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OLDHAM LOCAL LIST – SADDLEWORTH NORTH

Historical Overview of Saddleworth

The Saddleworth area has a rich history of human occupation that stems from at least the 1st century when the Roman military constructed a road from Chester to York and established a fort at Castleshaw to defend and patrol the local section of the road. There are numerous place names derived from Celtic and Anglian dialects, along with the discovery of flint arrowheads and Viking jewellery

The first documentary reference to Saddleworth appears in the Domesday Survey of 1086, where it is referred to as 'Thoac', which may be translated from Old English to mean 'land of the King in Euvicsire' (Yorkshire). The steep slopes and the acidic soils of the region, however, have never been particularly conducive to intensive farming and settlement in Saddleworth was probably characterised by isolated farms and hamlets scattered across the high ground throughout the medieval period. Many of the occupants are likely to have supplemented income from farming with domestic-based textile manufacturing. Several small, water-powered textile mills had been established in Saddleworth by the end of the 18th century, but these were increasingly replaced by larger factories as textile production became a vital element of the local economy. The rapid expansion of the textile industry was stimulated by improved transport links, including the Huddersfield Narrow Canal that was completed in 1811 to connect Huddersfield with Stalybridge via Saddleworth, and railway along the same route was opened in 1848.

Unlike the majority of the Oldham Metropolitan Borough, where the industrial architecture was generally constructed from Accrington redbrick, Saddleworth's textiles mills and supporting infrastructure was made from the local millstone grit, affording the buildings with a distinct appearance locally.

Candidates for Local Listing in Saddleworth North

Property Name and Photograph	Hollins Farm – HER 138.1.0 
Property Address	Hollins Road, Lees, Oldham, OL4 3PP
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Hollins House is a pre-1848 property, although little further information on the house is available. The building is identified as 'Hollins' on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:10,560 map of 1848. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building is a rare example of a farmhouse in the local vernacular. <i>Local Interest:</i> Hollins is one of the oldest surviving buildings in the locale. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building retains a positive aesthetic value arising from the simplicity of the built form, type and use of elevation materials and arrangement of elevation openings. It contributes positively to the

	appearance of the wider area, and the use of stonework is in contrast to the predominant use of red brick including for the modern housing that now surrounds it to the north and east. <i>Rarity Value:</i> The farm complex and its open within-curtilage setting is a rare surviving feature in this locality that provides a sense of the original agricultural character of the area. <i>Landmark Value:</i> Hollins is a notable building of the local streetscape as it contrasts in form and materials with the surrounding later buildings and reflect the pre-industrial landscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	8 Slack Hall – HER 5598.1.0 
Property Address	8 Slack Hall, off Thorpe Lane, Austerlands, Oldham, OL4 3QE
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The building is thought to be of a mid-18th century date, but incorporating parts that are probably of 17th century origin. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A two-bay, two-storey property with an earlier wing at rear. The building features hammer-dressed watershot stone with graduated stone slate roof. Door with square cut surround to left. 3 and 6-light windows and 4 and 6-light first floor windows, all with recessed chamfered mullions. Ridge chimney stack. Rear has a 4 and 5-light double chamfered cavetto moulded mullion 17th century window. <i>Local Interest:</i> One of a small group of buildings that were probably intended originally as domestic workshops, reflecting the importance of the local textile industry. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality and historic character of the area and reflects the pre-industrial landscape.

	<i>Group Value:</i> Good set of 18th-century buildings characterised by long rows of mullion windows. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The property is a notable building of the local streetscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	10, 12 and 14 Slack Hall – HER 5613.1.0 
Property Address	10, 12 and 14 Slack Hall, off Thorpe Lane, Austerlands, Oldham, OL4 3QE
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A group of three houses thought to be of a mid-18th century date. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> 3 houses. Late 18th century. Hammer-dressed watershot stone with graduated stone-slate roof. Double-depth plan with 2 bays and 2 storeys. Total of 4 doors, 2 with square-cut surrounds. 6 and 4-light ground floor and 6 and 5-light first floor windows all with recessed flat-faced stone mullions. Brick chimney stack. 1, 2 and 3-light windows to gables and rear which has quoins and a blocked taking-in door. De-listed. <i>Local Interest:</i> One of a small group of buildings that were probably intended originally as domestic workshops, reflecting the importance of the local textile industry. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality and historic character of the area and reflects the pre-industrial landscape.

	<i>Group Value:</i> Good set of 18th century buildings characterised by long rows of mullion windows. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The property is a notable building of the local streetscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Milestone – HER 18945.1.0 
Property Address	Huddersfield Road, Austerlands, Oldham (NGR 396499 405643)
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The milestone was installed in 1894 and formed part of the Wakefield & Austerlands Turnpike Trust. <i>Local Interest:</i> The milestone acts as a reminder of the historic character of Huddersfield Road.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The milestone makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of Huddersfield Road. <i>Group Value:</i> The milestone has a group value with other surviving milestones and infrastructure associated with the Wakefield & Austerlands Turnpike Trust. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The milestone was designed to act as a landmark for travellers, a function that it continues to fulfil.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Higher Thorpe Farm – HER 5944.1.0 
Property Address	Thorpe Lane, Scouthead, Oldham, OL4 3SD
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A form of laithe house dating to the late 18th / early 19th century; the building is shown on maps dating to 1822 and 1851. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A stone-built house of two storeys with a slate roof and gable chimneys. The west elevation features three sash windows and door with dressed surround. The east elevation has two three-light windows with recessed flat-faced mullions on each floor. There is a blocked taking-in door in the south gable. Attached outbuilding to the south has a byre door and arched barn door, both with dressed surround, and two large round openings into the loft. The south gable has three round ventilation holes with stone surrounds and taking-in door. <i>Local Interest:</i> The farm provides a reminder of the historic importance of agriculture to the local economy.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> Higher Thorpe Farm makes a positive contribution to the rural aesthetic quality and historic character of Scouthead. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a group value with other surviving historic farm buildings in the locale. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The farm is a notable historic feature of the local rural landscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Load Hill Farmhouse – HER 5986.1.0 
Property Address	Platting Road, Lydgate, Oldham, OL4 4JW
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The farm can be traced back to 1636 when Sir John Ramsden let land, common waste, and moorland to Ralph and Robert Whitehead. The present building is mostly an 18th-century farmhouse, but some 17th-century fabric. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The stone-built farmhouse is of two storeys with an ‘L’-shaped plan form and stone slate roof with gables. The built form has two principal elements but all appearing as a single built form. The setting contains two separate free-standing ancillary buildings on the north side of the yard with the same stone roofs and stonework elevations as the principal building. The setting also includes various yard, pen and field boundary walls in the same stone as the building and, in the vicinity of the yard, these are variously attached to the different buildings. <i>Local Interest:</i> The farm provides a reminder of the historic importance of agriculture to the local economy. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The principal building together with other buildings and structures making up this farm complex make a highly positive contribution to the rural aesthetic quality and historic character of Lydgate. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a group value with other surviving historic farm buildings in the locale.

