Why do we protect heritage?

Protecting heritage and looking after cultural heritage can enrich our daily lives and benefit future generations.

There are immediate, long-term, direct and indirect benefits of heritage protection.

Heritage



Supports the social and cultural wellbeing of people.



Is different all over the world and adds to a place's uniqueness.



Helps us learn and understand what has happened.



Heritage can teach us about culture and different ways of life.



Provides opportunities for everyone to get involved.



Heritage can allow buildings with good design to be adapted for different uses.



Enriches our community, quality of life and contributes to civic pride.



Gives ideas for new places to develop themes that help celebrate and promote a regions history.



Gives us opportunities to inspire through education and learning.



Can help to support local economies by attracting visitors and providing employment.



Heritage helps build inclusive communities.



Heritage matters to all of us, and when it's not protected it's lost forever.





