

LISTED BUILDINGS AND AREA DESIGNATIONS

THE

ALTON ESTATE

2017



Key

- Listed Park/Garden
- Locally Listed
- Grade II Listed
- Grade II* Listed
- Grade I Listed

Area Key

- Alton Conservation Area
- Roehampton Village Conservation Area
- Westmead Conservation Area
- Unlisted Area of Importance

HERITAGE UPDATE

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GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL AUTHORITY REQUIREMENTS ON HERITAGE

The relevant legislation, policy and guidance require that any proposals for change to the Alton Conservation Area, listed buildings and their settings, should:

- Build on the established sense of place, by being sympathetic to the layout, massing, materials, uses and general character of the conservation area and significant buildings.
- Conserve the special character of the Alton Conservation Area in a manner appropriate to the significance of its various components.
- Conserve the overall significance of the listed buildings, by ensuring the benefits of changes outweigh any harm they might cause.
- Ensure the long-term beneficial reuse of significant buildings and public realm.

OUR LATEST PROPOSALS

- The listed buildings would be retained, and their settings sensitively enhanced.
- Some buildings of lesser or no heritage value would be replaced, to provide much better accommodation meeting modern needs.
- The design and materials of the new buildings would help to integrate the other original Alton Estate buildings with the rest of Roehampton.
- The public space, library and shops at the east end of Danebury Avenue would be re-planned to give a greatly enhanced local centre for the whole community.
- The trees and landscaping on Harbridge Avenue would be sensitively replaced to give a much-improved appearance and character.
- The Eastwood Nursery School would be rehoused at Portswood Place, returning it to the heart of Alton West, beside the large green space of Downshire Field.
- The green open character of Downshire Field would be retained, and further enhanced through the removal of the bus stand and the careful creation of views through to Downshire House and Mount Clare.
- The Grade II listed bungalows on Minstead Gardens would be completely modernised and extended, enhancing their appearance and landscaping.
- A public art project would reinvigorate local residents' relationship with the history and heritage of the Alton Estate.



Alton West from the west, c.1960



Alton West from the west, 2017, showing later trees and buildings



Mount Clare from Downshire Field, 1964