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Borough Council

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**Hinckley Town Centre  
Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan**

**Photographic Record 3 - St Mary's Road, St Mary's  
Church and Argents Mead**

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This is a key view of St Mary's church from the junction of Station Road and the Market Place.



Views of the fine west tower of St Mary's Church add significantly to the character of the Conservation Area from wherever it is visible.



The aisles, transepts and chancel chapels of St Mary's Church are Victorian in origin.



A typical view of the many surrounding mature trees within and adjacent to the churchyard that are highly important to the setting of this Grade II\* church.





It is unfortunate that to assist grass cutting, the grave stones have been relocated and have lost their connection with the graves that they originally marked.



The brick boundary wall to the churchyard is capped with saddle back copings and plays a significant role in defining the character of the area that should be protected.





This is an extension to the Bell Entry jitty which links into Castle Street. Its boundary walls, narrowness, heritage lamp posts and tree lined edges add significantly to the character of the churchyard.



The removal of this temporary structure used as a scout hut is supported.



The removal of this temporary structure in the grounds of the vicarage is also supported.



The former Rectory is not historically important and any proposal to demolish it will be supported. Any redevelopment of the site should be of traditional style and avoid the loss of mature trees.





The pedestrian entrance into Argents Mead from Castle Street suffers from street clutter.



The bandstand is a significant structure in Argents Mead.



Pathways within the park should be surfaced to align with public desire routes.



The moat in Argents Mead is a significant feature which is important to the setting of the Castle Mound.





The Council Offices in the centre of Argents Mead are historically and architecturally of limited importance and are to be demolished in the near future.



The Council Offices are typical of local authority architecture dating from the 1960's/1970's.



The First and Second World War Memorials standing on the top of Castle Mound are relatively isolated from the remainder of the park and form the centre pieces of a formal space for quiet contemplation.



St Mary's Church Hall, used as a medical centre for many years, is a quiet, simple building which dates from the 1930's.





Florence House, a modern building which lacks the quality of older buildings in the area.



The Masonic Hall is a fine building which has recently had a second storey added.



Looking eastwards along the tree lined access to the Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council Offices from St Mary's Road.