	<i>Landmark Value;</i> The farm is a notable feature of the rural landscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Home Guard Storage Buildings – HER 15916.1.0 
Property Address	Oldham Road, Scouthead, Oldham, OL4 3RX
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> These former Home Guard storage buildings, now converted to agricultural use, are thought to be rare survivor of such built form giving a particular insight to such structures directly associated with the Second World War war-effort. The structures lie in the same field as the site of a pillbox. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> Originally two single-storey structures, these were joined together an intermediate range of breeze block construction in the late 20th century. These buildings are flat roofed and the southern of the two is smaller. They were possibly separate structures because one was used to store munitions.

	<i>Local Interest:</i> The structures lie in the same field as the site of a pillbox. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building was built at a time of scarce resources and to a highly utilitarian not intended to be aesthetically pleasing. The aesthetic value is limited and has been compromised by more recent change although the original design ethic remains evident. <i>Rarity Value:</i> A rare extant example of buildings associated with the defence of Britain in the 1940s. <i>Group Value:</i> The buildings have a strong group value with the adjacent site of a pill box. <i>Landmark Value;</i> The building is a notable feature of the rural landscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	The Old Original – HER 6036.1.0 
Property Address	Thurston Clough Road, Scouthead, Oldham, OL4 3RX
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A public house that is shown on a township plan of 1822 and on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 6": 1 mile map of 1850. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> Stone built with modern windows, rendered exterior and roof. <i>Local Interest:</i> Listed in directories as an inn from 1871 but the decorated façade of the pub makes reference to being established in 1721. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The overall building has positive aesthetic value and makes an important contribution to the character and appearance of Doctor Lane Head. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The pub lies at the heart of the local community and has long served the local area.

	<i>Group Value:</i> The public house has a group value with other nearby similarly detailed buildings that retain their exposed stonework elevations. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The public house is a notable historic feature of Doctor Lane Head.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	High Moor Cottage – HER 6035.1.0 
Property Address	3 Back Lane, Scouthead, Oldham, OL4 3RX
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Shown of a township survey of 1822 and on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:10,560 map of 1854. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A stone-built, two-storey cottage with a slate roof. The principal elevation has a notable first floor, ten-light window with flat-faced mullions and a central king mullion on the line of the original internal party wall. The ground floor of the principal elevation now has a small, off-centre, pitched roofed porch with front door and a two-light window on its left and four-light window to its right both with the same dressed stone window surrounds as on the first floor. The west side with its gable is the same stone at the principal frontage and has two windows with stone surrounds and mullions.

	<i>Local Interest:</i> One of a small group of buildings that were probably intended originally as domestic workshops, reflecting the importance of the local textile industry. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building has positive aesthetic value and makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of Scouthead. <i>Group Value:</i> The cottage has a group value with other nearby similarly detailed buildings and the neighbouring Old Original public house. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The building is a notable historic feature of Doctor Lane Head.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Milestone – HER 18946.1.0 
Property Address	Oldham Road (A62), Wall Hill, Oldham (NGR 397846 406248)

Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A milestone that formed part of the Wakefield & Austerlands Turnpike Trust. Dates to 1894. <i>Local Interest:</i> The milestone acts as a reminder of the historic character of Huddersfield Road. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The milestone makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of Huddersfield Road. <i>Group Value:</i> The milestone has a group value with other surviving milestones and infrastructure associated with the Wakefield & Austerlands Turnpike Trust. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The milestone was designed to act as a landmark for travellers, a function that it continues to fulfil.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	New Inn Farm – HER 6049.1.0 
Property Address	Thurston Clough Road, Oldham, OL4 3RX
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Former alehouse with Bills of Sale dating back to 1733. The building is shown on a township plan of 1822. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A stone-built, two-storey farmhouse with a graduated stone slate roof. It comprises three main components: the central part has three-light window with recess cavetto mullion on the first floor and a two-light window with flat-faced mullion set within a blocked-up doorway; an extension to the west has four- and two-light windows on the first floor and a two-light window is cut into an earlier door; and an extension to the east. <i>Local Interest:</i> The farm provides a reminder of the historic importance of agriculture to the local economy. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> Despite more recent changes the building retains an over-riding and strong sense of its original/historic design and appearance. As such it makes a positive contribution in its own right and to its wider setting.

	<i>Landmark Value:</i> The building is a notable historic feature of Thurston Clough Road.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Delph Station – HER 172.1.0 
Property Address	Delph New Road, Oldham, OL3 5EF
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The station was opened on 1st September 1851 as the terminus of branch from LNWR at Uppermill. The station closed on 2nd May 1955. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The station building and goods shed to its south are both stone-built and are the remains of a larger complex of buildings associated with this railway terminus shown clearly on the Ordnance Survey map of 1906. The station building is presented as a single-storey building although the eastern end has some intentional attic accommodation identified externally by a pointed arched headed window in a gable. The stonework includes various simple architectural details including exaggerated sloped cills, expressed window surrounds, window and door head-mouldings and window mullions and transoms.

