



In its fourth year, the Heritage at Risk Register now includes grade I and II\* listed buildings, listed places of worship, scheduled monuments, registered parks and gardens, registered battlefields, protected wreck sites and conservation areas known to be at risk as a result of neglect, decay or inappropriate development. This year, for the first time, we have published a list of 'priority sites': important heritage at risk sites where we will focus our resources to secure their futures.

We continue to focus on our themes, which we have chosen for their contribution to Yorkshire's distinctive character. Industrial heritage features strongly, chiming in with this year's national initiative. In the last year we have been able to remove 50 sites from the Register and we offered 13 grants totalling £687,000. This year we added 54 places of worship that are known to be in poor or very bad condition, increasing the scope of the Register to give an even fuller picture of the state of our heritage.

Good progress is being made in tackling **the Industrial Remains of the Dales**. Work is underway to consolidate key features of the lead mines on Grassington Moor. Our next priority is the lead complex at Keld Heads. In current market conditions there is little developer-led investment in **the Textile Industry of the West Riding**. However, English Heritage has supported repair of the chimney at Shaw Lodge Mills, Halifax. Our current focus is on the precious but fragile First White Cloth Hall, Leeds, revealed last year after demolition of later structures, in time for its 300th birthday in 2011. We are also building on the recent study showing how Haworth could be enhanced to provide a world-class visitor experience.

Two of our themes focus on South Yorkshire. We have been able to support the restoration of Joel's Yard, Sheffield, one of the important **Metal Trades Buildings**, to provide live/work units. But although the market has rescued sites over the last decade, others remain empty and increasingly vulnerable. Our priority is to promote the rescue of Leah's Yard, Cambridge Street, Sheffield, a long-hidden courtyard in the heart of the city centre. The major success with **the Designed Landscapes** has been the transformation of the Georgian parkland of Bretton Hall, home to the Yorkshire

Sculpture Park. Prompted by inclusion on our Register, a project was developed to restore the margins of the ornamental lakes, which are once again the focus of views across the park, reflecting new sculptures, historic bridges and follies.

The North York Moors National Park Authority has made great progress over the past year on **the Ancient Landscapes of Wolds and Moors**. Thirty barrows, cairns and other sites have been tackled and removed from the Register, through the Monument Management Scheme that we fund. Next year we will be working with the Vivat Trust to secure the restoration of Whorlton Castle. We will also be focusing on the Birdsall Estate, to address its collection of earthwork monuments on the Wolds.

A major success with **Places of Worship** has been the completion of a 3 year project to restore the former church of St Margaret, Leeds, as a place of worship and as the base for 'Left Bank Leeds', an arts and community organisation. Its re-opening was celebrated with a concert by patron Corinne Bailey Rae. We have also helped to establish a Support Officer who will work with Doncaster Minster and our other Greater Parish Churches. Our work on **Battlefields** has concentrated on Towton Moor, although we now have detailed studies for each site and an overarching strategy. Interpretation boards have been installed, public access improved and a code of conduct has been agreed to control metal-detecting. We will continue to work with the Friends and landowner at Towton, developing a model for battlefield management.

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**YORKSHIRE AND THE HUMBER**

## BUILDINGS AT RISK

- Nationally, 3.0% of grade I and II\* listed buildings are at risk. In Yorkshire and the Humber this rises to 4.2%, representing 93 sites.
- 7 sites have been removed from the 2010 Register; but 2 sites have been added.
- 58% of entries (102 buildings) on the baseline 1999 Register for Yorkshire and the Humber have been removed as their futures have been secured, compared to the national figure of 53% (757 buildings).
- Nationally, £5.2m was offered to 71 sites on the Register during 2010/11. In Yorkshire and the Humber we awarded grants totalling £619k to 9 sites.
- 54 listed places of worship have been added to our Register this year. We estimate the cost of repairing these buildings is £9.3m.

## SCHEDULED MONUMENTS

- 16.9% (3,339) of England's 19,748 scheduled monuments are at risk, compared to 26.7% (701 sites) in Yorkshire and the Humber.
- In Yorkshire and the Humber, 37 sites have been removed from the 2010 Register; but 5 sites have been added.
- 8.7% of entries (63 sites) on the baseline 2009 Register for Yorkshire and the Humber have been removed due to positive reasons, compared to the national figure of 11.9% (399 sites).
- Arable ploughing and unrestricted plant, scrub or tree growth account for nearly two thirds of sites at risk nationally. The proportion is similar in Yorkshire and the Humber.
- Nationally, 82% of scheduled monuments at risk are in private ownership, this rises to 88% in Yorkshire and the Humber.
- Of the £357k offered by English Heritage to owners of at risk scheduled monuments in 2010/11, £68k was to 4 sites in Yorkshire and the Humber.

## REGISTERED PARKS AND GARDENS

- 103 of England's 1,610 registered parks and gardens are at risk, an increase from 6.2% (99) in 2010 to 6.4% this year. In Yorkshire and the Humber, 12 of our 117 sites are at risk (10.3%).
- Nationally, 6 sites have been added and 2 removed from the 2010 Register. In Yorkshire and the Humber, 1 site has been added and 1 removed.

