North Warwickshire Local List Selection Criteria

- 1 This note sets out the criteria that will be used in nominating and selecting those buildings, structures, historic or special features in the landscape, gardens, memorials or sunken lanes that will be placed on to the Local Heritage List for North Warwickshire.
- 2 North Warwickshire has an abundance of designated and non-designated Heritage Assets that collectively contribute to the historic environment within North Warwickshire. Designated Heritage Assets range from Scheduled Ancient Monuments, Historic Parks and Gardens, Grade 1, 2* and 2 listed buildings and protection of historically significant townscapes and settlements through designated Conservation Areas.
- 3 There are many other non-designated heritage assets of local importance that are valued by the local community for their contribution to a setting or place. Including local non-designated heritage assets on a local list would ensure their significance is taken into account in planning decision-making. The local list can include buildings, structures, historic or special features in the landscape, gardens, memorials or sunken lanes that are not of sufficient merit to be statutorily listed but are seen to be of local historic importance or architectural significance.

Guidance for assessing the significance of local heritage assets

- 4 Each local listing will have a set of heritage values contributing to their significance which have been developed by <u>Historic England in their</u> <u>Conservation Principles, Policies and Guidance 2008</u>. To gain an understanding of the Principle of significance you can access the Historic England website on the link <u>https://historicengland.org.uk/advice/constructive-conservation/conservation-principles</u>
- 5 The heritage values are defined as the following:-
 - Historic Value: the ways in which past people, events and aspects of life can be connected through a place to the present;
 - Aesthetic Value: the ways in which people draw sensory and intellectual stimulation from a place;
 - Evidential Value: the potential of a place to yield evidence about past human activity; and
 - Communal Value: the meanings of a place for people who relate to it, or for whom it figures in their collective experience or memory.

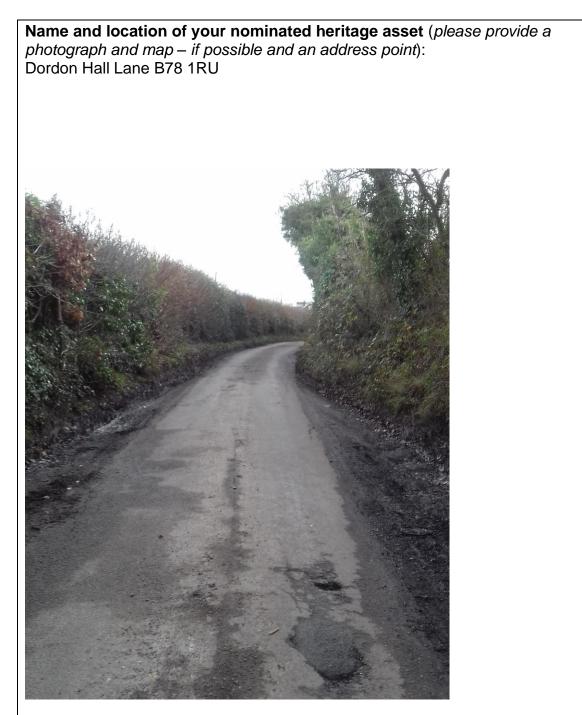
- 6 Furthermore, Historic England Advice Note 7: Local Heritage Listing provides advice and guidance on local selection criteria to assist with identifying local heritage assets suitable for listing. This can be accessed on the link <u>https://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/localheritage-listing-advice-note-7/</u>
- 7 The selection criteria developed by Historic England provides a consistent way for identifying and managing the importance of the local heritage assets to ensure the proper validation and recording of each local heritage asset. The local selection criteria are set out below:

