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Flixton and
Urmston



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TRAFFORD LOCAL LIST – FLIXTON AND URMSTON

Historical Overview of Flixton and Urmston

The Flixton and Urmston area may have been inhabited during the Neolithic and Bronze Ages. Stone axes have been found on the banks of the River Mersey in Flixton, as well as on the banks of the River Irwell in Old Trafford. Medieval Flixton was one of several parishes which existed in the Hundred of Salford. The parish encompassed the manors of Urmston and Flixton; the latter is first mentioned between 1189 and 1181 and was granted by the Mascy family of Dunham. The manor of Flixton's boundaries are unclear, although they were perhaps formed by a mixture of natural and man-made features including Carr Ditch, which divided Flixton and Urmston. St Michael's Church is also first recorded at about the same time, although the building may date from an earlier period. The parish comprised isolated farmsteads and a medieval manor house, rather than a village centre.

An early mention of Flixton appears in the early 14th-century *Testa de Nevil*, which includes the entry: 'Albert Gredle, sen., gave to Henry, son of Siward, one carucate of land in Flixton by 10s. yearly. The heirs hold that land.' The manor of Flixton was, for a time, controlled by the Grelleys, Barons of Manchester. Robert of Lathom, who inherited the manor, granted the parish of Flixton to the newly created Burscough Priory, located near Ormskirk, in 1190. The Grelleys may not have been Flixton manor's only masters, as in 1250–1251 part of the area came into the possession of David de Hulton. The Hultons united what in the 12th century was a fragmented manor. In 1330 they sub-let one half of it to the Valentine family and the other to two branches of the Radcliffe family.

Flixton's population remained fairly stable until the end of the 17th century, when, along with other nearby parishes, it began to rise steadily. It was by that time a small hamlet, with several buildings around the parish church and its parsonage. Flixton remained an exception to the trend locally for rapid expansion during the early 19th century, its population growing by only 22 per cent between 1801 and 1851, but its connection to the railway network in 1873 helped transform the area into a middle-class suburb.

The history and development of Urmston follows a very similar pattern to that of Flixton. Urmston is thought to have early medieval origins, and the manor was rented by a family using the local surname. The earliest known member of the Urmston family is Richard de Urmston, who was recorded in 1193–94 as giving 40 shillings 'for having the king's good will'.

Urmston Old Hall was the home of the manorial lord, and a centre of power in the area during the Middle Ages. The Old Hall was completely rebuilt in brick and timber in the late 16th century. New Croft Hall, also in Urmston, was the residence of a wealthy freeman and may have been moated. Urmston was only one of three manors in Trafford to have had two medieval halls. Urmston remained a small farming community until the early 19th century, when weaving became a significant source of employment, although this later declined due to competition from large industry. In 1848, the population was recorded as being 771, with around 80% of the land being farmed. The arrival of the railway in 1873 acted as a catalyst for rapid growth, transforming the village into a residence for the middle classes.

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Candidates for Local Listing in Flixton

Property Name	26 The Village – HER 18504.1.0
Property Address	26 The Village, Flixton M41 6HS
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> This impressive building was erected in the early 20th century as a motoring inn and was known previously as the Greyhound Hotel. Motoring inns were built from the early 20th century as more people began to own vehicles and a network of inns were needed to provide roadside refreshment, accommodation and services. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A large building with two substantial projecting bays of brick below two timber-framed gable ends in an Arts and Crafts style, providing a fine example of Arts and Crafts architecture. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building is considered to be a positive contributor within the Flixton Conservation Area, and adds to the aesthetic quality of the local streetscape. <i>Rarity Value:</i> A rare surviving example of an early 20th-century motoring inn. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a strong group value with other 19th-century buildings in the historic core of Flixton, including 350 Church Road, Holly Bank, the Church Inn and the Grade II listed Larkrise and 16 The Village. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The building is a prominent feature of the local landscape and makes a positive contribution to the historic character of the area.
Locally List?	YES



