Earlsdon Conservation Area Consultation Summary – July 2022

Proposed Earlsdon Conservation Area - Appraisal

Comment Reference	Respondent	Page/Para Reference	Consultation Response	Officer Summary	Proposed Change to BHG CAA
EARAA1	Birmingham Airport Limited	General	Standard letter including Aerodrome Safeguarding Considerations	Not relevant to Conservation Area Designation	No change
EARAA2	Historic England	General	The Appraisal follows a format that is fully in line with national guidance. There is a clear articulation of character and the conservation areas special interest and a succinct and insightful analysis as to how this currently contributes to the areas character and appearance. Both positive aspects of the conservation area and a number of negative changes to its condition are carefully itemized and clear prescriptions for management are suggested within the Management Proposals. Historic England has no adverse comments	Noted, and positive comments welcome.	No change
EARAA3	Coventry Society	General	As Coventry's civic society, we are keen to support the proposal by Coventry City Council to declare a Conservation Area for Earlsdon. We believe that Earlsdon has a particular identity in the city as a late Victorian/Edwardian suburb that has remained largely intact. It is our view that Conservation Area status offers the best way of it staying that way.	Noted, and support welcome.	No Change

			Alongside members of the Earlsdon Research Group, our members helped conduct the field work for the Conservation appraisal back in 2016 and we are pleased to see that particular attention has been paid to that work and to our views of what is worth preserving in Earlsdon. It is a matter of surprise to the Coventry Society that a Conservation Area for Earlsdon wasn't declared a long time ago and we are delighted to see that that omission is being rectified now.		
EARAA4	Resident - P.Strulo	General	The features listed aren't more unique than most urban areas in the country (I lived in Earlsdon for a year prior to 2021). Designating Earlsdon as a conservation area would require designating most of the country as one and hence would be effectively subverting the intent of permitted development regulations. I oppose the making of Earlsdon a Conservation Area in the strongest possible terms.	Produced Area Appraisal identifies notable historic characteristics and rationales whilst proposal for conservation area in line with established Local Plan commitments. Impact in respect of permitted development rights addressed in A4 comments.	No change
EARAA5	Resident	General	The appraisal is a well-researched and comprehensive document. My only comment would be the need to explore more extensive listing of historical buildings and sites within the proposed area. Many former watchmaking, weaving and other manufacturing properties survive across the area but currently have no protected status. Another example is the Edward VII postbox in Palmerston Road which is in urgent need of protection.	Establishment of Conservation Area affords additional protections to noted properties moving forward, whilst nominations for local listing or national listing a process separate from the establishment of the Conservation Area.	No change

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	The boundary of the proposed Earlsdon	
	Conservation Area appears to be very sensible and	
	fits nicely with the existing conservation areas along	
	the Kenilworth Road and Spencer Road. I would	
	however like to be sure that nothing has fallen	
	between the proposed new area and the existing	
	conservation area.	

Proposed Earlsdon Conservation Area - Management Plan

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EARAMP1	Birmingham Airport Limited	General	Standard letter including Aerodrome Safeguarding Considerations	Not relevant to Conservation Area Management Plan	No change
EARAMP2	Historic England	General	The Appraisal follows a format that is fully in line with national guidance. There is a clear articulation of character and the conservation areas special interest and a succinct and insightful analysis as to how this currently contributes to the areas character and appearance. Both positive aspects of the conservation area and a number of negative changes to its condition are carefully itemized and clear prescriptions for management are suggested within the Management Proposals. Historic England has no adverse comments	Noted, and positive comments welcome.	No change