	<i>Local Interest:</i> In 1960, the Royal Train, carrying the Queen Mother, stopped at Delph station for an overnight stay. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The station building has much aesthetic value and makes a positive contribution to the wider townscape. <i>Group Value:</i> the former station has a group value with other surviving remnants of the former railway. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The former station can be expected to have communal value. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The building is a notable historic feature of Delph New Road.
Score	9

Property Name	The Old Sunday School – HER 18966.1.0 
Property Address	Hill End Road, Delph, Oldham, OL3 5JA
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Erected in 1884 to a design by A. Banks of Oldham. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The original building is shown to have facing stonework, large six-aperture windows with stone mullions, heads and jambs with arched window heads and stone detailing. Other materials include a slate roof with bespoke stone detailing along the parapets and arched door openings on the principle façade. The building is a semi-detached structure, positioned adjacent to a row of stone cottages set in a partially rural and residential location surrounded by a wider mixture of traditional stone terraced and semi-detached dwellings that make up Delph village. <i>Local Interest:</i> The chapel was erected by local Wesleyans as a replacement for the first school house in Delph of 1824.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a very positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of Hill End Road. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a strong group value with the adjacent Independent Chapel. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The former Sunday School is a predominant feature of Delph, and features as such in a pre-1906 photograph taken from Knott Hill.
Score	10

Property Name and Photograph	The Swan Inn – HER 18963.1.0 
Property Address	21 King Street, Delph, Oldham, OL3 5DL
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A large, three-storey, stone-built public house. The earliest direct reference to the pub dates to 1807, when the licence was held by James Lawton, a textile manufacturer and dealer. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building is in coursed rusticated stonework other than where the same type of stone has been more smoothly dressed for limited architectural features such as window and door surrounds, window mullions and quoin stones. <i>Local Interest:</i> The first and second floors of the building are lit by 'loomshop windows', and it seems likely that Lawton was spinning cotton on the upper floors of the pub in the early 19th century.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the Delph Conservation Area. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The pub lies at the heart of the local community and has served generations of Delph residents, contributing to their sense of place. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The Swan occupies a prominent location at the junction of Gartside Street with King Street in the heart of Delph.
Score	10

Property Name and Photograph	Former Bank – HER 18967.1.0 
Property Address	15 King Street, Delph, Oldham, OL3 3DL
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A former bank identified on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:2500 map of 1894. It remained in use as a bank, latter as a branch of the Nat West, until 2018. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building provides an interesting example of a late 19th-century provincial bank, incorporating some impressive architectural detailing and embellishment.

	<i>Local Interest:</i> Opening a bank in Delph demonstrates strong confidence in the prosperity of the area during the later 19th century, as well as meeting the banking needs of businesses and residents. This was a time when local retail banking was increasing on local high streets. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the Delph Conservation Area. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The bank served the local community for many years before being converted to a new use and could be expected to have some communal value. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The building occupies a prominent location on the junction of Church Street with King Street.
Score	10

Property Name and Photograph	Millgate Arts Centre – HER 18968.1.0 
Property Address	Stoneswood Road, Delph, Saddleworth, Oldham, OL3 5JG
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The building presently hosts the Millgate Arts Centre but originated in the 1880s as a Co-operative store. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building has two principal elements which, seen from Millgate Street, consist of the two storey shop premises on the junction and an abutting three storey building attached to their southern end. Seen from Stoneswood Road, the slope in the road diminishes the apparent scale of the buildings such that the shop reads increasingly as single storey and the other element as two storey. Impressively large windows, ornate clock. <i>Local Interest;</i> The building also hosts meetings of the Delph Community Association. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building has aesthetic value in its own right and in terms of the positive contribution it makes to makes the wider street scene.

	<i>Social / Communal value:</i> The building has served the local community for many years originally as a Co-operative before being converted to the present arts centre. It could reasonably, therefore, be expected to have some communal value. <i>Landmark Value:</i> Highly visible on the street scene. Well-known and used by the local community. The building is a key landmark central to the village of Delph, with the clock tower being one of the proudest features.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Former Golden Fleece – HER 18969.1.0 
Property Address	41 Oldham Road, Denshaw, Oldham, OL3 5SS
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The Golden Fleece was opened in c 1800 on the new Oldham to Ripponden turnpike, and Francis Davenport is listed amongst the licensees who attended the 1803 sessions. The Golden Fleece Inn is marked on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:10,560 map of 1854. The building is also identified as the Golden Fleece (PH), with three adjoining cottages to the south on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:2500 map of 1895. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building takes a rectangular plan form, is of two storeys and a gable roof. It is of stone construction. The front elevation contains a centrally placed entrance with an embellished stone surround and a stone plaque above that is engraved 'Golden Fleece'. <i>Local Interest:</i> As a pub on the turnpike road, the Golden Fleece offered a social focal point for both villagers and travellers, contributing to local social cohesion and serving as a place for rest, conversation, and hospitality in a rural setting.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the historic character and appearance of the area. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The pub has served generations of local residents for more than two centuries, contributing to their sense of place. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The building is a notable historic feature of this section of Oldham Road.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	White House – HER 18970.1.0 
Property Address	1 Rochdale Road, Denshaw, Oldham, OL3 5SE
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Shown on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:10,560 map of 1854. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A detached stone-built house of symmetrical Georgian design. The house is in the local vernacular with a slate roof and elevations principally in coursed rusticated stonework and with more smoothly dressed matching stone used for limited architectural features including window and door surrounds and eaves corbels supporting a slightly projecting cornice/gutter feature. <i>Local Interest:</i> The White House is a vernacular stone-built property typical of Denshaw's traditional architecture.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The White House makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the Denshaw Conservation Area. <i>Group Value:</i> White House has a group value with the Junction Inn on the opposite side of Rochdale Road and the Grade II listed buildings at the junction of Ripponden Road. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The building is a notable historic feature occupying a prominent location overlooking a busy intersection of several key thoroughfares, forming a 'gateway' to Rochdale Road.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Junction Inn – HER 18971.1.0 
Property Address	2 Rochdale Road, Denshaw, Oldham, OL3 5SE
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A advertisement in the <i>Manchester Mercury</i> for 27 January 1807 refers to a plot of land in Denshaw together with 'a newly erected capital messuage or mansion house (built of stone) intended for a tavern, and known by the name of the Junction Inn with the fixtures therein...with capital stabling for 16 horses, barn and other offices...' It was also noted that a new turnpike road from Rochdale to Huddersfield was to pass the Junction Tavern. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> An impressive, detached, two-storey, stone-built inn dating to the early 19th century. The principal elevation the overall impression of being symmetrical about a central built form that stands slightly forward of two wings. <i>Local Interest:</i> The inn provides a reminder of the importance of Denshaw as a staging route on the turnpike road.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The Junction Inn makes a very positive contribution to the historic character of the Denshaw Conservation Area. <i>Group Value:</i> The Junction Inn has a group value with the White House and the Grade II listed Junction House. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The inn lies at the heart of the local community and has served generations of Denshaw residents, contributing to their sense of place. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The pub dominates the streetscape in the historic core of Denshaw.
Score	11