Property Name	350 Church Road – HER 18505.1.0	
Property Address	350 Church Road, Flixton M41 6HR	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> This private residence on the north side of Church Road is the last surviving element of St Michael's School, which was built in 1861 but was demolished in the 1930s. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The house has an L-shaped plan with a projecting front gable end and polychromatic brickwork above the windows, including some herringbone pattern. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building is considered to be a positive contributor within the Flixton Conservation Area for its prominence along Church Road, its association with the 1860s school, its architectural value and its contribution to the character and appearance of the conservation area. <i>Group Value:</i> 350 Church Road has a strong group value with other 19th-century buildings in the historic core of Flixton, including 26 The Village, Holly Bank, the Church Inn and the Grade II listed Larkrise and 16 The Village. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The building is prominent on this stretch of Flixton Road, projecting closer to the road than the adjacent modern houses.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Holly Bank – HER 18506.1.0	
Property Address	8, The Village, Flixton	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Holly Bank is a private residence on the far western corner of the Flixton Conservation Area. The attractive property dates to c. 1825 and was known formerly as The Old Rectory. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building of three bays in chequered red and buff brick with slate roofs, set back from the road. The property retains its original low boundary wall. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building is considered to be a positive contributor within the Flixton Conservation Area for its architectural value and its contribution to the character and appearance of the conservation area. <i>Group Value:</i> Holly Bank has a strong group value with other 19th-century buildings in the historic core of Flixton, including 26 The Village, 350 Church Road, the Church Inn and the Grade II listed Larkrise and 16 The Village.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Church Inn – HER 7276.3.0	
Property Address	34 Church Road, Flixton M41 6HS	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Originally named ‘The Dog and Partridge’, the pub still retains many original features, including as the cobbles at its frontage. The pub stands on a raised spot overlooking the original Church Road, which is now a layby. Although a pub on this site dates back to 1731, the original building is more modern, reflecting its rebuilding in 1924 with timber-framed front façade and rendered rear elevations. <i>Local Interest:</i> The pub’s curved frontage follows the original alignment of Church Road before widening during the 1950s. In the past the pub has been used as a site for auctions, and as the place where Flixton squire Ralph Wright held manorial court meetings. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building is considered to be a positive contributor within the Flixton Conservation Area and helps to define the historic character of this part of Flixton Village. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The Church Inn is an important local amenity for people living in the village. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The pub stands in a commanding position on slightly raised ground at the top of Church Road, next to St Michael’s Church in the oldest part of Flixton. It is a local landmark which dominates this part of Church Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Shell	
Property Address	34 Church Road, Flixton M41 6HS	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The 'Shell' is a small metal structure in the form of a scallop shell. It is fixed in the angle where the east wall of the Church Inn meets the north wall of St Michael's Church graveyard. Its origin and purpose are uncertain, though photographs date it back to at least 1907. It may once have hidden a water tap, but local opinion holds that it was placed as a deterrent to drinkers who might be tempted to relieve themselves against the churchyard wall.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Ambleside House – HER 18507.1.0	
Property Address	26 Ambleside Road, Flixton M41 6PH	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Ambleside House is a striking Victorian residence built for a wealthy local family. As well as being a private residence, the building has served as Council offices, a centre for Christian worship and a residential home for older people. Although the property has been changed and altered, its striking frontage and interesting history make an important building that adds to the character of Flixton. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The original part of the building comprises a two-storey, double-fronted residence of brick construction with a pitched slate roof. <i>Local Interest:</i> The house was one of the first to be erected in the locale and predates Ambleside Road, which presumably takes its name from the house; it was accessed originally via a drive from Western Road. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The house and its front garden make a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality and historic character of Church Road. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The building is a striking feature on Ambleside Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Flixton House Gardens – HER 1227.2.0	
Property Address	Flixton Road, Flixton M41 5GY	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Flixton House and gardens were built in 1806 by the Wright family. The gardens opened as a public park when the house and grounds were acquired by Urmston Urban District Council in 1935. <i>Local Interest:</i> The bee garden was created as a memorial to the victims of the Manchester Arena attack. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The park includes a walled garden, rose garden, sensory garden and memorial bee garden and makes a very positive contribution to the quality and historic character of the area. The park was awarded its first Green Flag in 2018. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The park is a much-loved feature of the area and, since 2017, has been tended by the Friends of Flixton Gardens. <i>Group Value:</i> The park has a high group value with the Grade II listed Flixton House and the Grade II listed wall along the north side of the gardens. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The park is a notable local landmark.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Railway Tavern – HER 18508.1.0	 
Property Address	142 Irlam Road, Flixton M41 6NA	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The railway tavern dates to the later part of the 19th century; it is mentioned in the Census returns for 1871. The tavern originated as an alehouse that sold beer to those travelling to and from Irlam via the nearby ferry across the River Irwell. The pub site is modelled around several cottages which over time have been adapted to form the present building. Although named the 'Railway Tavern', the pub is not close to any railway line. However, the name is probably attributed to the fine view which once existed over fields towards the Cheshire Lines Railway, constructed in the 1870s. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The pub buildings have a cottage-type appearance suggesting that although rebuilt in around 1900, the premises basically consisted of several cottages which were combined and remodelled to form a public house. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building make a positive contribution to the historic character of the area. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The Railway Tavern is an important amenity for people living in the village, and has served local residents for well over a century. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The pub is a prominent feature on Irlam Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Strathdene – HER 18509.1.0	
Property Address	80 Irlam Road, Flixton M41 6JT	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The date of construction is unclear, although probably built during the late 19th century. The location of the property amongst several other large Victorian villas reflects the growth of this part of Flixton in the later 19th century as a popular location for wealthy merchants and professional people, who sought the benefits of a more rural quiet lifestyle from city dwellers in Manchester. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A well-proportioned property, retaining original boundary features including stone gateposts. <i>Local Interest:</i> A large Victorian villa house typical of a style built for wealth families during the late 19th century. The location of the house in this part of Flixton recognises the relative close proximity to Flixton railway station, as well as at the time of its construction the largely rural nature of the area. However it is also important to note that during this time Flixton was the centre of the area with a cotton mill on nearby Flixton Road. The existence of a growing township with a resident workforce would have encouraged the growth of services such as those provided by the doctors who operated from these premises. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> A handsome Victorian villa-style house with front garden and low boundary wall that dominates this part of Irlam Road and makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality of the area.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Houghton House – HER 18510.1.0	 
Property Address	63 Irlam Road, Flixton M41 6JU	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A detached Victorian house that is shown on the Ordnance Survey 1:2500 map of 1898. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A double-fronted, two-storey detached house with a single-storey outshut to the rear, connected to the main house with a catslide roof. Unusually, the gable end of the house fronts onto Irlam Road. <i>Local Interest:</i> Houghton House is one of the oldest properties surviving along this section of Irlam Road. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> Houghton House brings some aesthetic quality to this section of Irlam Road, which is dominated by buildings of a later date.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Flixton Grange – HER 18511.1.0	 
Property Address	1 Grange Avenue, Flixton M41 6QE	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A house constructed as a family residence by a wealthy local timber merchant. The house was built in the late 19th century when following the opening of the Cheshire Lines railway (1873) the area around Urmston and Flixton had become more accessible from Manchester. As a result a number of the new wealthy families decided to move from the increasingly highly populated city to live into what were then the quieter and more rural surroundings of Flixton. Flixton Grange is an excellent representation of this movement. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> Constructed in a half-timbered Jacobean style containing many interesting architectural features reminiscent of the period. These include external half-timber wall panelling, and tall chimney stacks. <i>Local Interest:</i> The house was built around 1893 for James Hammer Ashton on the site of what was then known as Green Lodge Farm, which Ashton purchased during the early 1860's. James Ashton was a wealthy local timber merchant. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> Flixton Grange is an important part of this area of Flixton. Its location at the top of Irlam Road and its partial black and white timbered appearance are striking, adding to the quality of this part of the area which contains several other imposing late Victorian villa properties nearby. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The building is a very prominent feature of Grange Avenue.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Bird l'th' Hand Hotel – HER 18513.1.0	 
Property Address	Flixton Road, Flixton M41 5DN	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Ambrose Smith was the proprietor in 1881, and he was granted permission to rebuild the pub in 1898 as the building had been in existence for over 200 years. The public house is marked on the Ordnance Survey 1st edition 1:2500 map of 1890, although the footprint of the building is shown to have been enlarged considerably on the next edition of mapping, published in 1908, confirming the documentary evidence for reconstruction. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building retains a level of historic fabric and historic architectural detail which make a positive contribution to the surrounding area. <i>Local Interest:</i> The first billiard table open to the public in Flixton was to be found at the Bird in Hand in 1898. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The building has served many community uses for well over a century, and continues to serve local people today. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The public house makes a very positive contribution to the historic character of the area, and provides a rare local example of exuberant late Victorian architecture. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The public house has an imposing presence on Flixton Road, occupying a prominent location close to the junction with Bowfell Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Abbotsford Preparatory School – HER 18514.1.0
Property Address	211 Flixton Road, Flixton M41 5PR
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> This two-storey building has served several different purposes since it was first constructed. Originally built as a drill hall that opened in 1938 as a base for local units of the territorial army, the facilities included a mess, storage, and office space with a range for gun practice. Drill halls came into existence following the formation of large numbers of rifle and artillery volunteer units in 1859-60, representing a concerted effort by the authorities to create a reserve of men with military training, arranged along the lines of the regular Army. These units required a large, open space within which to practice, secure storage for weapons and a covered area for drilling. The Victoria County History records a drill hall in Flixton, housing a company of the 1st Volunteer Battalion Manchester Regiment as far back as 1872. The building is now a private preparatory school. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The façade on the Flixton Road frontage is built in a Neo-Georgian style, typical of drill halls. Over the main door to what is now the Preparatory School there are two military insignia (the Lancashire Fusiliers and the Royal Engineers) set into the concrete. <i>Archaeological Interest:</i> The drill hall was built on the footprint of Flixton Cotton Mill, below-ground remains of which may survive beneath the recreation area to the rear of the building.



