Our previous calls for brownfield sites resulted in 300 sites being suggested. An interactive map showing these has now been published. <u>Brownfield</u> <u>CFS 2021-22 (arcgis.com)</u>
- Officers have now started the process of evaluating each of the sites against the criteria of suitability for their chosen use, availability and deliverability over the plan period to 2040.
- We are currently working to set out the overarching vision and objectives for the Local Plan for Buckinghamshire which will shape our work going forwards. In accordance with good practice on community engagement, the team is working on a forthcoming public consultation which will enable people to comment and give feedback on the draft Vision and Objectives.

Visitor Economy survey

- Buckinghamshire Council has launched a new Tourism Survey which will help to shape the
 future of Buckinghamshire's visitor economy sector. The council is inviting input from
 residents, businesses and key stakeholders which it will use to help identify new
 opportunities and to support the future growth of the visitor economy across
 Buckinghamshire.
- The survey will be an important contributor to a Visitor Economy Strategy currently being developed by Buckinghamshire Council and its partners. The strategy itself will aim to identify how Buckinghamshire can build on the opportunities within its visitor economy with a view to supporting businesses and creating jobs.
- Buckinghamshire residents, business owners and other tourism stakeholders can complete the survey here.