Property Name and Photograph	Vicarage – HER 18972.1.0 
Property Address	19 Huddersfield Road, Denshaw, Oldham, OL3 5SB
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A vicarage identified on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:2500 map of 1895. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The vicarage is a large, two-storey, stone-built property with some interesting architectural detailing. In common with the local vernacular, the elevations are mostly in rusticated, coursed stonework with more smoothly dressed matching stonework providing detailing such as window surrounds and mullions, door surrounds, gable copings, string courses and the outward stepped features supporting the first-floor oriel window over the front door and the building corners where a canted ground-floor bay window transforms into the square cornered first-floor plan above. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The vicarage has considerable aesthetic value and makes a very positive contribution to the historic character of the Denshaw Conservation Area.

	<i>Group Value:</i> The vicarage has a strong group value with the Grade II listed Christ Church in Denshaw. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The vicarage has served several generations of Denshaw residents, contributing to their sense of place. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The vicarage has some landmark status as a well-known building in Denshaw.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Castleshaw Reservoir Pump House – HER 10257.1.2 
Property Address	Between Castleshaw Upper and Lower Reservoirs, Delph, Oldham
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A former pump house erected in 1891 as a key component of the Castleshaw reservoirs system. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> Single-storey rectangular structure of rock-faced gritstone. Flat roofed with an ashlar parapet, string course and plinth. Southern elevation has a rectangular extruded chimney and commemorative plaque. West elevation has three semi-circular headed windows with an ashlar sill. North elevation has two similar windows, east elevation also has two similar windows and a door in similar style. <i>Local Interest:</i> Increasing demand stimulated the construction of the two Castleshaw valley reservoirs between 1887 and 1891, with the official opening being on 30th September 1891. Designed by Bateman and Hill, these works cost £225,965. A plaque commemorating the opening is fixed to the southern gable of the disused pump house sited between the reservoirs.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The pump house makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic value of the Castleshaw reservoirs. <i>Group Value:</i> The pump house has a strong group value with the other historic elements of the Castleshaw reservoirs. <i>Rarity Value:</i> A rare intact example of a late 19th-century pump house. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The pump house is a notable feature of the local landscape with a corresponding landscape value.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Castleshaw Reservoir Manager's Office – HER 10257.1.3 
Property Address	North side of Castleshaw Upper Reservoir, Delph, Oldham
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A manager's office erected in 1891 as a key component of the Castleshaw reservoirs system. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A single-storey rectangular structure of coursed rock-faced gritstone. Flat ashlar heads to the door and window on north side. Chimney over east end gable, slate roof. Manager's building overlooking Castleshaw Upper Reservoir. <i>Local Interest:</i> Increasing demand stimulated the construction of the two Castleshaw valley reservoirs between 1887 and 1891, with the official opening being on 30th September 1891.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The manager's office makes a very positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic value of the Castleshaw reservoirs. <i>Group Value:</i> The manager's office has a strong group value with the other historic elements of the Castleshaw reservoirs system. <i>Rarity Value:</i> A rare intact example of a late 19th-century office associated with a reservoir system. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The manager's office is a notable feature of the local landscape with a corresponding landscape value.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Castleshaw Reservoir Valve House - HER 10257.1.4 
Property Address	Bottom of Castleshaw Lower Reservoir embankment, Delph, Oldham
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A valve house erected in 1887-91 as a key component of the Castleshaw reservoirs system. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> Small single-storey rectangular building, formerly the Valve House for Castleshaw Reservoirs. Located at base of Lower Castleshaw Reservoir beside Hull Brook. Walls of hammer dressed gritstone with single window in each elevation defined by ashlar sills and heads. Windows boarded up. Large dressed gritstones are used for the adjacent valve structure. All set within stone wall compound. <i>Local Interest:</i> Increasing demand stimulated the construction of the two Castleshaw valley reservoirs between 1887 and 1891, with the official opening being on 30th September 1891.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The valve house makes a very positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic value of the Castleshaw reservoirs. <i>Group Value:</i> The valve house has a strong group value with the other historic elements of the Castleshaw reservoirs system. <i>Rarity Value:</i> A rare intact example of a late 19th-century reservoir valve house. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The valve house is a notable feature of the local landscape with a corresponding landscape value.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Monastic Grange – HER 18973.1.0 
Property Address	100m north west of Castleshaw Centre, Waterworks Road, Oldham (SD9945509214)
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A ruin of a monastic grange of 13th- or 14th-century date but probably established shortly after the acquisition of lands by the Cistercian abbey of Roche in 1199. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The ruin comprises a long, narrow central range 20m long by 10m wide, flanked by a west and east range, each being 31.8m long and 8.4m wide. The total building length is an astonishing 73.6m. The main plan form includes a series of internal rooms and a central corridor, with adjacent symmetrical wings. Associated with the building site are a series of substantial earth bank field boundaries, creating a series of large, enclosed fields for cattle grazing. <i>Local Interest:</i> The ruin provides a rare physical reminder of the influence held locally by the Cistercian abbey of Roche during the later medieval period.