	<i>Local Interest:</i> Built in 1938 as a drill hall on a part of the site of the former Flixton cotton mill (the only mill ever established in Flixton, demolished in 1935). The drill hall replaced an earlier drill hall on this site, which was erected to the rear of the cotton mill in 1873. The current building was also the Headquarters of the 44th Lancashire Home Guard and was occupied by the Territorial Army until 1967. It was purchased by the Urmston Council in 1969. <i>Rarity Value:</i> The building is a fine example of a former drill hall, a monument type that is relatively rare in the Manchester area. Amongst the few other examples are those on Burlington Street in Manchester and Cross Lane in Salford. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The building has served many community uses, and continues to serve local people today. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The building has an imposing presence on Flixton Road, and makes a very positive contribution to the historic character of the area.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Brook Road Methodist Church – HER 18515.1.0	
Property Address	Brook Road, Flixton M41 5RQ	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A local Wesleyan Methodist Church close to the boundary between Flixton and Davyhulme, which was built to serve the needs of both communities. It was established to meet the increasing size of the local congregation at a time when Wesleyanism was spreading particularly amongst artisans and workers, was created as a result of this growth. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building was constructed as a Sunday school/community building in a style common to many properties of this type and was designed to match the (then) nearby neighbouring Wesleyan Church of which it was part. A report in the <i>Manchester Guardian</i> of 1904 says ‘The chapel is of pretty design. The principal entrances are surmounted by a large arched traceried window and canopied gable terminal. The centre bay is flanked by octagonal buttresses carried up and pinnacle. The organ chamber and choir gallery are placed behind the rostrum. There is a gallery round, and a deacons’ vestry, minister’s vestry and meeting room are provided. Externally the building is faced with Accrington bricks, the mouldings and dressings being in Accrington terracotta’. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the historic character of the area. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The building is a notable historic landmark on Brook Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Former CWS (Co-op) Building – HER 18516.1.0	
Property Address	42-44 Brook Road, Flixton M41 5RY	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Designed in a standard manner for this type of building, 42 – 44 Brook Road consists of two shop units within one building. The ground-floor units are separated by a street-level delivery entrance providing access to the rear yard area. Originally part of the Eccles Co-operative, the Flixton branch on Brook Road was established around 1897, with the current building dating from approximately 1906. The building was organised on the basis of a grocers' store on the left and butchers to the right. At the entrance to the butcher's side there is a tiled floor mosaic, which reads 'butchering'. Other original internal tiled features exist. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building is a good example of how the area developed during the early years of the 20th century, during which the population continued to expand and the area moved from a rural farming community to one in which people increasingly worked. <i>Landmark Status:</i> A notable building on Brook Road that dominates the local residential streetscape.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	62 Chassen Road – HER 18517.1.0	
Property Address	62 Chassen Road, Flixton M41 9DY	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A 19th-century detached cottage. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A detached, two-storey cottage with a single-storey extension to the rear. <i>Local Interest:</i> The cottage is one of the oldest properties on Chassen Road, and originally formed part of the Shaw Town rural hamlet. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a positive contribution to the historic character of the area. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The cottage is a notable building on this section of Chassen Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Roebuck Hotel – HER 7275.1.0	
Property Address	Church Road, Flixton M41 6HD	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The Roebuck, then just known as ‘The Buck’ in Shaw Town (originally a distinct farming hamlet, now part of Flixton) was first licensed in 1788, although the current building dates to c. 1900 and enlarged to include a billiard room in 1909. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A large, two-storey public house built with a combination of red and cream-coloured brick that is put to good decorative effect, together with sandstone lintels and sills. The façade overlooking Church Road features two canted bays finished with mock-Tudor timber. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building is considered to be a positive contributor within the Flixton Conservation Area and helps to define the historic character of this part of Flixton Village. <i>Local Interest:</i> The Roebuck has occupied this site since around 1788, adding to the local facilities in the farming hamlet of Shaw Town midway between Flixton and Urmston. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The Roebuck Hotel and its historic bowling green to the rear is an important local amenity, and has served the local community for over a century. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The pub stands in a commanding position at the junction of Chassen Road with Church Road. The pub is unusual in that it retains its bowling green, which is in regular use during the summer.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Shaw Town Farm – HER 7756.1.0	
Property Address	131 Church Road, Flixton M41 9ET	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The building was constructed around 1839 as a farmhouse. This date can be seen from the stone plaque attached to the front of the building which carries the initials 'JMW' and the date of 1839. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A fine example of double-fronted Georgian dwelling. <i>Local Interest:</i> Aside from the nearby Roebuck pub, the building is all that remains of Shaw Town (also spelt Shawe Town, or Shawtown), once a small farming hamlet located midway between Flixton and Urmston. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building provides a link to the area's rural past, showing how this consisted of several farming communities, which before the arrival of the railway and other transport means, were interlinked by lanes and field pathways. <i>Landmark Status:</i> Shaw Town House lies at an angle to Church Road in contrast to all the surrounding, and later, properties. This emphasises the historic character of the building.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Milestone – HER 18518.1.0	
Property Address	Bowfell Road, Urmston (SJ 75471 94961)	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A milestone on Bowfell Road that dates back to 1937. It commemorates the opening of the road, on one of its three sides, by the Vice Chair for the Lancashire County Council A. P. MacDonald JP. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The stone shows Urmston and indicates mileage to both Manchester 9½ and Barton Bridge 2¼. The reverse side of the stone is 8 miles from Lymm and 32 from Chester. <i>Local Interest:</i> The milestone makes a positive contribution to the historic character of Bowfell Road. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The milestone makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality of Bowfell Road. <i>Rarity Value:</i> An unusual type of milestone. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The milestone was designed to act as a landmark for travellers, a function that it continues to fulfil.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Irlam Locks – HER 18519.1.0	 
Property Address	Irlam Road, Trafford M44 6RT	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Irlam Locks were built as part of the Manchester Ship Canal in 1893. They form part of a system of locks which allow the canal to rise 60 feet between Eastham on the Wirral and the docks at Salford. A set of five roller sluice gates is also present at Irlam to regulate the canal level, with an attractive five span masonry arch bridge for use by the public. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The site comprises two ship locks of different dimensions and five sluice gates that control the water levels for the Ship Canal. <i>Local Interest:</i> Planning consent was gained in 2018 to develop a hydropower scheme at the locks. <i>Aesthetic Interest:</i> The locks are characterful and signify a largely bygone era that should remain protected and / or enhanced. <i>Group Value:</i> The locks have a high group value with other historic elements of the Manchester Ship Canal. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The locks and the Manchester Ship Canal are dominating features of the local landscape.	
Locally List?	YES	

