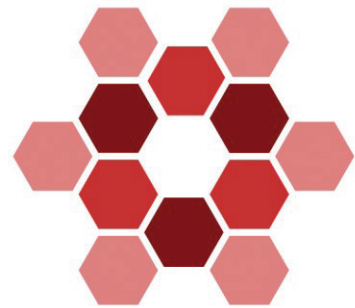




CONSULTATION RESPONSE TO PLANNING APPLICATION

To Planning Services, Kirklees Metropolitan Council, PO Box B93, Civic Centre, Huddersfield HD1 2JR

For the attention of **Bill Topping**

Application No. **2018/60/91787/E**

Development **Outline application for demolition of existing buildings and structures and erection of residential development**

Site Address **Greenside Mill, Savile Road, Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield, HD8 9EE**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSULTATION. AS KIRKLEES DISTRICT'S OFFICIALLY RETAINED PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS ON THE HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT, THE WEST YORKSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGY ADVISORY SERVICE WOULD MAKE THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS –

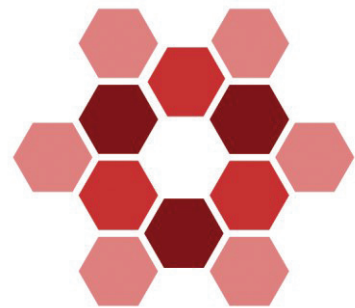
Statement of Significance

Greenside Mill is a non-designated heritage asset and class III area of archaeological interest (West Yorkshire Historic Environment Record PRN 14876). The mill complex lies to north of the Skelmanthorpe conservation area and Tenter Croft Mill (PRN 14875, also a class III site of archaeological interest. The application site comprises a complex of 19th and 20th century mill buildings and an industrial reservoir.

Buildings likely to be agricultural in use are shown within the site on the 1854 Ordnance Survey First Edition 6 inch to the mile map (surveyed 1849-50, sheet 261). However, the mill buildings originate in the 1860s with a date stone of 1865 pointing to the construction date. Sheds were constructed to the north of the original complex by the 1930s and subsequently augmented by more modern structures.

The mill was engaged in the manufacture of fancy woollen goods and shawls. The weaving of fancy or patterned woollens of a fashionable or novel nature was a specialism in parts of Kirklees and was a branch of textile manufacturing that was late to mechanise. This role, along with the surviving brick-built mill chimney and a possible dye house (the latter's role being identified from external evidence), adds considerably to the mill complex's integrity, significance and its class III interest.

The proposed demolition will destroy the significance and character of the mill and result in the alteration and loss of historic fabric. For this reason the WYAAS recommend that the application should be modified to retain the most significant multi-storey mill buildings with modern development on the site of the sheds.



Should planning permission be granted an archaeological and architectural record should be made of the mill complex prior to any demolition or development taking place.

Impact of Proposed Development

The application seeks to demolish all buildings within the mill complex and redevelop the site for housing. This will result in loss of important evidence of Greensides Mill's original form and historical development.

Recommended Course of Action

The WYAAS recommend that recommend that the application should be modified to retain the most significant multi-storey mill buildings.

Should the application be approved then an appropriate level of archaeological and architectural recording should be carried out prior to and during demolition (a building record).

This work can be secured by a suitably worded condition being placed on any grant of planning consent awarded by Kirklees Council.

Relevant Policies

In relation to the recommended archaeological and architectural recording the National Planning Policy Framework paragraph 141 states that local authorities "should also require developers to record and advance understanding of significance of any heritage assets to be lost (wholly or in part) in a manner proportionate to their importance and the impact, and to make this evidence (and any archive generated) publicly accessible. However, the ability to record evidence of our past should not be a factor in deciding whether such loss should be permitted."

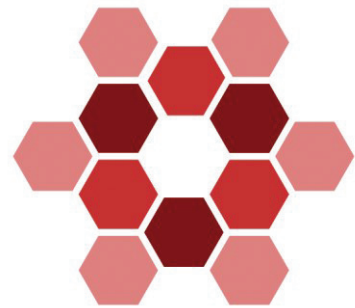
This is further supported by Kirklees UDP policy BE10 clause ii "PROPER PROVISION FOR EXCAVATION AND RECORDING NEEDS TO BE MADE BEFORE DEVELOPMENT PROCEEDS".

Publication Draft Local Plan, Strategy and Policies (November 2016) makes provision for the retention and or investigation of non-designated heritage asset. Policy PLP 35 .2 that developers should conserve those element [of a site] which contribute to their [its] significance and "When in situ preservation is not justified, the developer will be required to make adequate provision for excavation and recording before or during development.". The Publication Draft also requires understanding of an asset, 14.11 and 14.15, and an understanding of the development of the landscape, 14.15.

Recommended Planning Condition

The WYAAS recommend that recommend that the application should be modified to retain the most significant multi-storey mill buildings.

Should permission be granted Greenside Mill should be subject to an appropriate level of archaeological and architectural recording prior to demolition and conversion. This work can be secured by the attachment of a suitable condition to any grant of planning permission awarded.



In accordance with the Department of the Environment's Circular 11/95, we recommend that the condition be worded as follows:

"No demolition or development to take place within the area indicated until the applicant, or their agents or successors in title, has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological & architectural recording. This recording must be carried out by an appropriately qualified and experienced archaeological consultant or organisation, in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority."

Or, as an alternative to the above model condition which was first introduced in 1990, the following condition is suggested by Historic England in their Historic Environment Good Practice Advice, Planning Note 2: Managing Significance in Decision-Taking in the Historic Environment, 2015 paragraph 37:

No demolition/development shall take place/commence until a written scheme of archaeological investigation (WSI) has been [submitted to and] approved by the local planning authority in writing. For land that is included within the WSI, no demolition/development shall take place other than in accordance with the agreed WSI, which shall include the statement of significance and research objectives, and

- The programme and methodology of site investigation and recording and the nomination of a competent person(s) or organisation to undertake the agreed works*
- The programme for post-investigation assessment and subsequent analysis, publication & dissemination and deposition of resulting material. This part of the condition shall not be discharged until these elements have been fulfilled in accordance with the programme set out in the WSI*

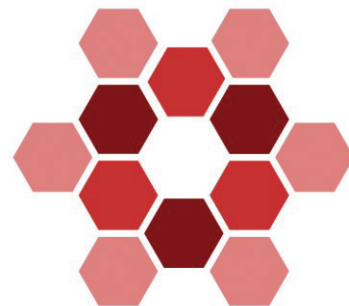
Detail of Archaeological Investigation

Details of the necessary archaeological work, in the form of a specification, will be provided to the developer on written request, by the WY Archaeology Advisory Service in our capacity as Kirklees Planning Department's advisors on archaeological matters. The WY Archaeology Advisory Service will also be responsible for monitoring the work of the archaeological contractor commissioned by the developer to undertake this work, on behalf of the Planning Authority.

The WY Archaeology Advisory Service can also provide a list of archaeological contractors who may be available to tender for the work. In order to aid the developer to meet the requirements of the above condition I would suggest that it might be helpful to add the following as a note to the planning permission:

"For further information please contact: David Hunter, West Yorkshire Archaeology Advisory Service: 01135350300."

We would strongly suggest that the developer be advised that a reasonable period of time for the execution of the necessary archaeological work **must** be allowed for within the overall site



timetable. Any commencement of work on site prior to the approval and implementation of an archaeological specification, and/or any failure to schedule work properly that results in inadequate archaeological recording, should be deemed by the Planning Department to be a breach of the planning condition.

Copy of decision notice required? Yes

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