

What We Stand For

Rotherham District Civic Society stands for protecting and preserving all that is best in the heritage of Rotherham and improving the environment for the present and future generations.

Rotherham District Civic Society primary interest is in the heritage and built environment. We monitor all significant planning applications in the Rotherham area, especially if they involve Listed Buildings or development in Conservation Areas. We focus on encouraging public interest in what we do

We also provide a view when the Local Plans are reviewed and have a particular interest about the allocation of land for large housing developments, transport proposals, and plans affecting the town centre and the Conservation areas.

History and heritage are intrinsically linked and we actively promote these through the Rotherham District Civic Society Blue Plaque initiative, Open Days and Fairs, and our links with local and regional Civic Organisation including the Civic Voice.

Volunteer. The Society is a registered Charity and managed entirely by volunteers. We are a non-political body open to everyone who wants to participate in and influence the planning and development of Rotherham.

If your values are aligned to that of the societies then we would like to hear from you. There are many opportunities to get actively involved from managing membership, organising meetings, monitoring applications, providing an overview on new developments, website and researching new campaigns. If you have an interest or a particular expertise on land use planning, listed buildings, fundraising or volunteering in general with experience to share then we would like to meet you.

Planning

Rotherham District Civic Society will review all planning applications posted on the RMBC planning portal, which meet the following criteria:

- Applications which concern works on land or buildings within the conservation areas of Rotherham.
- Applications which concern works on land or buildings within the boundary of Rotherham and the immediate surrounding areas, which may have an impact on local economic sustainability, public wellbeing or associated infrastructures (including highways, healthcare, schools & public transport links).
- Applications which concern works to listed buildings or buildings on the local list.
- Applications which concern works on land or buildings considered to have architectural, community or heritage value.

Heritage



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Rotherham District Civic Society will identify and promote the identification of important historic properties and public spaces and through grants and partnerships will encourage external repairs and the reinstatement of lost architectural features.

The societies focus will be on external works that will have a positive impact on the conservation and regeneration of Rotherham.

It will also aim to raise awareness of Rotherham heritage through events, sharing information and providing updates to its members and wider public through newsletters and the website.

In particular:

Repairs to external historic features (including sash windows, roofs, gutters and rain water goods)

- Reinstatement of lost external architectural features (including traditional shop fronts)
- Urgent structural works, including essential brick and stonework repair
- Redecoration of building frontages using heritage colours
- Lobby to improve public areas
- Exhibit the society's intellectual works and promote the sale of its heritage booklets.

Transportation

Rotherham Transport Strategy 2016-2026 sets out its vision to support economic recovery and to adapt and to reduce the transport system impact on safety, health and climate change to help safeguard its benefits for future generations. Rotherham Civic Society will review and monitor the progress of the authority's strategy and challenge when necessary.

- Improve road network
- Safer Roads
- Support sustainable public transport
- · Promote walking and cycling
- Growth Plan and the Local Plan Core Strategy
 - 14k new homes by 2028
 - o 10k new jobs
- Sheffield to Rotherham Tram Train
- Bus Rapid Transit schemes
- Social exclusion

Events

Under consultation



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Business and Tourism

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Citizenship

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