Candidates for Local Listing in Urmston

Property Name	Former Royal Bank of Scotland – HER 18520.1.0
Property Address	2 Crofts Bank Road, Urmston M41 0TU
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The building was erected in 1898, and at first was occupied as an ironmonger's shop. Around 1908 the building became William's & Deacon's Bank, the lettering of which is faintly visible on the building today. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building is built in red brick with characterful white stone facing, which includes the word 'Bank' over the doorway. The building also incorporates interesting design features, such as the floral pattern brick facing on the Crofts Bank Road elevation, and a small balcony/outdoor area on the second floor. The side elevation along Railway Road includes a single-storey section that features a bay window. This section is separated from the pavement by a low red brick wall with gateposts. <i>Local Interest:</i> William's & Deacon's bank had strong connections with Manchester having been acquired by the Manchester and Salford Bank around 1890. Opening a branch in Urmston demonstrates strong confidence in the prosperity of the area, as well as meeting the banking needs of businesses and residents. This was a time when local retail banking was increasing on local high streets.



	<i>Group Value:</i> The building is part of a town centre consisting of an intricate range of shops and commercial premises, mostly constructed over a 50 year period between 1875 and 1925, reflecting the growth of the town. This building acts as a key cornerstone of this retail high street. <i>Landmark Status:</i> Located at a key crossroad in Urmston town centre, this handsome former bank building dominates this part of the local high street, helping to define its character as a centre for local business and commerce.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Former Ridings Store and Showroom – HER 18521.1.0	 
Property Address	5-7 Higher Road, Urmston M41 9SB	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A large three-storey building dating to c. 1932. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> This building is designed in a striking Art Deco style with curved frontage which follows the alignment of the roadways where it is located. The building has a flat roof appearance, with square features adding to its unique quality, and marking out its status as an expression of the Art Deco style. The architect for the building was William Harry Longworth, who also produced designs for several other buildings in the area. <i>Local Interest:</i> Operating from the early 1930s Ridings was a popular carpet and furniture retailer, with a number of stores located in Manchester and its outlying districts. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The Art Deco style and location of the building highlight its importance to the definition and character of this part of the area. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has strong group value given its curving style and location near the centre of Urmston. Additionally the building compliments the nearby former Crown Post Office Building (constructed 1939), which is now a pub/bar/restaurant. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The building occupies a prominent location at the junction of Higher Road with Station Road and is a local landmark.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Gloucester House – HER 18522.1.0
Property Address	17 Station Road, Urmston M41 9JS
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A large Victorian house of high quality built in c.1880 to an interesting style with many unique architectural features. It also retains its historic boundary wall and gate posts. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> Gloucester House is a large two-storey red brick house, with half-timbered features and many interesting decorative adornments including especially tall stylist chimney blocks and a mock coats of arms. <i>Local Interest:</i> Built in c.1880 as both a family home and a doctors' practice. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The interesting architectural style of Gloucester House makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality of Station Road, helping to define the historic character of the area. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The position of the house on the corner of Station Road and Gloucester Road dominates this part of Urmston. The house is immediately visible on entering this part of the town centre enhancing its visual importance. As such this striking property is of great importance to the character of this part of Urmston town centre.
Locally List?	YES



