

Protected Views Policy Areas



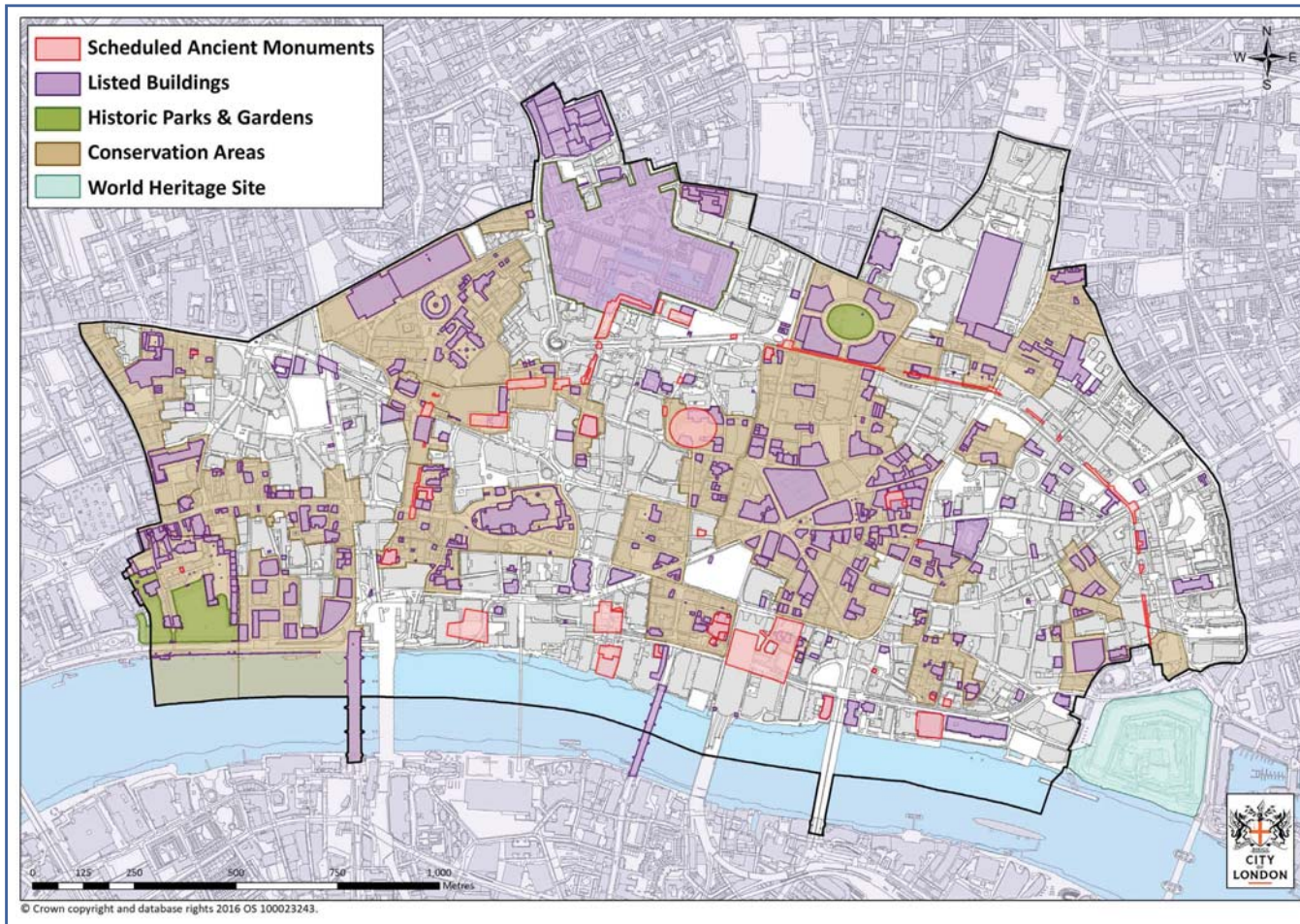
The Local Plan protects and enhances significant City and London views of important buildings, townscape and skylines by implementing the Mayor's London View Management Framework (LVMF).

Protected views policies relate to St. Paul's Cathedral, the Tower of London and the Monument, as well as other skyline features and historic City landmarks.

The pressure to accommodate employment and population growth has led to an increase in tall building proposals and developments in and around the City that are outside of protected view policy areas.

- Should we maintain the current approach to local view protection in the City? If not, how should the approach be changed?
- Are there other specific views that should be protected?





