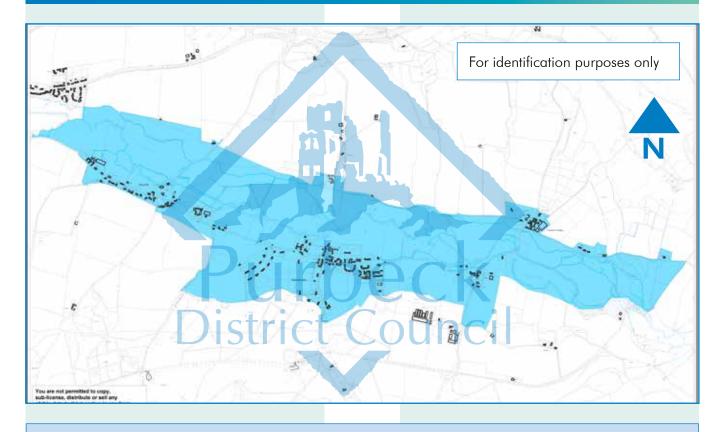
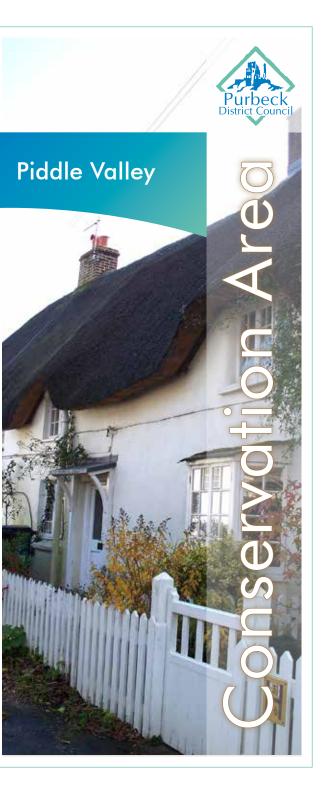


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## Piddle Valley Conservation Area



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Piddle Valley Conservation Area was first designated during 1987 and was partly made up of preexisting Conservation Areas at Briantspuddle and Affpuddle. Changes were made to the boundary during 2018.

### Special historic and architectural interest of **Piddle Valley Conservation Area**



The conservation area incorporates a ribbon of four small rural settlements which overlook the former watermeadows laid out along the River Piddle. Development within the Conservation Area is strongly characterised by

use of thatch with rendered cob or block walls in vernacular or 'mock' vernacular arts and crafts style. Buildings associated with Sir Ernest Debenham's Bladen Farms Ltd are of particular local interest.

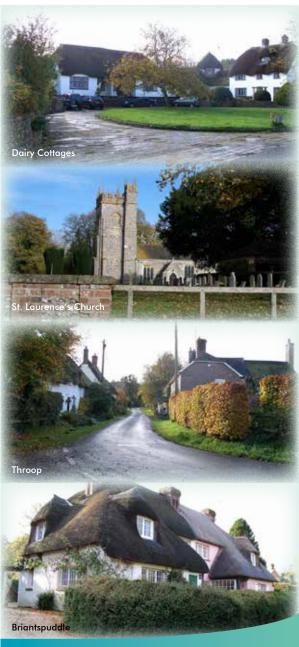
### **About Conservation Areas**

While bringing some controls over permitted development rights the object of designation is not to prohibit change or development but rather to manage its quality and sensitivity. This means that a high priority is given to securing design guality both within and also around Conservation Areas. For details of the current regulations applicable within Conservation Areas see the District Council's website or general Conservation Areas leaflet. The Local Authority is happy to provide pre-application advice in regard to specifc development proposals.

### **Conservation Area Character Appraisal**

If you are considering making an alteration to a property, or developing land located within or around conservation area boundary, the adopted character appraisal document is an essential point of reference. The purpose of the appraisal is:

- 1. to provide an in depth analysis of character which will inform both planning and development management at the Local Authority,
- 2. to assist property owners and their agents in the formulation of sensitive development proposals,
- 3. to assist property owners and their agents in execution of sensitive alterations allowed under permitted development rights, and
- 4. to identify potential for enhancement works within the Conservation Area.



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Cover: Briantspuddle cottages