



Principal Criteria for Commemorative Blue Plaques in Addingham



1. Introduction

Addingham Civic Society will, from time to time, consider proposals for the erection of blue plaques to commemorate significant people, groups, buildings, and events in the history of the village.

2. What can be commemorated by a blue plaque?

2.1 People and groups

- People or groups commemorated must have had a significant impact on the life or development of the village or their achievements or activities must have been significantly recognised beyond Addingham. Such people should have lived or worked in Addingham for a period of time sufficient that the village had a significant influence in forging their character or shaping their activities.
- To qualify for a blue plaque a person must have been deceased for at least ten years or the activities of a group ceased for ten years.

2.2 Buildings

- Buildings commemorated must have a historical or architectural significance to Addingham worthy of public notice or a historical event of particular importance must have happened there.
- Buildings must have sufficient age to be truly regarded as part of Addingham's history, typically 50 years.

3. Where can a blue plaque be erected?

- On the actual building being commemorated or where there is a strong association with the person or group being commemorated.
- The owner of the building must be amenable to the erection of the plaque.
- A plaque must be clearly visible to the public and will normally only be erected on a building.

4. What is the approval process?

There is an application form available under the heritage section of www.addinghamcivicsociety.org.uk. An application form should be submitted, including reasons for the submission by the proposer. However, it is recognised new plaques could, on occasion result in unnecessary visual clutter or be detrimental to the village. Therefore, each proposal will be treated on its individual merits, and in relation to the overall street scene in the village.

The application will be considered by a group established by the Addingham Heritage Group and Addingham Civic Society which may consult such individuals, bodies, institutions as it considers appropriate. Group membership will be determined dependent on the nature of the application. The final decision will be made by the Addingham Civic Society. Approval will still be dependent on the Addingham Civic Society gaining planning permission.