Property Name	14-16 Station Road – HER 18523.1.0	
Property Address	14-16 Station Road, Urmston M41 9JN	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A pair of Victorian shop units of almost identical build which contain many unique and charming features including date plaques (1887 and 1889). They reflect the commercial growth of Urmston town centre, which expanded rapidly in the late 19th century. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The buildings are constructed in red brick and have ornate chimneys and date plaques and other decorative architectural elements. The overall effect forms a design which appears to have Flemish style and influence – maybe a making a statement of mercantile identity, reflecting the character of purpose of premises. The Flemish influence is apparent in the high gables and many decorative features which are incorporated into the brickwork. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The two shops are of an interesting and unique design on the high street. They have been in continual use as commercial premises housing businesses that have served the local community, a role which continues today. The quality of the design and the interesting architectural features contribute to the identity of this part of the town centre.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Gladstone Buildings – HER 18524.1.0	
Property Address	26-30 Station Road, Urmston M41 9JQ	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Located on Station Road close to Urmston old Police Station, at the entrance to Urmston town centre, 'Gladstone Buildings' is a handsome red brick building constructed in the late 19th century as Urmston Liberal Club. In addition to the social aspects of the building associated with the club, this also provided a permanent base and headquarters for the Liberal Party in the area. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> This attractive and well-designed building is constructed in red Accrington style brick with two upper two storeys. An examination of the building's frontage shows many interesting features including a Romanesque entrance, either side of which are pillars each containing a stone tablet. These latter features once held details of the date and opening of the building, which sadly are no longer visible due to stonework erosion. Above the entrance doorway is a small balcony feature which adds to the building's attraction. Additionally, the building has many other details in its brick façade including a stone panel at second floor level which confidently communicates its name as, 'Gladstone Buildings'. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building appears to have been designed to make a statement about the popularity of the Liberal Party at that time, and how this was seen as an essential part of a modern and successful Manchester suburb for the aspiring middle class of the area. <i>Landmark Status:</i> It is a notable feature of Station Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	47 Station Road – HER 18525.1.0	
Property Address	47 Station Road, Urmston M41 9JG	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> This building of unusual design and was built as a temperance billiard hall in 1909. Latterly it became a roller skating rink, a supermarket and a restaurant. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> A single-storey former billiard hall of an unusual and distinctive Art Nouveau pavilion style design. Built by the Temperance Billiard Hall Company Ltd, who employed Norman Evans as their first in-house architect. It is most likely that Evans designed the Urmston building, which is very similar to a former temperance billiard hall he designed in Chorlton (now a Weatherspoon pub - built 1907). Evans designed around 18 billiard halls for the company from 1906-11, both in London and in the north of England. It is in a pavilion style with red tiled, curved and domed roof formed by internal wooden beams. There are bow windows on either side at first-floor level. Above the entrance there is a Venetian-style window with stained glass features. These windows are framed by wooden pillars which add to the decorative value and interest. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building as the home of Terry's of Urmston, a store that sold a wide range of products including many low cost and end of line products at cheap prices. Known locally as the "arrods' of the north'. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building makes a very positive contribution to the historic character of the town centre. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The building occupies an important spot at the entrance to the town centre, facing the old police station.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Urmston Old Police Station – HER 18526.1.0	 
Property Address	34 Station Road, Urmston M41 9JQ	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A well-preserved example of an Edwardian police station dating to 1904. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The Old Police Station was designed by Henry Littler (II), who was the architect for numerous police stations across Lancashire. The building is of high quality, being constructed in red brick, and finished with interesting stonework features in honey coloured sandstone. Many of these stonework features are in a gothic revival style, some of which seem to be inspired by a fortification, including mock arrow loops and a mock portcullis design; possibly reinforcing the building's purpose as a centre for local law and order. Described by architectural historian Nikolaus Pevsner as 'uncommonly pretty'. <i>Local Interest:</i> This building marks the development of Urmston town centre, and its place as the administrative 'hub' of the local district. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The quality of the design and the interesting architectural features of the police station contribute to the identity of this part of the town centre. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The prominent location of the building at the junction of Church Road, Flixton Road and Stretford Road, and the quality of its design and construction, make it an important local landmark.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Urmston Finger Signpost – HER 18527.1.0
Property Address	Church Road, Urmston
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A cast-iron finger-style signpost first erected by the Urmston Urban District Council. Situated outside the Edwardian police station. <i>Group Value:</i> The signpost is located at the junction of three busy roads close to Urmston town centre - Stretford Road, Church Road and Station Road. It stands just outside the site of the old police station, which in many ways it compliments, in terms of style and possible age. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The fingerpost makes a very positive contribution to the aesthetic character of the historic street scene. <i>Rarity Value:</i> Very few historic fingerposts survive in the local area. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The prominent location of the fingerpost at the junction of Church Road, Flixton Road and Stretford Road, makes it an important local landmark.
Locally List?	YES



Property Name	49 Church Road – HER 18528.1.0	
Property Address	49 Church Road, Urmston M41 9FH	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A detached house forming one of several Victorian villa properties built on this section of Church Road, but with a large number of original features surviving. The windows including window frames main glazing and stained glass panels, for instance, are all original. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The property is constructed in brickwork of different styles and colours and with several rosette type features. Additionally the property features ‘mock Tudor’ type gables and fine ridge tiles, which match the villa style design. The house retains its front garden. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building typifies this part of Urmston, which developed from a largely rural farming settlement, into a residential suburb of Manchester after the opening of the Cheshire lines railway in 1873. It is unusual, however, to find a house of this period with so few changes from the way it was originally presented. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The quality of the design and the interesting architectural features make a positive contribution to the identity of this part of Urmston.	
Locally List?	YES	

