

Policy 6a Protecting and Enhancing Heritage Assets

- 1. Development within the historic core of Findern village (as defined in the Findern Guidance and Codes 2024) should respect the scale, building plots, height and roof line and complement existing materials and architectural detailing to reflect the prevailing historic character.**
- 2. The Trent and Mersey Canal and associated structures make up Findern's Conservation Area. The effect of a proposal on the significance of the Canal, including its setting, will be taken into consideration when determining planning applications.**
- 3. Within the Conservation Area and around the Green, development will only be permitted in gardens and open spaces between buildings where it will preserve the historic character.**
- 4. Proposals that require a change of use of a heritage asset will be considered favourably where the following can be demonstrated:**
 - a) the proposed development would represent a viable use that would secure the future of the heritage asset, and**
 - b) the change of use will not be detrimental to the significance of the heritage asset and its setting.**