

# Merthyr Tydfil Built Heritage Strategy



Merthyr Tydfil retains a valuable but also a very vulnerable heritage of historic landscapes, towns, villages, buildings and structures; many of which are remnants of the coal and iron industries of the past.

The Merthyr Tydfil Built Heritage Strategy was undertaken by the Conservation Studio as a joint commission between the Merthyr Tydfil Planning and Regeneration Departments in order to improve the way in which our 'heritage assets' are managed. The strategy assesses the survival of these assets and develops an action plan to address designation, funding, policy and management.

The main outcomes of the Heritage Strategy are listed below:

- The need to produce a management plan for the Merthyr Tydfil and Gelli-gaer historic landscapes;
- The need to designate a number of new Conservation Areas;
- The need to raise the quality of assessment of Listed Buildings applications and to increase the responsibility on owners of the maintenance of Listed Buildings;
- The need to re-survey Locally Listed Buildings in the Borough;
- The need to establish a sound policy base to safeguard the heritage of the Borough;
- The need to extract funding to improve monuments and buildings;
- The need to increase community involvement in conservation and heritage;
- The need to make conservation an integral part of economic regeneration.

The Heritage Strategy was approved by the Council on 10th December 2008. Progress on how the Council has set out to achieve the goals contained in this strategy will be published on this page.

The Built Heritage Strategy is available to download below:

Should you require any further information on projects being undertaken through this strategy, please do not hesitate to contact the Regeneration department or our Conservation Officer: