

## Middleham Conservation Area

Conservation Areas are defined as "areas of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance". A significant part of Middleham (as shown on the attached map [insert link]) has been designated as a Conservation Area and special rules govern proposed changes to buildings, their surrounding spaces and all trees.

Richmondshire District Council as the Local Planning Authority is responsible for designating and overseeing Middleham's Conservation Area and further details are available from RDC at <http://www.richmondshire.gov.uk/planning/development-management/507-conservation-areas> .

The rules applicable in Middleham were drafted in conjunction with the Town Council that fully supports their implementation by RDC. If you are a Householder within Middleham's Conservation Area Development, you are reminded that there are particularly strict rules regarding any alterations to the appearance of your home and the removal of trees (even if the tree is not covered by a Tree Preservation Order). You are strongly recommended to talk to RDC before committing yourself to any changes – for example a erecting a satellite dish, replacing wooden windows with PVC, new doors or external painting.