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Frinton and Walton Conservation Area

Name/Organisation	Comment	Action/response
Historic England	<p>Dear Sir/Madam</p> <p>Thank you for your consultation of 3 October 2022 requesting comments on the new Conservation Area Appraisals for Harwich Old Town, Frinton and Walton, Manningtree and Mistley, Brightlingsea, and Great Bentley. Historic England provides advice when our engagement can add most value. In this case we do not wish to offer advice. This should not be interpreted as comment on the merits of the application.</p> <p>We suggest that you seek the views of your specialist conservation and archaeological advisers. You may also find it helpful to refer to our published advice at https://historicengland.org.uk/advice/find/</p> <p>It is not necessary to consult us on this application again, unless there are material changes to the proposals. However, if you would like advice from us, please contact us to explain your request.</p> <p>Yours sincerely, Sheila Stones Inspector of Historic Buildings and Areas</p>	No action needed
Natural England	<p>Dear Sir/Madam</p> <p>Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.</p> <p>Natural England does not consider that the Tendring Conservation Area Appraisals & Local List Criteria Consultation pose any likely risk or opportunity in relation to our statutory purpose, and so does not wish to comment on this consultation.</p> <p>The lack of comment from Natural England should not be interpreted as a statement that there are no impacts on the natural environment. Other bodies and individuals may wish</p>	No action needed

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	<p>to make comments that might help the Local Planning Authority (LPA) to fully take account of any environmental risks and opportunities relating to this document.</p> <p>If you disagree with our assessment of these Character Appraisals/Management Plans as low risk, or should the proposed Plans be amended in a way which significantly affects the impact on the natural environment, then in accordance with Section 4 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006, please consult Natural England again.</p> <p>Yours faithfully Tessa Lambert</p>	
<p>Julie Hart</p>	<p>To Planning Policy Resident Consultation Team</p> <p>We are Walton on the Naze residents and live in a property in the High Street, in the Conservation Area. Our thoughts and comments are as follows:</p> <p>4.2 - yes speeding is an issue along the High Street, but there is no highlighting of the 20 mph speed limit, and no policing or enforcement of this limit. An increasing issue since Covid is the noise and pollution nuisance especially noise caused by illegal performance exhausts, on cars and motorbikes. Perhaps the Council can ban the sale of performance exhausts, or police/enforce the sale of them?</p> <p>We do not feel additional pedestrian crossings are needed, if speed restrictions are enforced.</p> <p>How does the High Street act as severance of the town from the seafront? Do not understand this statement.</p> <p>Walton Pier - refurbishment is not complete, shoddy job so far - hope the external facia and frontage will be replaced or at least repainted?</p> <p>We have the third longest pier in the UK, and the owners should be forced to repair and maintain the rear walkway part of the pier, which has been closed due to fire damage, and the more recent part closed due to storm damage caused over last 2 years.</p> <p>The offshore life boat is looking to be moored at Clacton next year, because the pier owners are refusing to carry out the necessary repairs. Holiday makers, and day trippers including many schools and a variety of organisations, come to Walton for the beautiful beaches and the pier.</p> <p>We need to protect and retain the pier, and the Council should force the owners to maintain and promote this landmark and piece of history. What happens when more bits</p>	<p>Noted – unfortunately unable to comment on this within the CAAMP document</p> <p>Added clarification that it is a severance for pedestrians in terms of crossing traffic</p> <p>Agree the pier is an important asset to the area, which is recognised in the document</p>

