

## The Conservation Area

The [Bosham Conservation Area Character Appraisal](#) and associated map cover the historic core of the village around the church, the quay, the millstream and medieval meadows.

Conservation areas are designated by local planning authorities as areas of special architectural or historic interest the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance, and there are now more than 8,000 throughout the country.

The Bosham Conservation Area was first designated in October 1969 (at that time by West Sussex County Council) and has subsequently gone through several reviews and amendments. The last review was conducted by members of the Bosham Association and the Parish Council before adoption by the Chichester District Council and strengthened with the addition of Article 4 Directions (August 2013).

Article 4 directions specific to [conservation areas](#) withdraw certain permitted development rights in respect of dwelling houses for specified classes of minor alterations and extensions, such as porches, replacement of windows and doors and painting of the exterior of a building.