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Candidates for Local Listing in St James

Property Name and Photograph	The Moorside – HER 18866.1.0 
Property Address	Ripponden Road, Oldham, OL1 4SA
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A public house annotated 'Moorside Hotel (P.H.)' on the Ordnance Survey 1:500 Town Plan of 1892. At that time the principal element of built form had an 'L'-shaped plan form augmented with an attached element to the rear (north-western) elevation. Road on the north-western side of the principal building. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The Moorside is a detached, primarily two-storey building of stone construction. The elevations are in coursed stonework but with courses of varying depth. Architectural detailing is restricted to door and window surrounds and corner quoin stones in the same but slightly more smoothly finished stone.

	<i>Local Interest:</i> The Ordnance Survey 1:2,500 1st Revision map of 1909 shows an associated detached built form annotated “Smy” (i.e. smithy). <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building has aesthetic value in its own right and in terms of the positive contribution made to the wider street scene and locality. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The public house has served generations of local residents, who will have a personal association with the building. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The public house occupies a prominent location at a junction, providing it with landmark status.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Office to Former Prince of Wales Mill – HER 5994.1.1 
Property Address	Vulcan Street, Oldham, OL1 4ER
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Surviving gatehouse/office to the former Prince of Wales Mill. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> This is a modestly scaled, two-storey built form with two elements comprising a slightly taller range facing the street and a slightly lower range behind. The building is primarily in red brick with a yellow sandstone used for door and window heads and window cills. The front elevation has added architectural detailing both in terms of additional stone detailing used for banding and a projecting cornice and articulated brickwork to create pilasters with panels between. The original metal railings, gateposts and gates remain. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building is the sole remaining element of what was once a large cotton mill complex of importance to the local economy.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> This modestly scaled building has positive aesthetic value in its own right and in terms of the contribution it makes to the wider area within which it is located. Group Value: The mill gatehouse has a group value with the adjacent terrace of 19th-century workers' housing. <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 Status:</i> The building is a notable feature of Vulcan Street and has a landmark value.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph

St Ambrose Mission Church – HER 18867.1.0



Property Address	St Ambrose Road, Watersheddings, Oldham, OL1 4AU
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> An architect's plan for the church dated 1907 was deposited with Oldham Council. At least a part of the church building was designed intentionally for school use. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building has single-storey central element with a roof ridge parallel with St Ambrose Road. This is bookended at both ends with a two-storey element. The gabled treatment of these bookends with over-sized arched headed first-floor windows increases their visual prominence. An original single-storey flat-roofed porch on the St Ambrose Road elevation and three-storey tower rising above it confirm the asymmetry of the design. The elevations are primarily in red brick with limited use of a buff coloured terracotta detailing. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building of the church in 1908 represented the creation of the new Parish of St Ambrose. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building has aesthetic value in its own right and in terms of the positive contribution it makes to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the area. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The church and school have fulfilled an important role in the local community and generations of residents will have personal association with the building. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a group value with the adjacent vicarage. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The former church and school has a degree of physical prominence within the locality.
Score	10

Property Name and Photograph	The Vicarage – HER 18901.1.0 
Property Address	Prince Charlie Street, Oldham
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A plan for the new vicarage dated 1930 was submitted to Oldham Council. The rectory is shown on the Ordnance Survey 3rd Revision 1:10,560 map of 1938. It is annotated as ‘Vicarage’ on the 1:2,500 map of 1954. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A two-storey, double fronted house to a neo-Georgian design very much of its time. The principal elevation with its central front door faces the adjacent St. Ambrose Mission Church rather than the street showing the direct functional relationship between the two buildings. The brick is a brown brick (in contrast to the redder brick used more widely in the area) and the pitched, hipped roof is in slate

	with notable rounded concrete ridge tiles. Chimneys and cast-iron rainwater goods and external soil pipes remain but the windows have been replaced. <i>Local Interest:</i> The addition of the vicarage reflects the importance of the relatively new Parish of St Ambrose. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building is of aesthetic value in its own right and in terms of the positive contribution it makes to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the area. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a group value with the adjacent former St Ambrose Mission Church. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The vicarage has a degree of physical prominence within the locality.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Kingsland School – HER 18902.1.0 
Property Address	1 Broadbent Street, Oldham, OL1 4HX
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> An architect's plan for Watersheddings School dated 1882, and plans for an extension dated 1893, were submitted to Oldham Council. The school is marked on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:2500 map of 1894, with the 1st Revision edition of 1906 showing extension. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The built form is all single storey but with the central taller school hall having added prominence. The building is principally in red brick. Architectural detailing is limited and mainly derives from the use of brick such as for expressed window heads and the limited use of stone for window cills and some elevation banding.