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EARAMP4	Resident	General	Planning controls on windows, doors, and wall insulation would dramatically increase the cost to households of improving the insulation of their houses. Most people would not find the time to make a planning application so fewer people would insulate their homes. This is incompatible with climate goals.	Climate goals have informed detail of any proposed planning restrictions which are proposed, whilst seeking to balance preservation of historic character. To demonstrate this balance, it should be noted that those types of development in the Article 4 (which limits permitted development rights and	No Change
			I oppose the restrictions in the Conservation Area Management Plan in the strongest possible terms.	therefore necessitate the need for planning permission to be sought) are	

				specified to only be in relation to those elements seen from public view. It should also be noted that the requirement for planning permission to be sought does not pre-empt refusal, rather that conservation oversight of the detail of proposals is able to be considered in regard to the character of the Conservation Area.	
EARAMP5	Resident	General	I strongly support the Area Management Plan and would like to emphasise the importance of information and educational materials for residential and commercial property owners. Earlsdon is lucky to have a number of voluntary community groups and it is important that the Council and Councillors work closely with these groups and local businesses to promote the Conservation Area from the earliest opportunity.	Noted, and support welcome.	No Change
EARAMP6	Internal consultee	1.2 – Retention of historic features	Highlight consideration of issues around reasonable property maintenance and where instances are not impactful on the special character of the areas	Wording in 'Action' therefore revised to include " where possible and proportionate'	Revised at 1.2
EARAMP7	Internal consultee	1.7 - Historic and architecturally significant buildings and structures should not be allowed to deteriorate	Consideration is required around the ability to employ legislations and the appropriateness of doing so in each case which may areas.	Wording in 'Action' therefore revised to 'consider use of its powers'	Revised at 1.7
EARAMP8	Internal consultee	3.2 - Advertisements should not have a negative impact on the character and	Consideration is required around the ability to employ legislations and the appropriateness of doing so in each case which may areas.	Wording in 'Action' therefore revised to 'consider use of its powers'	Revised at 3.2

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		appearance of the Conservation Area.			
EARAMP9	Internal consultee	3.3 Structures within the Conservation Area should be kept free from graffiti and vandalism.	Alignment required with established City Council Street scene Policy	Working in Action revised to - Coventry City Council will accord with its street scene policies to maintain the quality of environment.	Revised at 3.3
EARAMP10	Internal consultee	Section 4 – Regulatory & Licencing Powers	Statement not specific to City-wide licencing commitments on with the Conservation Area designation does not seek to revise.	Section 4 therefore removed from Conservation Area Management Pan	Page 12
EARAMP11	Internal consultee	Section 3 – Planning Enforcement	To clarify the role and judgements of the planning enforcement team in the Conservation Area, wording revised to reflect specialist judgements to be made in regard to breadth and role of legislation	Section 3 wording therefore revised to " Coventry City Council will consider the use of these powers to preserve or enhance the character of the area"	Page 12

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EARA41	Birmingham Airport Limited	General	Standard letter including Aerodrome Safeguarding Considerations	Not relevant to proposed Article 4 direction	No change
EARA42	Historic England	General	The Direction will afford appropriate protection to the special interest of the CA.	Noted, and support welcome.	No Change
EARA43	Coventry Society	General	As Coventry's civic society, we are keen to support the proposal by Coventry City Council to declare a Conservation Area for Earlsdon.	Noted, and support welcome.	No Change
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EARA44	Resident - P.Strulo	General	Requiring planning permission for installation of solar panels significantly increases the cost in time and money to install them. As with insulation this directly contradicts climate goals. I oppose the Article 4 in the strongest possible terms.	Climate goals have informed detail of any proposed planning restrictions which are proposed, whilst seeking to balance preservation of historic character. To demonstrate this balance, it should be noted that those types of development in the Article 4 (which limits permitted development rights and therefore necessitate the need for planning permission to be sought) are specified to only be in relation to those elements seen from public view. It should also be noted that the requirement for planning permission to	No Change
				be sought does not pre-empt refusal, rather that conservation oversight of the detail of proposals is able to be considered in regard to the character of the Conservation Area.	
EARA45	Resident - K.Noble	General	I strongly support an Article 4 Direction as without this it will be very difficult to ensure the Conservation Area receives the protection it needs.	Noted and support welcome.	No Change