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Glossary

The terminology used in this assessment, including relevant definitions contained within Scottish Planning Policy (Scottish Government, 2014¹) is set out below.

Terminology	Description
Conservation	The process of maintaining and managing change to a heritage asset in a way that sustains and, where appropriate, enhances its significance.
Designated heritage assets	World Heritage Sites, Scheduled Monuments, Listed Buildings, Protected Wreck Sites, Inventory Gardens and Designed Landscapes, Inventory Battlefields and Conservation Areas designated under the relevant legislation.
Heritage asset	A building, monument, site, place, area or landscape identified as having a degree of significance meriting consideration in planning decisions, because of its heritage interest.
Historic environment	Physical evidence for human activity that connects people with place, linked with the associations we can see, feel and understand.
Historic environment record	A public, map-based data set, primarily intended to inform the management of the historic environment.
Setting	More than the immediate surroundings of a site or building, and may be related to the function or use of a place, or how it was intended to fit into the landscape of townscape, the view from it or how it is seen from areas round about, or areas that are important to the protection of the place, site or building.

Terminology	Description
Significance	The value of a heritage asset to this and future generations because of its heritage interest. That interest may be archaeological, architectural, artistic or historic. Significance derives not only from a heritage asset’s physical presence, but also from its setting.
Value	An aspect of worth or importance

Chronology

Where referred to in the text, the main archaeological periods are broadly defined by the following date ranges:

Prehistoric		Historic	
Palaeolithic	970,000–9500 BC	Romano-British	AD 43–410
Early Post-glacial	9500–8500 BC	Early medieval	AD 410–1100
Mesolithic	8500–4100 BC	Medieval	AD 1100–1500
Neolithic	4100–2500 BC	Post-medieval	AD 1500–1800
Bronze Age	2500–700 BC	19th century	AD 1800–1899
Iron Age	800 BC–AD 400	Modern	1900–present day

References

¹ Scottish Government (2014) 'Scottish Planning Policy'. Available at: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/scottish-planning-policy/documents/> (Accessed 18/10/2024).

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