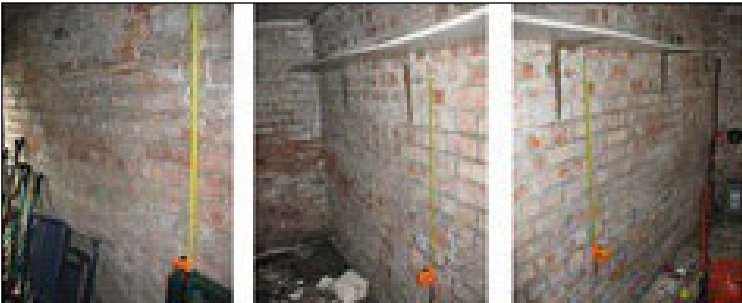
Property Name	Urmston Unitarian Church – HER 18529.1.0	
Property Address	12 Queen's Road, Urmston M41 9HA	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The Urmston Unitarian congregation was originally formed in 1894 when Urmston was transforming from a farming community, into a suburb for Manchester businessmen. Ensured of a congregation, the church was built in 1899 and officially opened in 1901. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The church occupies a compact site close to Urmston town centre and is constructed in red brick with arched windows and a doorway to match. The building has a small tower feature at the centre of its roof. Internally, the church has simple features illuminated by the large windows. The church has an organ that was moved from Bradford, Manchester in 1951. This historic brick-built boundary wall survives intact. <i>Local Interest:</i> This is a religious building constructed by a non-conformist denomination, reflecting the growth and increasing diversity of religious worship in Urmston. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The church makes a very positive contribution to the historic character of the area. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The church is an important community asset; still operating as a Unitarian church, the building also houses dancing classes and other events, and for many years has been used as a polling station. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The church is a notable feature of Queen's Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Lord Nelson – HER 7295.1.0	
Property Address	49 Stretford Road, Urmston M41 9LG	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The Lord Nelson was built by local businessman George Royle around 1805, and was remodelled in 1877. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building was constructed over three storeys and although originally finished in natural brick was later covered with a white render. Many original features exist internally, including stained glass windows, original woodwork and tiles floors. The frontage has a central arched doorway set between marble type columns supporting large windows either side. Directly above the doorway is a garlanded half-bust sculptural image, supposedly representing Nelson. Horton and Bridgford were the architects for the 1870s rebuild. <i>Local Interest:</i> The pub was still owned by the Royle family in the late 19th century; George Royle's grandson had the pub rebuilt, accounting for its late Victorian style of architecture. To the rear of the pub is a large open area which at one time provided a bowling green. Additionally, at one side of the building is a small cobbled courtyard. It is reported that the cruel activity of bear baiting was once undertaken here. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The pub continues to function as an important community asset. <i>Landmark Status:</i> Given its location, striking external features and local historical associations, the Lord Nelson pub is regarded as a local landmark of Urmston.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	33 - 35 Stretford Road – HER 18338.1.0	
Property Address	33 - 35 Stretford Road, Urmston M41 9JY	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A pair of three-storey (plus basement) semi-detached villa-type houses that are first shown on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:2500 map of 1898. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The fabric of the building comprises for the most part cream-coloured brick with red brick used as 'quoins' and window surrounds and lintels. The property retains a low boundary wall to Stretford Road and gateposts, all in stone. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building typifies this part of Urmston, which developed from a largely rural farming settlement, into a residential suburb of Manchester after the opening of the Cheshire lines railway in 1873. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The quality of the design and the interesting architectural features make a positive contribution to the identity of this part of Urmston.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	37 - 39 Stretford Road – HER 18339.1.0
Property Address	37 - 39 Stretford Road, Urmston M41 9JY
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A pair of three-storey (plus basement) semi-detached villa-type houses that are first shown on the Ordnance Survey 1st Edition 1:2500 map of 1898. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The fabric of the building comprises for the most part cream-coloured brick with red brick used as 'quoins' and window surrounds and lintels. The property retains a low boundary wall to Stretford Road and gateposts, all in stone. <i>Local Interest:</i> The building typifies this part of Urmston, which developed from a largely rural farming settlement, into a residential suburb of Manchester after the opening of the Cheshire lines railway in 1873. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The quality of the design and the interesting architectural features make a positive contribution to the identity of this part of Urmston.
Locally List?	YES



Property Name	Air-raid Shelter – HER 18530.1.0	 
Property Address	31 Cumberland Road, Urmston	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> An air-raid shelter deriving from the Second World War, representing a rare local survivor of civil defence measures from the period. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The existing rectangular structure was aligned north/south and measured 4.5m x 2.18m x 2.07m high. Made from common brick 9" x 4¼" x 27/8" thick laid as a three course English Garden Bond, to give a solid wall 0.34m thick. The only aperture was a doorway 0.80m wide x 1.70m high in the east side of the north wall. This was protected by an anti-blast wall by extending the east wall to the north by 1.07m and then running a wall westward parallel to the north wall for the full width of the shelter. A passageway 0.59m wide was thus formed to the door. The anti-blast wall had been demolished at some point after the end of the war and the detailed dimensions were obtained from the footprint, which remained. The roof is made of concrete, together with the foundation plinth. A compensating door sill in concrete helped to prevent flooding. <i>Rarity Value:</i> very few air-raid shelters survive intact locally.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Urmston Cemetery, Chapels and Gates – HER 18531.1.0	 
Property Address	Queen's Road, Urmston M41 9HF	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The cemetery opened in November 1892. The cemetery is first shown on the Ordnance Survey 1st Revision 1:2500 map of 1908, which depicts two cojoined mortuary chapels in the centre, one intended for non-conformists and the second for Church of England parishioners. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The two mortuary chapels and the registrar's house were designed in 1892 by the architectural practice of Whittenbury & Mather on behalf of the Urmston Burial Board. This short-lived Manchester-based practice was responsible for designed several churches in Urmston. <i>Local Interest:</i> The cemetery contains war graves of both World Wars. In addition to the 1939-45 service burials, the cemetery also contains the grave of an ex-serviceman whose death was not due to war service. <i>Archaeological Interest:</i> Remains deriving from Romano-British settlement in the area have been found at the cemetery, which was also the site of Urmston Old Hall. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The cemetery, its two chapels, the registrar's house / lodge and the entrance gates have a strong group value and cumulatively make a very positive contribution to the quality and historic character of the area. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The cemetery is an important local landmark.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Urmston Cemetery Lodge - HER 18531.2.0
Property Address	Queen's Road, Urmston M41 9HF
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The cemetery opened in November 1892, and the lodge / registrar's house is likely to be an original component. The cemetery lodge is first shown on the Ordnance Survey 1st Revision 1:2500 map of 1908, occupying the same footprint as the current building. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The registrar's house were designed in 1892 by the architectural practice of Whittenbury & Mather on behalf of the Urmston Burial Board. This short-lived Manchester-based practice was responsible for designed several churches in Urmston. <i>Local Interest:</i> The cemetery contains war graves of both World Wars. In addition to the 1939-45 service burials, the cemetery also contains the grave of an ex-serviceman whose death was not due to war service. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The house, together with the cemetery gates and chapels, make a very positive contribution to the quality and historic character of the area. <i>Group Value:</i> The lodge / registrar's house has a strong group value with the cemetery, its two chapels, and the entrance gates. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The lodge is an important local landmark.
Locally List?	YES