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	<p>of the pier rot and break off? At what point will it become a health and safety risk? Nobody will be able to spend money then.</p> <p>5.2 - there is no access issue to the pier - they need to repair the pier so that we can once again walk along the pier, and house the lifeboat once again - that will reconnect them to the Town. Has great access from the station and along the beach front.</p> <p>Back waters and marshlands - need to be included and protected for future.</p> <p>Seafront and sea defences - appreciate the Environment Agency are mainly responsible, but this needs to be included as areas of deterioration are gated off leaving fewer points of access to the beach. Ugly and unsafe - totally unacceptable for the Council not to get involved and lead and push on outstanding repairs and maintenance - this is the mainstay of the Town!</p> <p>Lifeboat Museum - should be included please - and what on earth is happening to this historic site? We have heard rumours of the contents being moved to Frinton and the elderly volunteers no longer up to opening to visitors - and not being able to afford the Council's rates??</p> <p>Our history should be preserved.</p> <p>Beach Huts - not a lot said about them, and disappointed the Beach Hut Village at Hipkins Cafe is not included. Appreciate the Council is consulting with certain beach hut owners re terms of lease to restrict option of making money with daily hires, but a huge attraction covered by the BBC and the Guardian over lockdown.</p>	<p>Wording has been amended to provide clarity on waymarking/ access.</p> <p>Backwaters/marshland are not included but form part of the setting.</p> <p>The document acknowledges the importance of the sea defences.</p> <p>Lifeboat museum not included within the conservation area due to the distance making it illogical to include within the boundary. W.</p> <p>Beach huts within the conservation area have been discussed throughout and in more detail on 73. They have been considered as part of 'key unlisted buildings' within the initial assessment. Hipkins café is not within the</p>
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	<p>Alfred Terrace - mentioned in document - you need to address the former public toilets nearby - historic rubbish dumping/collection point, filthy, smelly and permanent rat infestation - to complete the picture and improve the area.</p> <p>Lastly - we do not see the need for continuous references to class in the appraisal document - feels outdated, and extremely patronising. The caravan parks are not mentioned, and important to note that holidaymakers come to Walton for caravan holidays, as well as holiday rentals and Air BnB accommodation - as well as the many day trippers. Footfall has increased dramatically since Covid, which doesn't appear to feature in this document either. All the more reason to repair and maintain our seafrontage. Happy to discuss further. We hope you find this useful.</p> <p>Yours sincerely, Julie Hart and Paul Caslaw</p>	<p>conservation and far removed from the setting.</p> <p>Not relevant to consider within the CAAMP.</p> <p>Unsure where these are, if outside boundary, then unfortunately not part of the scope of the CAAMP. If inside, could be a negative or opportunity site for improvement</p> <p>Historic references are included as this outlines the development of each area and the deliberate marketing etc, however references have been altered to use more appropriate language where needed.</p> <p>Caravan parks are not within the boundary, which is why they have not been discussed, but they are an important part of attracting visitors and so have been referenced within the modern history of the area.</p>
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Dear Planning Policy Team, Tendring
Coastal Area Appraisal Consultation,
Thank you for your letter.
I arrived in Frinton for the first time
as a baby in the 30s before the 2nd World War.
+ stayed at my grandfather's house in Old Road (now
sadly cut in half + another house built in the space.)
My family settled in Frinton from 1945, when I
remember the Greensward was still mined, scaffolding
along the beach, and soldiers in requisitioned houses all
over Frinton. Points I'd like to make now:-

- ① Are there too many houses going up in the area
outside the gate, for the infrastructure to support? i.e.
schools, doctors, dentists, supermarkets, etc. We also know
how difficult it is to get on a road with a GP. now.
- ② Protect our Clubs, do not build house rooms there
i.e. behind the Tennis Club, or in the field on the
left as you enter the Cricket Club gates
- ③ Protect the greensward entirely. Prevent selling of
firewood, coffee etc at all times, once one or two are
there (which I hear they are now) more will
want to set up their stalls
- ④ Protect the little Hotel in Frinton, it must always
remain a Hotel. There used to be at least 7

Interesting history and valuable
insight – regarding the points raised

1. Unfortunately this is not something that can be addressed by the CAAMP, but noted and the council received comments
2. The clubs within Frinton have been recognised within the history and appraisal of the new document, which will afford them protection within the CA. They are an important part of the heritage and character of the area
3. The Greensward is also recognised within the appraisal as an important historic green, integral to the development of Frinton.
Regarding selling on the greensward – we will discuss with William, as we agree any temporary or permanent structures on the Greensward would be highly inappropriate. However, if they are selling

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Good hotels along the Prom (+ the Gloucester) with
bars in all of them, & they have all gone.
Paul Spence at least there is a Pub in Connaught
Avenue.