## REGISTERED BATTLEFIELDS

- Of the 43 registered battlefields in England, 6 are at risk, 2 less than the 2008 baseline.
- Of the 7 registered battlefields in Yorkshire and the Humber, 4 are at risk, this is unchanged since 2008.

## PROTECTED WRECK SITES

- Of the 46 protected wreck sites off England's coast, 7 are at risk, 3 less than the 2008 baseline. Yorkshire and the Humber's 1 protected wreck site is not at risk.

## CONSERVATION AREAS

- 288 local planning authorities (86%) have taken part in the national survey of conservation areas, of which 21 are in Yorkshire and the Humber. This is 91% of our local planning authorities.
- We now have information on the condition of 7,841 of England's 9,600 designated conservation areas and 516 (6.6%) are at risk.
- Of the 843 conservation areas surveyed in Yorkshire and the Humber, 52 (6.2%) are at risk.



**CHURCH OF ST MARGARET OF ANTIOCH  
(LEFT BANK LEEDS)**

Corinne Bailey Rae performing at the newly re-opened church, now also used as an arts and community space as well as a place of worship. It was restored through the concerted efforts of the local community, supported by large Repair Grant for Places of Worship.

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## IN YORKSHIRE AND THE HUMBER:

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## INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE

Britain was the world's first industrial nation and has a wealth of industrial heritage but many industrial sites have been lost or are at risk due to functional redundancy. Our survey has shown that the percentage of listed industrial buildings at risk is three times greater than the national average for listed buildings at risk.

The conservation of industrial sites can pose considerable challenges. However, industrial sites often have great potential for re-use. Our research shows that the best way of saving industrial buildings is, where possible, to find an adaptive new use. We know this isn't easy, and is not always possible, but we hope those who own or are thinking of developing an industrial building will find our new web pages an invaluable source of information.

Voluntary groups and owners have saved a number of key industrial sites, often sites which contain working machinery. However, research has shown that many of these groups need support to encourage more and younger members to achieve the rescue of the site.

Building preservation trusts can provide the answer for industrial buildings where there is no apparent commercial solution by repairing the site and then selling it, or retaining and letting the space.

### What we know

- 4% of listed buildings and scheduled monuments are industrial
- Nationally there are proportionally more grade II\* industrial listed buildings than grade II (4.6% compared to 4.4%)
- 10.6% of industrial grade I and II\* listed buildings are at risk, making industrial buildings over three times more likely to be at risk than the national average for grade I and II\* listed buildings
- The average estimated conservation deficit (cost of repair in excess of the end value) of industrial buildings at risk is twice that of non-industrial buildings at risk
- About 10% of industrial buildings at risk are economic to repair, compared to 13% of non-industrial buildings at risk
- Approximately 40% of industrial buildings at risk are capable of beneficial use, compared to 44% of non-industrial buildings at risk
- 10.9% of industrial scheduled monuments are at risk, making industrial scheduled monuments less likely to be at risk than the national average for scheduled monuments
- 3% of conservation areas were designated because of their industrial significance
- Industrial conservation areas in the North West and West Midlands are over twice as likely to be at risk than the national average
- In the last 10 years, English Heritage has offered grants totalling £25m to industrial sites



### SHAW LODGE MILL, HALIFAX

The 67 metre chimney at Shaw Lodge Mills is a prominent feature of the Halifax skyline, whilst not on the Heritage at Risk Register, the structure was in need of repair. We are grant-aiding replacement of the rusting iron bands and re-pointing to ensure the future of the structure. New uses for the chimney are being looked into at the moment; one possible idea is an innovative scheme to use the chimney as a climbing wall which would also provide a sustainable new use for the structure.

### What are we doing?

- Providing new guidance for owners on maintaining vacant historic buildings.
- Publishing a developers' portal on the English Heritage website where advice for all types of heritage asset including industrial sites can be found.
- Funding a new Industrial Heritage Support Officer, who will build capacity for industrial museums.
- Publishing an industrial themed issue of Conservation Bulletin in October 2011.
- Supporting a new Architectural Heritage Fund grant scheme which aims to encourage local groups to take on industrial buildings.
- Publishing an updated Stopping the Rot: a guide to enforcement action to save historic buildings.
- Using the National Heritage Protection Programme (2011-2015) to shape an industrial designation programme.

