

What is a Conservation Area?

Under the terms of the Civic Amenities Act, 1967, the Local Planning Authority was required to identify areas of special architectural or historic interest, whose character or appearance it would be desirable to preserve or enhance, and to designate them Conservation Areas.

Brooke Conservation Area was designated, following public discussion, in November 1975. It included the historic settlement round the road crossing and along The Street and High Green, together with the woods and parkland immediately to the south which form an important backcloth to the village. It also included several areas of modern development within the historic settlement.

Brooke was chosen for its particular character. This could easily be eroded and every effort to retain it should be made.

The first re-appraisal was in 1990 and resulted in the conservation area being extended to the south and east to include part of the parish of Kirstead.

The status is currently under review by South Norfolk District Council for re-appraisal and consultation.