	<i>Local Interest:</i> The school was at the heart of the development of Watersheddings during the late Victorian period. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The school has considerable aesthetic value both in its own right and in terms of the positive contribution it makes to the historic character of the wider street scenes. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The school fulfils an important role in the local community and generations of former pupils will have personal association with the building. <i>Group Value:</i> The school has a group value with the surrounding houses, cumulatively representing the development of Watersheddings as a residential area. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The school has a degree of physical prominence within the locality.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Hartford Old Works Pattern Store (Adelaide Mill) - HER 5741.5.0 
Property Address	Gould Street, Oldham, OL1 3LL
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Identified as a component of the Hartford Old Works engineering complex on the Ordnance Survey 1:500 Town Plan of 1892. Known currently as Adelaide Mill. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building takes a rectangular form and is of red brick construction. Four storey in height, multi ridge roof, stone band to each floor. Tower to south-east corner. The long frontage is at

	right-angles to Gould Street and is 15 bays long by 6 bays deep, enclosed in five gables grouping the bays in three. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building represents one of the surviving elements of the once expansive Hartford Old Works, established by the famous Platt Brothers. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building has positive aesthetic value in its own right and in terms of the contribution it makes to the wider historic industrial character of the locale. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> Generations of local residents may have worked at the mill and will have personal association with the building. <i>Group Value:</i> the building has a strong group value with other surviving elements of Hartford Old Works. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The school has a degree of physical prominence within the locality.
Score	10

Candidates for Local Listing in Waterhead

Property Name and Photograph	Cairo Mill – HER 5990.1.0 
Property Address	Greenacres Road, Waterhead, Oldham, OL4 3JA
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Built by the Cairo Mill Co in 1903 to a design by PS Stott, one of the leading mill architects of the era. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The mill is of red brick and has six storeys and 18 x 6 bays. Steel and concrete internal structure. Flat roof. Rectangular concrete type windows in pairs and in threes. Pilasters between the bays. Tower to the east wall. Engine house attached to the north-west corner. <i>Local Interest:</i> The mill, as one of a group of such mills, bears witness to the relatively rapid industrialisation of this previously agricultural landscape which brought significant change to the area and pre-existing population.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The mill makes an important contribution to the character and aesthetic quality of the historic textile-manufacturing townscape. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> Generations of local residents may have worked at the mill and will have personal association with the building. <i>Group Value:</i> The mill has a group value with the adjacent Orme Mill and Majestic Mill. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The mill is a notable landmark feature of Greenacres Road and forms part of an important cluster of mills.
Score	12

Property Name and Photograph	Majestic Mill – HER 5988.1.0 
Property Address	Dunham Street, Waterhead, Oldham, OL4 3NT
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Built to a design by FW Dixon by the Majestic Mill Co in 1903. It was taken over by the Lancashire Cotton Corporation after the Second World War, purchased by Courtaulds Ltd in 1964 and converted to ring spinning in 1971. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The mill is brick built and of 5 storeys and 15x5 bays. Steel and concrete internal structure. Rectangular windows with flat brick tops. Flat roof. Tower to the south-west corner. Pilasters. Yellow brick coursing. Truncated engine house attached to the north-west corner. <i>Local Interest:</i> The mill bears witness to the relatively rapid industrialisation of this previously agricultural landscape, bringing significant change to the area.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The mill makes an important contribution to the character and aesthetic quality of the townscape. <i>Archaeological Value:</i> The site was occupied previously by an ancient corn that was converted to cotton spinning in c. 1800. Any below-ground remains will be of archaeological interest. <i>Group Value:</i> The mill has a group value with the adjacent Orme Mill and Cairo Mill. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> Generations of local residents may have worked at the mill. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The mill is a notable landmark feature and forms part of an important cluster of mills.
Score	11

Property Name and Photograph	Bull's Head – HER 18903.1.0 
Property Address	17 Brideoak Street, Waterhead, OL4 2HB
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A detached pub that was erected in 1905-06 as a replacement for an early 18th-century ale house by the same name. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building provides an interesting example of an Edwardian public house. <i>Local Interest:</i> The Bull's Head originally lay on the Old Road, which was turnpiked as early as 1735. It seems that James Butterworth was the innkeeper from 1746, followed by his son James in 1750. The inn

	was replaced with the current building in 1905-06, which contained a parlour, beer parlour and tap room, a large hall and a living room downstairs. Upstairs were four bedrooms and a bathroom. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality and historic character of the street scene. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The public house fulfils an important role in the local community and generations of local residents will have personal association with the building, contributing to their sense of place. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The public house occupies a prominent position at the junction of Brideoak Street with Greenacres Road and is a notable feature of the streetscape.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph

Greenacre Lodge – HER 18905.1.0



Property Address	Greenacres Road, Oldham, OL4 3EY
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Greenacres Lodge is a detached stone-built villa dating to 1843 that is set in a 1.75 acre site off Greenacres Road. It is identified as Greenacres Lodge on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:10,560 map of 1848. Plans for alterations to the building were submitted to Oldham Council in 1869 (CBO/4/11/680). <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building provides a fine example of a mid-19th-century villa. The remaining original elevations of the villa have coursed rustic stone elevations with architectural detailing in smoother finished stonework of the same stone. The original roof is a shallow pitched with hips (no gables) and finished in slate roof. <i>Local Interest:</i> It was built as a home for local mill owner James Waring. It was used as a recuperation site for soldiers during the First World War, before being taken into council ownership in 1927. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a very positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the locale. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The villa and its grounds are a notable landmark feature of the locale.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	The Greenacres – HER 18906.1.0 
Property Address	275 Greenacres Road, Oldham, OL4 2DP
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The public house is identified on the Ordnance Survey 1:500 Town Plan of 1892, although an architect's plan dated 1895 allowed for its re-erection. The remodelled building is shown on the 1st Revision 1:2500 map of 1906. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building provides a good example of a late Victorian public house in an urban environment. <i>Local Interest:</i> The public house was known originally as the 'Cemetery Inn'. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building retains a level of historic fabric and historic architectural detail that make a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality of the surrounding area. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The pub has served the local community for over a century.