Property Name	Greenfield Church - HER 18532.1.0	
Property Address	Primrose Avenue, Urmston M41 0TY	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The church is identified as a Baptist Chapel on the Ordnance Survey 1:2500 map of 1908, representing one of the earliest buildings in the locale. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The church is a good example of an Edwardian non-conformist place of worship. <i>Group Value:</i> The church and the former Urmston Cottage hospital constitute a small group of buildings from the late Victorian era in this part of the district, not far from Urmston town centre. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The church has served local religious communities form more than a century. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The church is a notable feature of Primrose Avenue.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Former Cottage Hospital – HER 18533.1.0	
Property Address	Greenfield Avenue, Urmston M41 0XN	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A former cottage hospital dated 1897 and 1899, and opened in 1900 as a general voluntary hospital with ten beds. The hospital was erected by the local community in commemoration of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee at a cost of £1,200. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The hospital was designed by Edward Hewitt of Manchester, and is of three bays with a central shaped gable and a frieze with the words 'Cottage Hospital'. It is of a standard late Victorian gothic type and was designed to have accommodation for patients as well as for its matron and nursing staff. A maternity wing extension was designed in 1937 by architect Frank Hearne. <i>Local Interest:</i> Urmston Cottage Hospital was the first local hospital in the area, reflecting its development as a town of significance with a growing population. Its construction was part of a Jubilee project to provide nursing care for those without help at home. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The cottage hospital was one of the first buildings to be erected on Greenfield Avenue, which is reflected in its late Victorian architectural style that contributes to the historic character of the area. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The hospital has served the local community for over a century, and generations of residents will have some personal association with the building, contributing to their sense of place.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Urmston Masonic Hall – HER 18534.1.0	 
Property Address	15 Westbourne Road, Urmston M41 0XQ	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Dating from 1881, Urmston Masonic Hall was originally constructed as a social club for the more prosperous members of the town's Victorian citizenry. However, a century later the building was acquired by the local Masonic order and established as their lodge. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> This is a pavilion style building designed to reflect the high Gothic features popular in the latter part of the 19th century. The building has a date plaque sited on a small tower like feature at the front of the premises. <i>Group Value:</i> The Urmston Masonic Hall and the former Urmston Cottage hospital constitute a small group of buildings from the late Victorian era in this part of the district, not far from Urmston town centre. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The building has fulfilled an important social role to the local community for well over a century. Generations of local residents will have some personal association with the building, contributing to their sense of place. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The distinctive architecture and unusual plan form allow the building to stand out from the surrounding properties.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Benchmark – HER 18535.1.0	
Property Address	Flixton Road, Urmston (SJ 75645 94748)	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> This particular benchmark is interesting because of its size, appearance and location. Also the 'GR' designation shows that it was used for official purposes. <i>Rarity Value:</i> A very rare type of benchmark.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	English Martyrs Roman Catholic Church – HER 18536.1.0	
Property Address	Roseneath Road, Urmston M41 5AX	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> From 1890 onwards the Roman Catholic community of the area were provided with a Mission Church. The first church sited on Roseneath Road was constructed from iron and opened in 1893. This was replaced with the current church in 1913-14. Both the first English Martyrs church and its replacement were constructed by local builders, George Sparks from Higher Road. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building is Romanesque in style and is built of white headed bricks with terra-cotta mouldings from designs by Mr Henry Oswald Hill of Manchester. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The quality of the design and the interesting architectural features contribute to the identity and historic character of Roseneath Road. <i>Group Value:</i> The church has a high group value with the adjacent primary school. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The church is a significant local landmark, occupying a prominent location at the junction of Roseneath Road with Flixton Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	English Martyrs Roman Catholic Primary School HER 18537.1.0	 
Property Address	Roseneath Road, Urmston M41 5AX	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The school opened in 1901. A new infant school was built in 1935 to a design by Hill, Sandy and Norris, and the schools were further extended in the 1940s. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The school provides an interesting example of an early Edwardian church school. <i>Local Interest:</i> The foundation stone of the new infant school was laid in June 1935 by Mrs J A Lyons, wife of the Prime Minister of Australia. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> As with the adjacent church, the quality of the design and the interesting architectural features of the school contribute to the identity and historic character of Roseneath Road. <i>Group Value:</i> The school has a high group value with the adjacent church. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The school fulfils an important role in the local community, and generations of former pupils will have personal association with the building, contributing to their sense of place.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Urmston Grammar School - HER 18538.1.0	  
Property Address	Newton Road, Urmston M41 5UG	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The building was designed by Stephen Wilkinson, County Architect for Lancashire County Council and opened in 1929 by the Earl of Crawford, then Chancellor of the University of Manchester. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The main building presents a typical 'county grammar' design, consisting of a two-storey quadrangle style built in brick with sandstone finishes. The school has a fine stepped entrance which faces a tree-lined playing field area, giving the impression of an open-aspect view. The main Grammar School building retains many of its original features including a formal entrance portico with clock turret and sandstone features. Many of the doors and windows, some of which include stained glass features appear to be original. Inside, the school retains many interesting features. <i>Local Interest:</i> The school has been at the heart of the local community for nearly a century. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The school makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality and character of Newton Road. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The school fulfils a key role in the local community, and generations of former pupils will have personal association with the building, contributing to their sense of place. <i>Group Value:</i> The school has a strong group value with the adjacent primary school.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Urmston County Primary School - HER 18539.1.0	 
Property Address	Wycliffe Road, Urmston M41 5AH	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> The earliest part of the school comprises a rectangular block parallel and adjacent to Wycliffe Road, which is first shown on the Ordnance Survey 1st Revision 1:2500 map of 1908. The parallel school block on Hereford Grove is first shown on the 2nd Revision 1:2500 map of 1928, whilst the 3rd Revision map of 1937 shows the Wycliffe Road range to have been expanded to create an L-shaped building, forming the layout of the school buildings that currently occupy the site. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The current school buildings developed in at least three phases between 1908 and 1937, and provides an interest example of an early 20th-century school in an urban context. <i>Local Interest:</i> The school has been at the heart of the local community for nearly a century. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The school makes a positive contribution to the aesthetic quality and character of Wycliffe Road and Hereford Grove. <i>Group Value:</i> The school has a strong group value with the adjacent grammar school. <i>Social / Communal Value:</i> The school fulfils a key role in the local community, and generations of former pupils will have personal association with the building, contributing to their sense of place.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Former Electricity Showrooms - HER 18540.1.0	 
Property Address	41 Flixton Road, Urmston M41 5AN	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A large two-storey building dating to 1937-9 with a design displaying Art Deco influence, reflecting the modernisation of Urmston as a place. The building was designed by Percy Howard, who was the architect for numerous public buildings in Lancashire. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building is an important and striking feature in this part of Flixton Road, Urmston. Built over two floors, it has clear Art Deco type features and is designed to a high standard. Surprisingly for a building of this quality, it was purpose designed as a showroom and office base for the Stretford and District Electricity Board, which operated in the area between 1928 and 1948, when these utilities became nationalised. <i>Local Interest:</i> The opening of the electricity showrooms represented the growth of domestic appliances to households in Urmston during the interwar years, and the 'modernisation' of the village. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a group value with the former gas showrooms on Flixton Road. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The former electricity showroom is a significant landmark building on this section of Flixton Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Former Gas Showrooms – HER 18541.1.0	
Property Address	17-21 Flixton Road, Urmston M41 5AW	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Built to a design by the notable architect Percy Howard in 1937, the building at one time this housed the Gas Showrooms selling gas appliances to the public. The building reflects the growing confidence of the area as a popular and wealthy suburb of Manchester, and as a place which offered a range of modern facilities catering for the needs of the area's families. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> This building has an original Art Deco-style frontage reflecting its late 1930s construction date. <i>Local Interest:</i> The opening of the gas showrooms represented the growth of domestic appliances to households in Urmston during the interwar years, and the 'modernisation' of the village. <i>Group Value:</i> The building has a group value with the former electricity showrooms on Flixton Road. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The former gas showroom is a significant landmark building on this section of Flixton Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Urmston Railway Station – HER 1225.1.0	 
Property Address	Flixton Road, Urmston M41 5AW	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Urmston Railway Station was opened in September 1873 by the Cheshire Lines Committee (CLC), a joint railway operating company running trains between Liverpool and the former Manchester Central Station. The arrival of the railway was of major importance for the development of the area, and particularly for Urmston town centre. The railway connected the town with Manchester and beyond. The growth of the area can be connected to the date of the railway's arrival, which resulted in significant house building and the growth of Urmston as a vibrant residential suburb to Manchester. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building on the Liverpool (south) side of the tracks formed the principal part of the station and is of good quality with interesting features. It is built in red brick in a gothic style with high arched roofs and windows, which was a standard design for this railway line. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The building helps to define the historic character of this part of Urmston. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The station is an important local amenity for people living in the village, and has served the local community for more than a century. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The station is a striking building that provides railway users a strong sense of Urmston's historic character.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Curzon Cinema – HER 18503.1.0	 
Property Address	Bowfell Circle, Urmston M41 5SQ	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> This building is the only survivor of three important public buildings built in this location during the later 19th century. The other two buildings, Urmston Baths and the Princess Rooms (a public hall) were later demolished. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The building has many of the classic features associated with buildings of this age and type, including many Art Deco type adornments both internally and in its external frontage. In many ways this building depicts the high point of this area during the mid-1930s, when many public buildings were constructed facilitating leisure and recreation and marking the importance of the area as a prosperous and popular suburb of Manchester. <i>Local Interest:</i> The cinema was built by Ernest Nash Eaton, the owner of many Manchester cinemas, who lived locally at Highfield House, Urmston. The Curzon was one of three local cinemas, and is the only building of its kind remaining locally. <i>Social / Community Value:</i> The cinema served the local community for nearly a century. Generations of local residents have personal association with the building, contributing to their sense of place. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The former cinema is a much-cherished local landmark, occupying a very prominent location at the junction of Bowfell Road with Moorside Road and Princess Road.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Wesley Cottage – HER 18542.1.0	
Property Address	159 Moorside Road, Urmston M41 5SJ	
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> A cottage of simple design dating from the 18th century and which has strong connections with Methodism in the area. Although modernised the cottage retains many original features. <i>Local Interest:</i> The cottage was the home of weaver James Bent 'who gathered children from around the area in his loom shop on Sunday afternoon for religious instruction'. The loom shop became inadequate for the numbers involved and so in 1786 the Sunday school transferred to the then nearby Methodist chapel (demolished and replaced with housing), where it remained for 60 years. The Bent family appear to have occupied the cottage for many generations, continuing there until the early 20th century. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> Wesley Cottage provides a link to the area's rural past, and brings some aesthetic quality to this section of Moorside Road, which is dominated by buildings of a later date. <i>Landmark Status:</i> Wesley Cottage is a notable local landmark as it is clearly much older than the surrounding properties, and it sits closer to the road frontage than its neighbours, emphasising the historic character of the building.	
Locally List?	YES	

