



The east Rope Walk, at Job Gould's west of England Twine Works, West Coker

For the first time, we've compared all sites on the Heritage at Risk Register – from houses to hillforts – to help us better understand which types of site are most commonly at risk. There are things that make each region special, from the coastal defence sites in the South East to the wind and water mills in the East of England that, once gone, will mean a sense that region's character is lost too. Our local Heritage at Risk teams strive, with support from owners, funders and others, to find solutions for these sites.

Nationally ancient burial mounds known as barrows make up 15.6% of the 2015 Register (853 entries). However, since 2014, we've reduced the number of these barrows 'at risk' by over 130, working with our local teams, owners and, in particular, Natural England, to find and implement management solutions.

There are fewer entries on the Register in 2015 than in 2014 and thanks to concerted efforts of our teams with local and national partners and funders, a third of all sites that were at risk in 2010 have been rescued. Building on this success, we aim to take a further 750 sites off the Register by 2018.

Despite over a 100 places of worship being removed from the



Holy Trinity Methodist Church, Portsmouth

2014 Register, overall the number of entries has risen to 930. To help address this, we continue to fund diocesan Support Officers who play a key role in helping parishes to manage their buildings, plan for the future and apply for grant aid. We also continue to provide specialist advice to the Heritage Lottery Fund on applications for Grants for Places of Worship.

However, whilst there are fewer buildings and structures on the Register than ever before, it's getting more expensive to save them. On average, it costs £501k more to repair a building than its eventual end value. The estimated difference between the amount it would cost to repair all buildings on the Register to a minimal standard, and their eventual end value has risen by £10m since 2010. We will continue to focus our resources on those sites where we can make the biggest difference.

Some 135 entries were taken off the 2014 Register, thanks to funding from Natural England. We will be encouraging owners of archaeological sites to apply for grants from the new Countryside Stewardship scheme.

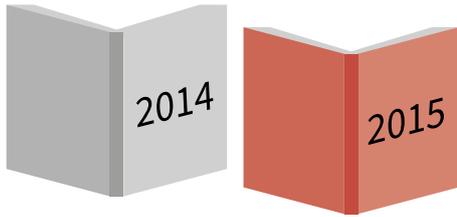
Through advising funders on which sites are most at risk, and directing our own grant aid where other funders cannot, we will continue to reduce heritage at risk.



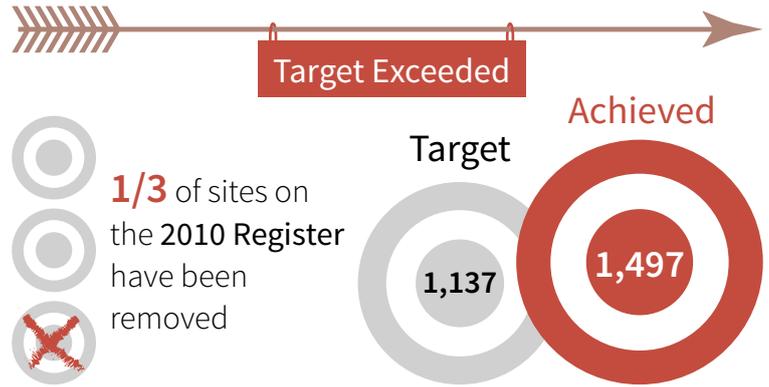
The Keep, Appleby Castle, Eden

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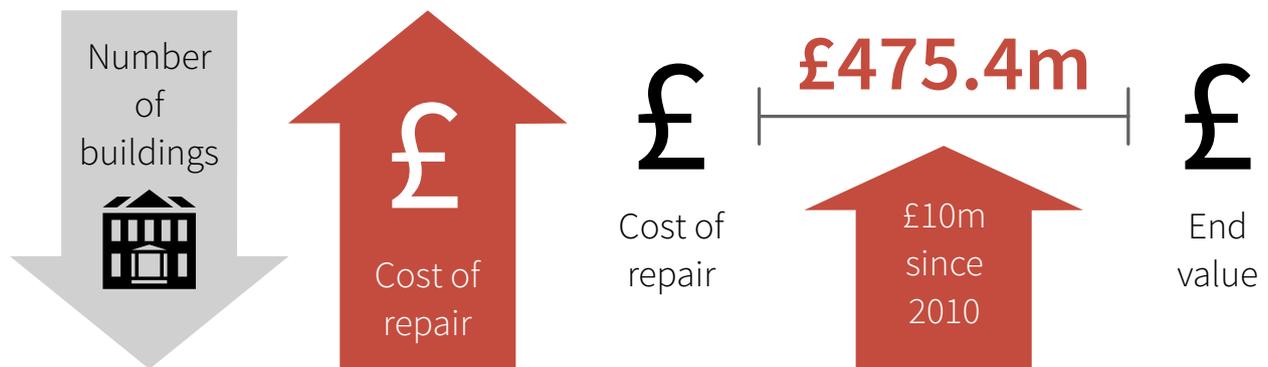
604 assets were removed from the 2014 Register, however 327 have been added



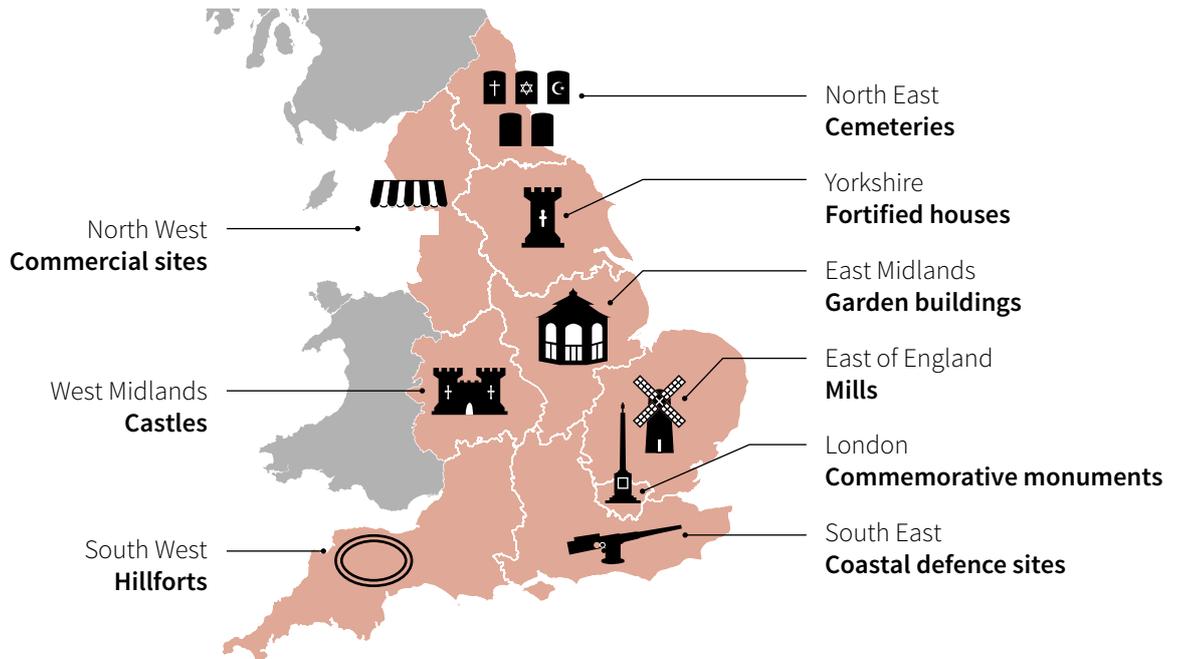
There are **5,534** designated assets on the 2015 Register



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