



# Local Heritage Planning – Guidance 1

## How local history and heritage learning support schools when Ofsted inspects

### The Quality of Education and the Curriculum

The curriculum, including the requirements of the National Curriculum, has always mattered and this is central to inspection practice.

### Curriculum Intent – Be Ambitious!

Your school context includes your school's unique locality and its heritage.

Top Tip: Your local, natural and built environment and its heritage, contribute to who your children are. Therefore, it will influence how and what you want them to learn in order to prepare them for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of adult life.

### Create a Broad and Balanced Curriculum for All

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Local history and heritage learning provide many opportunities for curriculum depth because they can be easily revisited throughout the spiral curriculum and specific topics can be focused upon and explored with incremental knowledge and skills.

### Build a Connected and Coherent Curriculum

Use your local context!

Top Tips:

- Your local context can act as one of the 'golden threads' that binds your curriculum together.
- Use local history and heritage learning to connect the curriculum – put them at the heart of what you offer the pupils.

### Curriculum Implementation and Impact

For many pupils, local history is memorable because it is inherently fascinating and immediate because it is all around them. It helps make studying the past more meaningful, so knowledge related to local history and heritage learning sticks more easily!

### Behaviour and Attitudes

Local history and heritage learning can help improve pupils' attitudes to learning because it is about their place.

### Personal Development

Putting your locality, its history and heritage, at the heart of your curriculum can boost opportunities for pupils to strengthen their personal development, cultural capital, their SMSC development which helps prepare them for life in modern Britain.

### Leadership and Management

Attending or delivering local history continuing professional development [CPD], that links directly to the curriculum, is good evidence for Ofsted inspection.