- (5) Help Connaught Avenue remain a good shopping
street.
- (6) Stop losing front gardens, to parking areas.
This has had a devastating effect on wild life,
birds + insects, plus not helping the air quality.

I am now 87, so not in Frinton
so frequently, but I have a large family
who like my beach hut + visit occasionally:
Please use my London address for the time being



It is very important to keep Frinton
a specially different sort of tourist place,
unspoilt. My very best wishes.

Yours sincerely,
[Redacted]

from food carts, then this may be a licencing issue, and we are unsure how the appraisal can support preventing their being there. The open character of the Greensward is recognised, and this should be protected.

- 4. Agreed – the hotels have been recognised within the appraisal and should be protected
- 5. Agreed, although the CAAMP cannot assist, but the recognition of the history and character of Connaught Avenue should support its future heritage protection as a commercial core of Frinton
- 6. Front gardens are discussed within the document, as it is agreed that their loss is a concern.

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E Rex

Dear Sirs,

Re Tendrine, Conservation Area Appraisal.

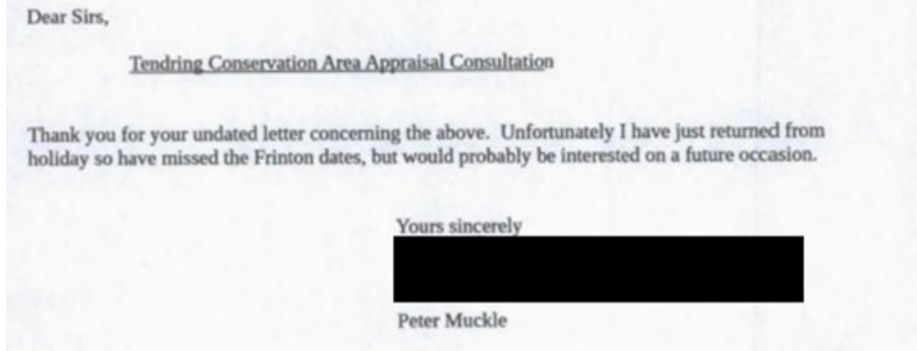
I am astonished that you are undertaking a consultation about conservation when the District Council has allowed 6 The Esplanade and 17 15 Second Avenue to reach a state of disgraceful dereliction over a period of many years. Both properties are an eyesore and a denial of the very word "conservation." As for "questions to get one started", I started writing to the TDC in March 2018 to no avail. Your letter must be a crude joke. Yours faithfully,