Property Name	Urmston Jewish Cemetery and Chapel – HER 18543.1.0
Property Address	Chapel Grove, Urmston M41 9BB
Significance	<i>Historic Interest:</i> Acquired by the (North) Manchester Spanish & Portuguese Jews Congregation in 1878 and shared from 1891 with the Manchester New Synagogue, with a separate Whitefield Synagogue Section from 1959. <i>Architectural Interest:</i> The chapel was built in 1894 to a design by the short-lived architectural practice of Ogden and Charleton. <i>Rarity Value:</i> The cemetery houses one of very few freestanding First World War memorials commemorating Jewish personnel in Britain. The memorial is Grade II listed and commemorates 22 local servicemen from the Jewish community who died in the First World War, including sons of the memorial's designer and donor. It was unveiled in the cemetery in September 1919 at Rosh Hashana. <i>Aesthetic Value:</i> The cemetery and its chapel make a positive contribution to the quality and historic character of the area. <i>Landmark Status:</i> The cemetery is an important local landmark.



		 
Locally List?	YES	

Additional entries to the GMASS Local Heritage List

Stevedore	Barton Old Road	Barton upon Irwell	M41 7LF
Chesham House	101 Church Road	Urmston	M41 9FJ
Slaughterhouse	262 Flixton Road		M41 5DR
	62-64 Woodsend Road		M41 8GX
	74 and 76A Flixton Road		M41 5AB
	139 Irlam Road		M41 6WF
York Lodge Residential Home	54-56 Crofts Bank Road	Urmston	M41 0UH
Cornhill Clinic	59 Cornhill Road	Urmston	M41 5SZ
Flixton Cottage	168 Flixton Road	Urmston	M41 5DR
	2-5 Railway Road (includes the Market Hall)	Urmston	M41 0XL
Garricks Head Hotel	Moorside Road	Urmston	M41 5SH
	1-3 Manor Road	Urmston	M41 9GH
Irlam Railway Viaduct (disused)	Cadishead Way	Urmston	
Hulmes Ferry Crossing and Cottage	Daresbury Avenue		M41 8GP
Moss Vale Hotel	Lostock Road	Urmston	M41 0TA
	5 Railway Road	Urmston	M41 0XL
	1 Railway Road	Urmston	M41 0XL
	5-7 Manor Avenue	Urmston	M41 9GH
Manchester Ship Canal – that part which lies within Urmston & Flixton			

The Local Heritage List includes all positive contributors included in the following documents:

Barton upon Irwell Conservation Area (SPD 5.6)
Flixton Conservation Area (SPD 5.18)