	<i>Archaeological Interest:</i> Excavations have revealed the plan form of what was once a massive building dating probably to the 13th century. It is associated with a network of large earthwork banks and once formed part of the Grange in the Castleshaw valley, held by the Cistercian abbey of Roche. Only a couple of low, ruined walls survive to indicate the site, with extensive footings being buried at shallow depths beneath rough pasture. <i>Rarity Value:</i> The remains of the monastic grange form an unusual plan form that appears to have no known parallel.
Score	11

Property Name and Photograph	Castleshaw Centre – HER 10273.1.0 
Property Address	Waterworks Road, Delph, Oldham, OL3 5LZ (SD9957109121)
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A rectangular structure is shown on this site named Castle Cote on the 1822 Saddleworth Township and OS 1851 maps. On the 1895 and 1906 OS maps the site has been renamed Liftrey Dyke. The building now forms part of the Castleshaw Centre. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building is a two-storey structure, constructed in watershot, hammer-dressed gritstone. It has a graduated stone slate roof and ridge and gable chimneys. The doors and windows have square cut stone surrounds. All of the windows are sash. Additional constructional phases include a cross-wing at the southern end and additional modern brick structures to north and rear. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building provides a well-preserved example of a poor childrens' home, which was established in 1916. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the historic character of the area.

	<i>Social / Community Value:</i> The Castleshaw Centre has been Oldham's outdoor education centre for over 100 year and provides outdoor and adventurous activities for people of all ages. The centre was originally opened by the Oldham Poor Children's Holiday Association in 1895 and donated to the Council in 1916. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The Castleshaw Centre is a local landmark building.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Diggle Top Farm – HER 18976.1.0 
Property Address	Dickens Lane, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5LB
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A laithe house dating to the late 18th / early 19th century. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A two-storey, four-bay, double-depth laithe watershot sandstone farmstead. Graduated stone slate roof with one ridge, one gable watertabled stack. The first floor features possible 15-light recessed square-faced mullion windows with at least three-king mullions. <i>Local Interest:</i> The buildings are a good example of a farm in the local vernacular and provide a reminder of the historic importance of agriculture to the local economy.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The farm makes a very positive contribution to the historic character and rural aesthetic of the area. <i>Group Value:</i> Diggle Top has a group value with other historic farmsteads in the locale, including Diggle House Farm. <i>Landmark Value:</i> Diggle Top Farm is a prominent feature of the local rural landscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Diggle House Farm – HER 18977.1.0 
Property Address	Dickens Lane, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5LB
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Farmhouse with adjoining barn and out houses built c. 1820-50. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The farmhouse is of watershot sandstone with a three-storey front, two-storey rear, and is two-bay, double depth. It has a graduated stone roof with kneelers but no gable cope stones. <i>Local Interest:</i> The buildings are a good example of a farm in the local vernacular and provide a reminder of the historic importance of agriculture to the local economy. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The farm makes a very positive contribution to the historic character and rural aesthetic of the area.

	<i>Group Value:</i> Diggle House Farm has a group value with other historic farmsteads in the locale, including Diggle Top Farm. <i>Landmark Value:</i> Diggle House Farm is a prominent feature of the local rural landscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Diggle New Mill Bridge – HER 18978.1.0 
Property Address	Dickens Mill, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5LH
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A bridge dating to the mid-19th century. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> Single semi-circular stone arch bridge carrying private road over Diggle Brook to the new mill built in 1845. Arch formed from single band of slightly proud round-front edged surfaced sandstone, with wall of hammer dressed coursed stone. Topped by a single string course with large stone slabs for roadside walls topped by large stone copestones. Square terminating piers. <i>Local Interest:</i> The bridge was constructed across the Diggle Brook as part of a new road that was built to connect Diggle New Mill with Diglee at Marsh Head. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The bridge is to an intentional, engineered design and form with minimal architectural detailing but this gives rise to a structure with positive aesthetic value both in its own right and in terms of its relationship with its surrounding rural landscape setting.

	<i>Group Value:</i> The bridge has a group value with Diggle New Mill and a weir across the Diggle Brook under the bridge to ensure river height. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The bridge has served the local community for very many years and will have some social/community value. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The bridge is a notable feature of the local landscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Milestone – HER 18980.1.0 
Property Address	Thurstons, Huddersfield Road, Oldham (NGR SE 00841 08908)
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A milestone dating to 1894 forming part of the Oldham to Standedge Turnpike, a ten-mile section of road that was in existence by the late 18th century. The distances given are Huddersfield 11 miles, Manchester 14¼ miles, Ashton 8 miles, Stalybridge 7¼ miles, Oldham 7¼ Upper mill... Sited a few yards above the toll house on the former Oldham to Standedge Turnpike. <i>Local Interest:</i> The milestone acts as a reminder of the historic character of Huddersfield Road. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The milestone makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of Huddersfield Road.

	<i>Group Value:</i> The milestone has a group value with other surviving milestones and infrastructure associated with the Oldham to Standedge Turnpike Trust. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The milestone was designed to act as a landmark for travellers, a function that it continues to fulfil.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Grove House – HER 18986.1.0 
Property Address	Harrop Court, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5LN
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Detached house dating to 1870 and set in sloping grounds <i>Architectural Interest:</i> Rock-faced stone, blue slate roof with gable and rear extended. Stone stacks, gable cope stones and corbel gutter supports. Front elevation comprises central dressed stone surround doorway with overlight, two-light windows either side with stopped chamfered lintel and stone sill. Garden walls with rounded cope stones and ornate iron gate. Stone gateposts extant. Water trough opposite. <i>Local Interest:</i> Grove House was the manager/owner's house for Grove Mill. The land formed part of a large freehold that included Thurstons and Brun sold by William Ramsden, Lord of the Manor to John Marsden in 1649. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> Grove House makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the area.