Added to the vacant buildings section

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<p>Max Roberts</p>	<p>Living in Walton Town centre, the conservation area is pointless. All I see is endless satellite dishes, plastic casement windows and buildings heading for dereliction. Any remaining ambience is blighted by poor quality takeaway food outlets. If Tendring TC cannot/will not police/enforce its conservation areas then there is absolutely no point having one. Get rid of it. Dr Max Roberts</p>	<p>Noted – satellite dishes, windows, and vacant buildings/maintenance issues are all concerns that we agree are important to enhancing the conservation area. They are within the maintenance plan, with the hope to support future management of the area.</p>
<p>Jacey Dias</p>	<p>Dear Planning Policy Team I have been away and only received your letter about the consultation on return recently. I hope I haven't missed the deadline for comments.</p> <p>Thank you for the consultation and for the work the team is putting into the plan. A conservation plan is essential. My comments about our conservation area in Frinton (in which I live) are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There doesn't seem to be accountability currently in TDC for monitoring/policing the conservation plan. Will this change? Without accountability for enforcement, the plan is meaningless 2. There are two derelict houses in our area – 15 Second Avenue and 6 The Esplanade. They are an eyesore, are unsafe, unhealthy and dragging down the area. Why has nothing been done about them when they are in a Conservation Area? 3. Will the plan include restrictions about working hours and practices? It should. So many heritage houses have work done on them in the Avenues to keep them looking nice, but workmen seem to disregard the hours they are allowed to work, where they park their vehicles, how loudly they play radios, the days of the week they use power tools (Sundays are no longer peaceful here), the adverts they place on billboards on the pavements etc etc.. this is destroying the 'look and feel' of living in a conservation area. Why are so many planning applications granted at one time – why aren't they staggered? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Noted, unable to update CAAMP to reflect 2. These are noted within Section 4.8 3. Not able to comment on work hours, but adverts are addressed in Section 5.1. Unable to comment on planning applications. 4. This is addressed in Section 5.1 – it is agreed that advertisement needs to be compliant and should be enforced against if it is without approval 5. Addressed in Section 4.6

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	<p>4. One house locally has an advertising hoarding attached to the front of their wall advertising their business. This shouldn't be allowed</p> <p>5. Another house locally has had the pavement dug up during rebuilding of their front wall and not replaced it.....just covered it over with stones which means wheelchairs and pushchairs, children's scooters etc can't go along the pavement</p> <p>So.....my big question is about enforcement of any conservation plan.</p> <p>Yours sincerely Jacey Dias</p>	
P Muckle	 <p>Dear Sirs,</p> <p><u>Tending Conservation Area Appraisal Consultation</u></p> <p>Thank you for your undated letter concerning the above. Unfortunately I have just returned from holiday so have missed the Frinton dates, but would probably be interested on a future occasion.</p> <p>Yours sincerely [Redacted Signature] Peter Muckle</p>	Noted – no action required

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Dear Planning Policy Team Tendering District Council

CONSERVATION AREAS APPRAISAL CONSULTATION

PLEASE REFER IN PARTICULAR TO THE PLANNING APPLICATION EXAMPLE BELOW

APPLICATION REF: 21/00482/FUL SUB 08/03/21 No 4 CLIFF WAY FRINTON ON SEA CO139NL

Regarding this consultation if the Council is serious about addressing its conservation heritage it would need to do the following as a first step and learn the lessons from the above application.

THE COUNCIL NEEDS TO URGENTLY APPOINT A CONSERVATION OFFICER.

From recent experience related to the above planning application the Planning Department lacks professional experience and expertises regarding Conservation issues. The lack of this advice meant that there was seemingly no 'in house' understanding of the importance of the Frinton Park Conservation Area and implications of proposals with the potential to cause substantial damage.

The Council had to really on local expertise of individuals and organisations outside the Council to understand the implications and potential impact of this application (eventually dismissed on appeal). It highlighted the serious lack of expertise and understanding within the department.

PLANNING OFFICERS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT NEED TRAINING ABOUT CONSERVATION.

The above recent planning application illustrated that that there was a serious lack of awareness about the importance of the Frinton Park Conservation Area (probably the most important collection of domestic Art Deco period houses in the UK). An application to add an additional floor to one of the most important and prominent Art Deco houses in the Conservation Area was allocated to a novice Town Planner who had just joined the department and was starting a career!

Until the lack of experience and expertise is addressed improvements in policy and appraisal will not be effectively in controlling development proposals and the integrity of Conservation Areas.

Can you please consider and address the issues raised.

Unfortunately due to illness I will not be able to participate in the meetings arranged.

Yours Sincerely

Denis Seabeck

Not appropriate to comment on specific planning applications within the Conservation Area Appraisal.

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Public consultation	Concerns/thoughts raised at consultation were: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• a comment about the crazy brick wall and said that it was called a 'random rubble' wall and they are really common in Frinton.• Clarity on boundary changes• quality of road surfacing in Frinton	
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