Map showing Designated Heritage Assets



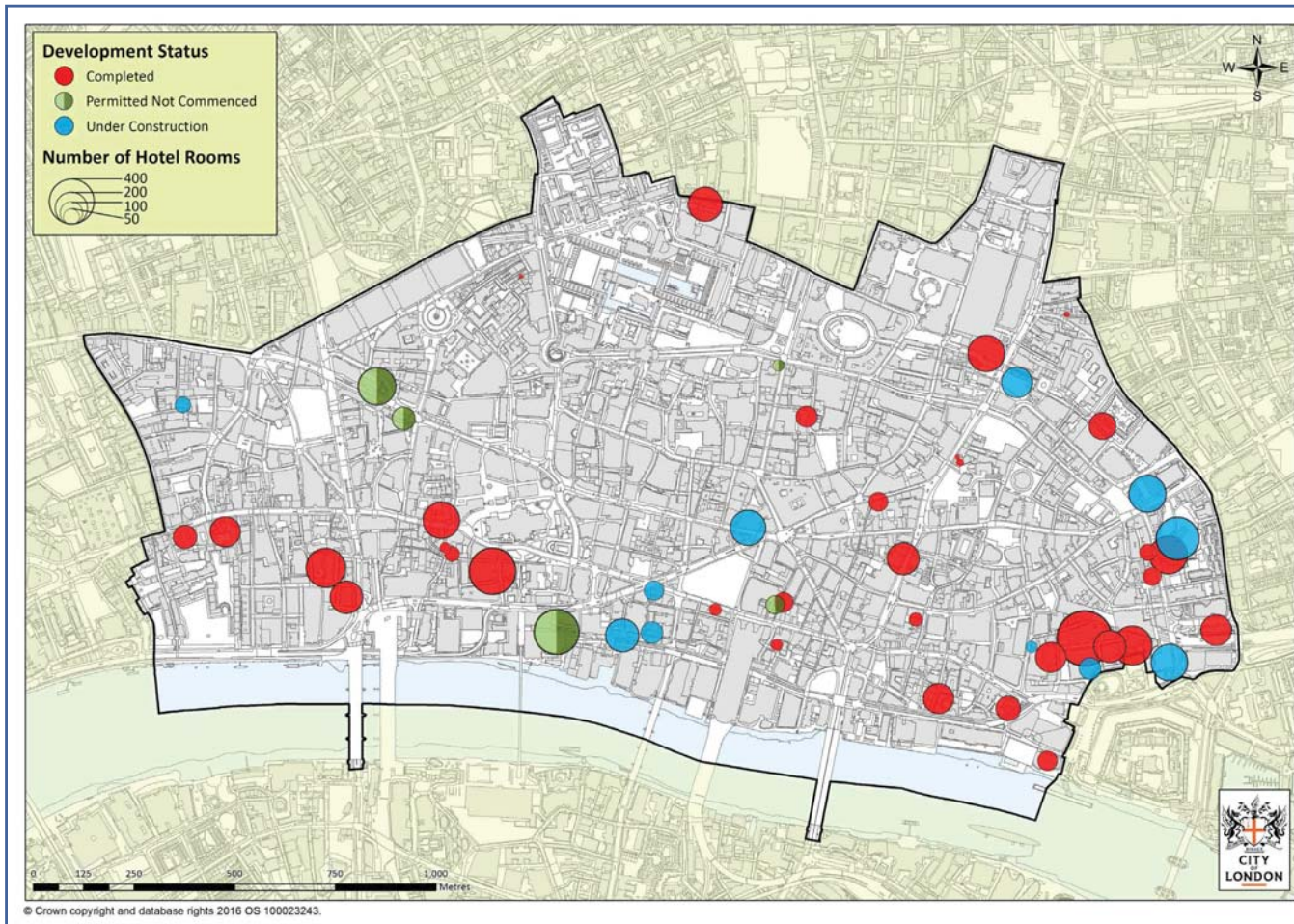
The City has a varied and high-quality historic environment, which contributes significantly to its unique character.

In total the City contains 48 scheduled ancient monuments, 4 historic parks and gardens, over 600 listed buildings and 26 conservation areas. The Tower of London World Heritage Site lies just outside the City's eastern boundary.

The City is one of the most important areas in the country in terms of archaeology. Archaeological investigation is an important aspect of development proposals.

- How can the City's heritage assets be used in the most adaptable and flexible way to boost their future relevance without harming their significance?
- How can the Local Plan help new development to conserve and enhance the historic environment? Should we include policies and guidance in the Local Plan on non-designated heritage assets?





Map showing existing and permitted development in the City

The City attracts millions of visitors each year for both tourism and business, and now has over 30 hotels. Visitor numbers are expected to increase further with the development of Crossrail and the Cultural Hub. Increasing visitor numbers creates demand for more hotel room capacity, but there is concern that hotels can displace office accommodation.

- Are there certain areas of the City where hotel development should either be encouraged or restricted?
- Should those areas be identified in detail or more generally?
- Should accommodation for business visitors be prioritised over tourist hotels?

Arts and cultural activities bring many benefits for the City but there is the potential to cause congestion and disturbance to residents.

- Should on-street uses and activities be encouraged on the City's streets?
- What type of activities would be appropriate in the Cultural Hub and elsewhere in the city?