	<i>Group Value:</i> Small hamlet with three Grade II listed dwellings, raised above the valley bottom alongside the 12th-century routeway over Standedge to Mottram-in-Longdendale and beyond. <i>Landmark Value:</i> Grove House is a prominent feature of the local landscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	1-3 Harrop Court – HER 18987.1.0 
Property Address	Harrop Court, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5LL
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Part of group of four connected buildings. Dating to the early 19th century. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A three-storey, single bay and single-depth property. It is of hammer-dressed watershot sandstone with graduated stone roof. No indication of separate construction. <i>Local Interest:</i> Harrop Court is a hamlet raised above the valley bottom alongside the 12th-century routeway over Standedge to Mottram-in-Longdendale and beyond. Part of a large freehold which included Thurstons and Brun sold by William Ramsden, Lord of the Manor to John Marsden in 1649.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The buildings make a very positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of Harrop Court. <i>Group Value:</i> The buildings have a group value with three Grade II listed dwellings and other contemporary properties that form Harrop Court. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The building is a prominent feature of Harrop Court with a corresponding landmark value.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Barn – HER 18988.1.0 
Property Address	Harrop Court, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5LL
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Part of group of five connected buildings dating to the early 19th century. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The barn is of watershot hammer-dressed stone and is two storey, three bay and single depth. The front elevation features a central dressed stone surround, keyed arch with proud keystone, shippon door to left and stable door to right with square cut stone surround, three original wooden doors and cast-iron downspouts. <i>Local Interest:</i> Harrop Court is a hamlet raised above the valley bottom alongside the 12th-century routeway over Standedge to Mottram-in-Longdendale and beyond. Part of a large freehold which included Thurstons and Brun sold by William Ramsden, Lord of the Manor to John Marsden in 1649. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The barn makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of Harrop Court. <i>Group Value:</i> The barn has a group value with three Grade II listed dwellings and other contemporary properties that form Harrop Court.

	<i>Landmark Value:</i> The building is a prominent feature of Harrop Court with a corresponding landmark value.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Marsh Head – HER 18989.1.0 
Property Address	Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5LB
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Extended farmhouse and barn dating to the late 18th / early 19th century. Built in fields labelled as Marsh on an estate map of 1770. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A two-storey, five-bays, double-depth farmhouse with a cat-slide roof and a mid-19th-century two-storey extension to rear. The buildings comprise hammer-dressed sandstone. <i>Local Interest:</i> The buildings are a good example of a farm in the local vernacular and provide a reminder of the historic importance of agriculture to the local economy. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> Marsh Head Farm makes a very positive contribution to the historic agricultural character and aesthetic quality of the area. <i>Group Value:</i> The farm has a group value with other historic farmsteads in the area. <i>Landmark Value:</i> Marsh Head Farm is a prominent feature of the local rural landscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Diggle Mill Weir – HER 18990.1.0 
Property Address	Diggle Brook, Diggle, Oldham (NGR SE 00955 07866)
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A succession of Diggle rasping mill, corn mill and paper mill created three dams to provide water for water wheels and processes. The weir diverts water to the lower of the three dams and goyt. The weir only supplies the lower dam, the other two are fed from higher up Diggle Brook. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A good example of a 19th-century weir. <i>Local Interest:</i> The weir provides a physical reminder of the area's early industrial heritage. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The weir reflects the former importance of water powered to the industrial and economic development of the area, affording historic character and aesthetic value to this section of the Diggle Brook.

	<i>Group Value:</i> The weir has a group value with the former industrial premises that it served with a supply of water and also with other historic structures that form a part of the same water-management system. <i>Rarity Value:</i> A rare intact example of a small 19th-century weir. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The weir is a notable feature of the local landscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Preston House – HER 18991.1.0 
Property Address	Standedge Road, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5NB
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A double-depth, two-bay sandstone house dating to the mid-18th-century and known previously as Thorns. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> Preston House is of hammer-dressed stone with a blue slate roof with cope stones and a water-tabled chimney. The ground floor features five-light recessed cavetto mullion window with one king mullion. <i>Local Interest:</i> Used as an ale house 1846-1920 and known as the Preston Arms after Henry Preston the estate owner. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality and historic character of the area. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The building was a public house that served the local community for many years and it is expected to continue to have some social/community value. <i>Landmark Value:</i> Preston House occupies a prominent location at the junction of Carr Lane with Standedge Road, affording it some status as a local landmark.

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Property Name and Photograph

Bank Gap – HER 18992.1.0



Property Address	Carr Lane, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5ND
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A row of stone-built cottages developed from a central laithe farm dating to the late 18th / early 19th century. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The two-storey, double-depth property is of watershot stone with a graduated stone slate roof. The central laithe house features a small chamfered mullioned two-light window upper floor with stone arched infilled barn door, single infilled doorway with part stone surround, partial set of quoins and evidence of roof heightening and different rebuilding with larger stone courses. The approach to the front of the house from Carr Lane is cobbled with a central stone flagged pathway and is demarcated at Carr Lane with an original single stone gate post. <i>Local Interest:</i> The house forms a part of an historic hamlet of dispersed buildings alongside a cross valley routeway. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building has a highly positive aesthetic value in its own right and in terms of the contribution it makes to the appearance of both Carr Lane and the wider environs. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has group value with other nearby historic buildings including those on Carr Lane: Preston House, Lower Carr (Grade II listed) and the building consisting of Carr Farmhouse, Spring Cottage and an adjoining cottage (Grade II listed). <i>Landmark Value:</i> The building occupies a prominent position on Carr Lane, affording it some value as a landmark building.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Gas Lamp – HER 18993.1.0 
Property Address	Bank Gap, Carr Lane, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5ND
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Original gas lamp dating to the late 19th / early 20th century. In working order, renovated at the cost of Saddleworth Civic Trust in the late 20th century and now maintained together with five others by Oldham Council. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The lamp standard is in cast iron and has a hexagonal plinth from which rises a tapering and fluted circular column with the fluting ending at a circular collar. The standard supports a four-sided lantern with glazed sides <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The lamp is to an intentional design which combines functionality with a visual delight. Although modest in scale the lamp has positive aesthetic value both in its own right and in terms of the contribution made to the character and appearance of its wider setting.

	<i>Group Value:</i> The lamp has a group value with the other four of its type that survive elsewhere in Oldham and with other historic highway infrastructure that assists to provide an understanding of how highways and communities functioned. <i>Rarity Value:</i> Very few historic gas lamp survive in working order. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> As an historic feature associated with the public realm on an historic highway route it is expected that the lamp has accrued social/community value. <i>Landmark Value:</i> Although small in scale, this lamp is likely to be a notable landmark for those who use this route.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Milestone – HER 18985.1.0 
Property Address	Sunfield, Standedge Road, Diggle, Oldham (SE0012608255)
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A milestone dating to 1894 forming part of the Oldham to Standedge Turnpike, a ten-mile section of road that was in existence by the late 18th century. The distances given are. Huddersfield 12 miles Manchester 13¾ miles, Ashton 7½ miles, Stalybridge 7½ miles, Oldham. Cast-iron angled plate on stone pillar with semi-circular top. <i>Local Interest:</i> The milestone acts as a reminder of the historic character of Standedge Road, which originated as the Oldham to Standedge Turnpike. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The milestone makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of Standedge Road.

