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### Wakefield

#### Client

Wakefield City Metropolitan District Council

#### Location

Wakefield

#### Services Provided

Historic Buildings

#### Date of Completion

March 2007

#### Key Issues

Conservation Area Character Appraisal

Recommendations for proposed boundary amendments and possible areas for enhancement



The historic buildings team undertook four conservation area appraisals for Wakefield City Metropolitan District Council.

Wakefield was a centre of the cloth trade, with a number of textile mills grouped around the River Calder. Mining also played its part in the area and in common with most industrial areas Wakefield suffered many years of decline with the loss of the coal and textile industries in the 1970s and 1980s.

The four conservation areas offered a varied picture of the city consisting of contrasting street characters with

in many cases several impressive 18th and 19th century properties facing large 1960s developments.

The appraisal process involved the identification of listed buildings, other significant buildings, important views, trees and open spaces. The team also investigated possible boundary amendments and made recommendations for both statutory and local listing.

The findings led to a number of proposed boundary amendments and recommendations for several buildings to be locally listed. Five statutory listings were also recommended, including the 1879 Clayton Hospital Building.

CgMs were expressly thanked by the Council for their 'hard diligent and accurate work carried out in a very professional manner'.



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