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If you are a developer, member of a building preservation trust, work in a local authority, own a visitor attraction or have an interest in England's industrial heritage, visit our website for more information:

[www.english-heritage.org.uk/industrial-heritage-at-risk](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/industrial-heritage-at-risk)

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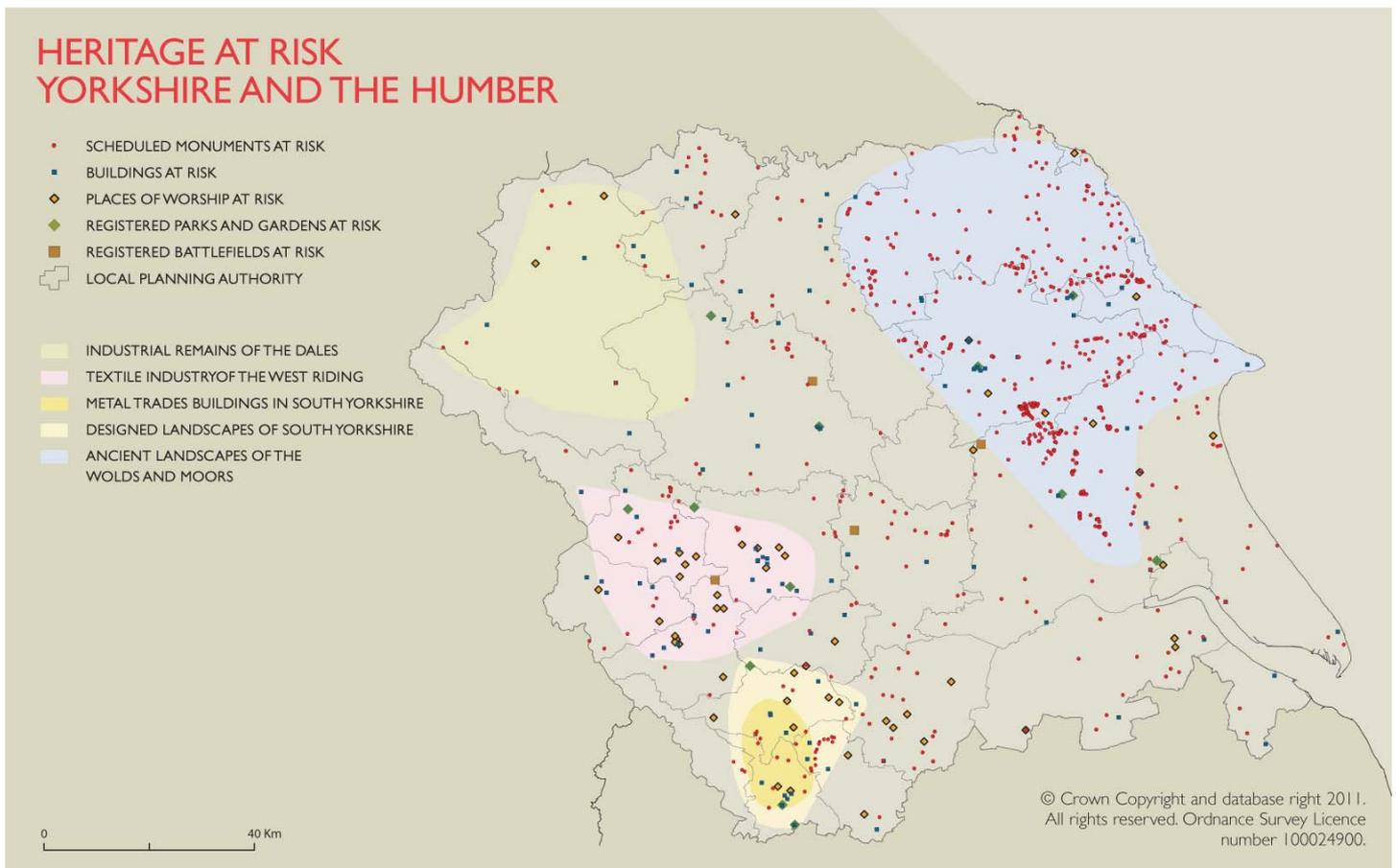
## PRIORITY SITES

- Barden Church, Barden, Yorkshire Dales National Park
- Battle of Towton, Lead / Saxton with Scarthingwell / Towton, Selby, North Yorkshire
- Birdsall Estate (incl. 16 scheduled monuments at risk), Birdsall Wold, Ryedale, North Yorkshire
- First Leeds White Cloth Hall, 98-101 (consec) Kirkgate, Leeds, West Yorkshire
- Haworth Conservation Area, Bradford, West Yorkshire
- Keld Heads lead smeltmill and mine complex, Wensley, Richmondshire, North Yorkshire
- Kirklees Park Farm buildings (incl. Double aisled barn to north west of Kirklees Priory Gatehouse, Home Farm (Building No. 6), Kirklees Priory Gatehouse, L-shaped Aisled Barn, and the Malthouse) Brighouse, Calderdale, West Yorkshire
- Leah's Yard, 20-22 Cambridge Street, Sheffield, South Yorkshire
- Grassington Moor (multi-period lead mines and processing works and 20th century barytes mill), Grassington, Yorkshire Dales National Park
- Whorlton Castle (gatehouse and ruins of undercroft), Castle Bank, Whorlton, North York Moors National Park

## COVER IMAGE:

Keld Heads lead smeltmill and mine complex, Wensley, Richmondshire, Scheduled Monument at Risk and Priority Site

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