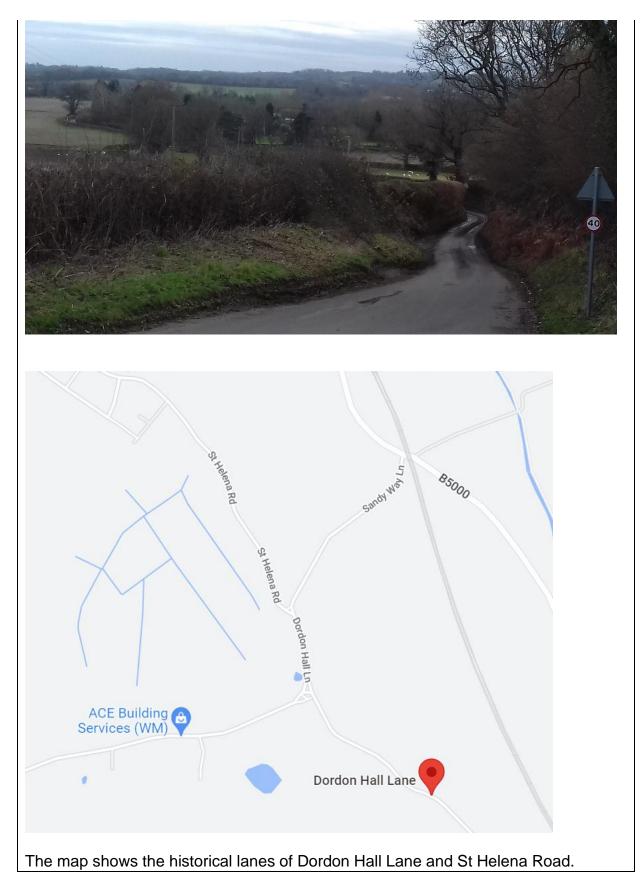
Age	The age of an asset may be an important criterion to take into	
	account distinctive local characteristics or building traditions. Age	
	does not necessarily mean that the building has to be decades	
	old. Mid to late 20th Century buildings also may be considered.	
Aesthetic	The intrinsic design value of an asset relating to local styles over	
Interest	its lifetime, materials or any other distinctive local characteristics.	
	The authenticity of the remaining historic fabric and whether the	
	building, structure, or landscape represents a good example of	
	intact features that are authentic to the period.	
Group Value	Groupings of assets with a clear visual design or historic	
-	relationship	
Rarity	Appropriate for all assets, it could the last surviving example of its	
	type	
Historical	The significance of a heritage asset may be enhanced by historical	
Association	association of local or national note, including links to important	
	local figures or events.	
Archaeological	The local heritage asset may provide evidence about past human	
Interest	activity in the locality, which may be archaeological - that is in the	
	form of buried remains – but may also be revealed in the structure	
	of buildings or in a manmade landscape.	
Archival	The significance of a local heritage asset may be enhanced by a	
Interest	contemporary or historic written record.	
Designed	The interest attached to locally important historic designed	
Landscape	landscapes, parks and gardens that may relate to social history.	
Interest	This may be a local green space.	
Social and	Sources of local identity, distinctiveness, social interaction and	
Communal	coherence, contributing to the 'collective memory' of a place.	
Value		
Landmark	An asset with strong communal or historical associations, or	
Status	because it has an especially striking aesthetic value, may be a	
	landmark within the local scene.	

8 The above criteria will be used for nominating and assessing a local heritage asset.



North Warwickshire Local List of Heritage Assets - Nomination Form





Please refer to the separate note: *North Warwickshire Local Heritage List - Selection Criteria*. The note explains the selection criteria which will be used in determining whether a nomination is successful. It is very important to provide as much

information in this form as possible to explain how the selection criteria are being addressed.

A WHAT IS IT?

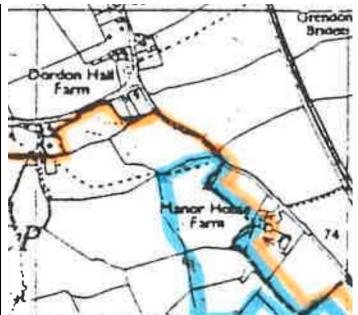
Please tick one of the following:

	A building or group of buildings
	A monument or site (an area of archaeological remains or a structure other than a building)
	A place (a street, park, garden or open space)
x	A landscape (an area defined by a visual feature, village, suburb, field system, sunken lane)