	<i>Group Value:</i> The milestone has a group value with other surviving milestones and infrastructure associated with the Oldham to Standedge Turnpike Trust. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The milestone was designed to act as a landmark for travellers, a function that it continues to fulfil.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Hillcrest – HER 18984.1.0 
Property Address	9 Harrop Green Lane, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5LW
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A double-fronted house dating to the early 19th century, possible infill built between two earlier properties. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A two-storey, single depth property of dressed millstone-grit. Central doorway with ashlar stone lintel and quoins door jambs, overlight with name on glass. The ground floor features three-pane bow windows on ashlar large stone base with blue slate roof. First floor has three sets of four recessed flat-faced mullion windows. Sills form a single string from side to side. Moulded support for large ashlar pediment. Shallow roof with joint chimney stack with No.8. <i>Local Interest:</i> The high status of the house reflects the economic prosperity and growth of the area in the early 19th century.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality of the Harrop Green Conservation Area. <i>Group Value:</i> Hillcrest has a strong group value with the adjacent listed buildings. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The building occupies a prominent position on Harrop Green Lane, affording it some value as a landmark building.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Diggle Hotel – HER 18981.1.0 
Property Address	Diggle, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5JZ
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Diggle Hotel was built in the early 19th century. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building is three-storey and three-bay double depth. It features a central doorway with rusticated quoins. Each floor has four-light recessed square mullion windows to left and right, and string courses between each floor. <i>Local Interest:</i> A beer house in Diglee was licenced in 1833-58 as the forerunner of The Diggle Hotel. Frederick Radcliffe ran both establishments.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building has positive aesthetic value both in its own right and in terms of the contribution it makes to the character and appearance of the wider area, including the Diglea Conservation Area. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a strong group value with the nearby Grade II listed buildings <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The hotel and its forerunner has served the local community for nearly 200 years and can be expected to have communal value. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The hotel is a significant local landmark.
Score	11

Property Name and Photograph	1 Diglea - HER 19004.1.0 
Property Address	Diglea, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5LA
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A two-storey property dating to the 18th century. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The stone-built property is double depth and of two bays with a graduated stone slate roof with ridge stack to right. The first floor features a two-light mullion window with square surround, possible infill, and an eight-light square-faced mullion window, suggesting the intended use of the first floor as a domestic workshop. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building reflects the importance of the domestic textile industry to the growth of Diglea in the late 18th century. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the Diglea Conservation Area.

	<i>Group Value:</i> The building has a strong group value with the adjacent Grade II listed buildings. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The building is a notable historic feature of Diglea.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	3 Diglea – HER 19003.1.0 
Property Address	Diglea, Diggle, Oldham
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The westernmost property of a row of three-storey, stone-built cottages dating to the late 18th century. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The property comprises a double-bay, double-depth, three-storey house attached to a listed building. The fabric comprises watershot squared millstone grit. Unusually, the north-facing rear elevation is the front. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building reflects the importance of the domestic textile industry to the growth of Diglea in the late 18th century.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the Diglea Conservation Area. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a strong group value with the adjacent Grade II listed buildings. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The building is a notable historic feature of Diglea.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Bloomer Cottage – HER 19005.1.0 
Property Address	11 Diglea, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5LA
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A weaver's cottage dating to the late 18th / early 19th century. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A two-bay, single-depth cottage with additional later bay. Hammer-dressed watershot stone with graduated stone slate roof. Two-storeys with access door on far gable. The ground floor has two blocked doorways with square lintels and two-piece door jams with horizontal square cut mid height strengtheners. First-floor workshop has ten-recessed square flat-faced mullion windows. Far gable end has door and ground-floor windows. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building reflects the importance of the domestic textile industry to the growth of Diglea in the late 18th century. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The cottage makes a very positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the Diglea Conservation Area.

	<i>Group Value:</i> Group value with several Grade II listed buildings in the immediate vicinity. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The building is a notable historic feature of Diglea.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Beaulah House – HER 18982.1.0 
Property Address	1 Sam Road, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5PU
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Built before 1897 as a residence for Matthew Bailey, shawl manufacturer, Grove Mill. Later Dobcross Loom Works General Manager's mansion. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A two-storey, two-bay, double-depth building of hammer-dressed sandstone with proud plinth. Blue slate hipped roof, four gable tall stone stacks. The front elevation features a dressed stone surround arched doorway with moulding and overlight with '1' etched in glass. <i>Local Interest:</i> Beaulah House reflects local industrial success in form of an imposing mansion with large enclosed gardens. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> Beaulah House makes a very positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the area. <i>Group Value:</i> Beaulah House has a group value with other late 19th-century villas in Diggle.

	<i>Landmark Value:</i> The building is a notable historic feature of Sam Road.
Score	9

Property Name	Diggle Primary School – HER 19002.1.0 
Property Address	Sam Road, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5PU
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The school was erected in 1927 by West Riding to replace a public subscription and later church school at Kilngreen. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> Original millstone grit building with central corridor with three classrooms to the south elevation and two smaller rooms either side of large hall to north. South elevation features a central bay gabled with copings and three windows with sandstone sills and lintels, windows repeated on other two bays, basement door with steps and three in-filled windows. Original setting surviving intact includes the gate posts, fan light and approach steps. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The school makes a highly positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the area.