	<i>Landmark Status:</i> The building is a notable feature of Greenacres Road.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Greenacres Cemetery Lodge – HER 18907.1.0 
Property Address	Greenacres Road, Greenacres, Oldham, OL4 3HT
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The cemetery opened in 1857 and was extended in the early 20th century. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building comprises a two-storey, stone-gabled gatehouse with a Gothic-style arch set between the two lodges. Architectural features include window and door surrounds, the canted

	bay window to the north front with its pitched stone roof, entrance archway and associated stone pinnacles. The entranceway has the original pair of ironwork gates. The pitched roof is in fish-scale slate work with red clay ridge tiles. <i>Local Interest:</i> Plans for Greenacres Cemetery drawn up by Mr N G Pennington of Manchester were accepted in 1856. The cemetery incorporated a linked office and lodge and the burial ground divided between the Anglicans, Dissenters, and Roman Catholics, each with a mortuary chapel. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The lodge makes a very positive contribution to the historic character, aesthetic quality, setting and significance of the cemetery. <i>Group Value:</i> The lodge has a strong group value with the Grade II listed Greenacres Cemetery and Greenacres Congregational Church, which is visible from the cemetery. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The lodge is a notable landmark feature of the cemetery.
Score	10

Property Name and Photograph	St Barnabas' Mission Church – HER 18908.1.0 
Property Address	Arundel Street, Oldham, OL4 1NL
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> In 1910, a sum of £1,500 was assigned for the building of a new church school and an architect's plan was drawn in 1911. The foundation stone was laid on 25 November 1911 and the church opened on 20 July 1912. A parish hall was added in 1959. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building is single storey with a principal rectangular plan-form hall element with a long elevation facing and running parallel to the street frontage. It has a pitched slate roof with red clay ridge tiles which defines (in differing ways) the original built elements to either side of this hall at the northern end. The elevations are predominantly in a smooth red, Accrington-type brick. <i>Local Interest:</i> The original church was intended as a multi-purpose building. It was a church on Sundays for Christian worship, but it was used as a hall for a working-men's club, temperance meetings and a wide array of small projects, all aimed at self-improvement, for majority of the week.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The church makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality and historic character of the area. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The church continues to fulfil an important role in the local community and generations of residents will have personal association with the building. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The church is an interesting feature of Arundel Street.
Score	9

Property Name and Photograph	Greenacres Community Centre – HER 18909.1.0 
Property Address	Galland Street, Greenacres, Oldham, OL4 3EU
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> An architect's plan for the new Sunday school was submitted to Oldham Council in 1888 (CBO/4/11/7411). The impressive stone-built detached property is identified subsequently as a Sunday school on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:500 Town Plan of 1892. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A fine example of a late 19th-century, large Sunday school. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building was converted for use as a community centre after it was disposed of by the church in the 1970s.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the historic character and aesthetic quality of the area and enhances the setting of the Grade II listed Greenacres Cemetery. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The community centre fulfils an important role in the local community and generations of residents will have personal association with the building. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a strong group value with the adjacent Greenacres Congregational Church and, to a lesser degree, the Grade II listed Greenacres Cemetery. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The building has landmark status as a prominent building on Galland Street.
Score	10

Property Name and Photograph	Greenacres Congregational Church – HER 10425.1.0 
Property Address	Galland Street, Greenacres Moor, Oldham, OL4 3EU
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The chapel opened in August 1854 although its origins can be traced back to 1662 when Reverend Robert Constantine, ejected from Oldham Parish Church for refusing to subscribe to the Act of Uniformity, began preaching in a thatched cottage in Greenacres. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The original cruciform structure with its tower in the south-east angle remains the dominant built form together with the early addition of an octagonal element with its characteristic pointed octagonal roof. The tower is a feature including the top stonework element of four corner pinnacles supporting inward flying buttresses that support a stone lantern with its short pyramidal spire. Burial ground to east. <i>Local Interest:</i> The church was designed by R. Moffat Smith and contained 800 seats and was estimated to cost £2000.

	<i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The chapel makes a very positive contribution to the aesthetic quality and historic character of the area. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The chapel has fulfilled an important role in the local community and generations of residents will have personal association with the building, contributing to their sense of place. <i>Group Value:</i> The chapel has a group value with the adjacent Greenacres Community Centre. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The chapel is a notable landmark building on Galland Street.
Score	11