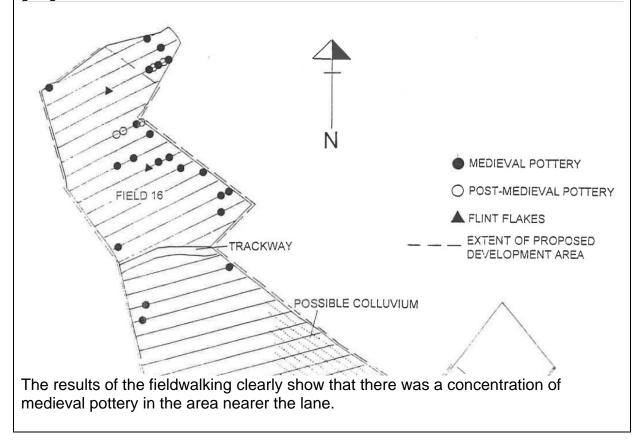
B WHY IS IT SIGNIFICANT? Indicate what it is about the asset that is valued locally. Please use the heritage values to define significance (Section 5 of the Note on Selection Criteria).

Historic:

This sunken lane is early Medieval in date if not older linking the Roman A5 to Polesworth and probably the Abbey. Recent fieldwalking in adjacent fields Records 8374, 8375 show that this lane was a road linking a shrunken medieval village (which was the original hamlet of Dordon) with Polesworth and the Watling Street.



This map from the 1997 report shows the shrumken lane to the east of Manor House Farm going northwards towards Polesworth.



Aesthetic:

The sunken lane is a rare survival of the visible medieval landscape.

Communal:

This lane is valued by residents as a regular dog walking and rambling area and a way to understand and interpret the medieval history of this area.

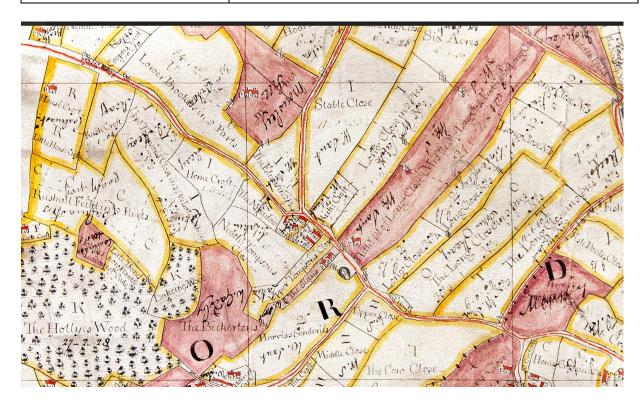
Evidential:

MWA 8375 following work submitted by J Glossip 1997.

C ARE THERE OTHER FACTORS OF HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE? Indicate what might make your nominated asset stand out from the surrounding environment (Section 7 of Note Selection Criteria):

Age: Is it old, or does it have a Significant date?	The lane is at least Early Medieval in date and serviced the original Dordon hamlet site discovered during fieldwalking.
Rarity: Is it unusual in the area. Or an only surviving example?	This is the only sunken way to survive in the parish.
Identity: Does it have a particular character that would be typical of North Warwickshire?	At the Polesworth end of St Helena Road, there is a stone marking the site of Little Jim's Cottage which has a large importance in local culture as a famous poem Jim (The collier's Dying Child) by Edward Farmer describes the house and the collier's son "Jim" dying there. This is the site of a small cottage and garden from at least the 17 th Century. It is clearly visible on a 1722 estate map see below.
Group Value/Quality: It is part of a group of assets?	It is a very good example of its type and the only one left within the parish.

Landmark Quality: Does it have a visual prominence in the townscape/landscape?	As the photograph shows, the shrunken way is a prominent historical landscape feature clearly visible from the crest of Dunn's Lane.
Other: Is there any other factor: Local value or Landscape interest? Archaeological Interest? Or Archival record? – Please explain	The extract of the 1722 estate map held at Staffordshire Record Office ref D1176-A-39-11. Puts the lane in context. The lane is shown as running from the South East to the North West where the Croft shown is Little Jim's. At the South East end remains of the shrunken settlement can be seen. Halfway across the map is Dordon Hall (near the field called The Slang) this shows how important the lane was in linking Dordon to Polesworth.



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