	<i>Social/Communal Value:</i> The building remains in its original use and has served the local community for nearly 100 years and can be expected to have communal value. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a group value with Kiln Green School. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The school is a notable historic feature of Sam Road with a corresponding value as a landmark building.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph

The Gate Inn – HER 19001.1.0



Property Address

217 Huddersfield Road, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5PQ

Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The Gate Inn was established next to the Ward Lane crossroads on the new Standedge to Oldham turnpike in c.1801. The building is listed in the 1803 licensing records as the Gate Inn. The inn was rebuilt in 1926 by Gartsides Brewery. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The two-storey building is principally in coursed and coarsely dressed stone. Matching, but more smoothly dressed, ashlar stone is used to provide much of the architectural detailing including window surrounds, mullions and transoms, quoin stones at the building corners and the first floor-oriel window over the main entrance. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building was also used as a shoemaker's workshop, occupied by John Barratt. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The public house makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of Huddersfield Road. <i>Group Value:</i> The inn has some group value with the historic turnpike routes and the Huddersfield Narrow Canal that lies a short distance to the east. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The public house has served the local community for generations and can be expected to have communal value. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The inn lies on a historic crossroads on Huddersfield Road and is a notable local landmark.
Score	10

Property Name	Kiln Green School – HER 19000.1.0 
Property Address	Kiln Green, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5JY
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A school built by public subscription 1870, and extended 1894 at the cost of W.D. Hall. Became a church school before closure in 1927 when it was transferred to the West Riding new school on Sam Road. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The school features a pointed front porch, three arched windows with bevels and quoin surrounds and proud sills. <i>Local Interest:</i> The site was occupied originally by a non-denominational school built in 1785. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building has notable aesthetic value in its own right and in terms of the contribution it makes to the character and appearance of the wider street scene and area. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a group value with Diggle Primary School. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The school is a notable historic feature of Kiln Green with a corresponding value as a landmark building.

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Property Name and Photograph	Diggle Bridge – HER 18999.1.0 
Property Address	Diggle Brook, Diggle, Oldham
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Bridge over Diggle Brook. From medieval times the route from Standedge to Saddleworth Church and Mottram-in-Longdendale would have crossed here. The bridge was declared very narrow, ruinous and in decay at the Quarter Sessions in 1774. Saddleworth was awarded £39 subsequently towards rebuilding. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The stone-built bridge features a parapet topped with large squared stones with keyed arch.

	<i>Local Interest:</i> Diggle Brook enters a long tunnel a short distance downstream that was created by the canal, three railway lines and shunting sidings. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The positive aesthetic value lies with the simplicity of the design and detailing that reflects the engineering that underlies the form and uses local materials. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The bridge is a notable historic feature of the Diggle Brook corridor,
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Green Bank House – HER 18998.1.0 
Property Address	Shaw Lee, Kiln Green, Oldham, OL3 5JY
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Former mill owner's house in own grounds built for WD Hall of Diggle Bridge Mill in 1858. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The two-storey, four-bay, double-depth house is of hammer-dressed sandstone with outer two bays with transverse gables. It has a blue slate roof with stone copes on gables, and the roof is divided into four sections. <i>Local Interest:</i> The feeder channel for the Huddersfield Narrow Canal passes through the garden. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality and historic character of Kiln Green. <i>Group Value:</i> Green Bank House has a group value with other late 19th-century villas in Diggle. <i>Landmark Value:</i> Green Bank House is a local landmark.

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Property Name and Photograph	Shaw Lee House – HER 18997.1.0 
Property Address	Lee Side, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5JY
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Large and imposing dwelling dating to the early 19th century and originally freestanding with mid-19th century row of cottages attached. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The house is two storey, two bay and double depth with watershot hammer-dressed stone and graduated stone roof with gable cope stones. The front elevation features a central doorway hidden by 20th-century porch but with square stone surrounds and symmetrically spaced sash windows on the first and second floors. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building reflects the importance of the domestic textile industry to the growth of Lee Side in the early 19th century. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality and historic character of Lee Side. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a group value with other 19th-century buildings in Lee Side. <i>Landmark Value:</i> Shaw Lee House is a prominent historic building in Lee Side with a corresponding value as a local landmark.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Diggle Junction Signal Box – HER 18983.1.0 
Property Address	Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5JT
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Diggle Junction Signal Box, originally Diggle No1 signal box, opened in 1885 near the western portal of the Standedge Tunnels. It was equipped with 59 levers and was extended to 81 levers in 1891 on closure of Diggle No2 signal box near the station. Initially it controlled traffic on one down line (away from London) and one up line. Second lines were added in 1886 when the Micklehurst loop line from Stalybridge was opened. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building is a good example of a large London & North Western Railway Type 4 signal box, comprising a timber-framed box mounted on a brick base. It features a slate-covered gabled roof, introduced by the LNWR in 1876. <i>Local Interest:</i> The signal box also controlled a single line that served the Dobcross Loom Works, which had their own engine 'The Foundry Rocket.'

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The signal box makes a positive contribution to the historic character of the railway corridor. <i>Group Value:</i> The signal box has a group value with other significant structures associated with historic transport routes across the Pennines, including Standedge Tunnels and the Huddersfield Narrow Canal. <i>Landmark Value:</i> the signal box is a prominent feature locally, affording it a landmark value.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph

Warth Mill – HER 6094.1.0



Property Address

Huddersfield Road, Diggle, Oldham, OL3 5PS

Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The first textile mill to occupy the site was erected in the late 18th century but was destroyed by fire in 1915. It was rebuilt by the Co-operative Wholesale Society for manufacturing flannels and set to work in 1919. The integrated was bought in 1928 for the production of tyre fabric. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The stone-built spinning mill dates to the early 20th century and was built to a design by Fred Thorpe. It is of four storeys and is 14x4 bays with rectangular windows, stone lintels and sills and a flat roof. The single-storey offices are attached to the mill and feature some embellished stonework. The boiler house survives. Other buildings include a stone-built weaving shed and two warehouses. <i>Local Interest:</i> The mill is the last historic textile factory to survive in Diggle, despite the importance of the industry. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The mill makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality of the area, providing an important reminder of Diggle's textile-manufacturing heritage. <i>Rarity Value:</i> Warth Mill is the last surviving textile mill in Diggle. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The mill employed several generations of local people, and some will have a personal association with the mill, contributing to their sense of place. <i>Landmark Value:</i> The mill is a notable landmark feature of the local landscape.
Score	10