

Kirby le Soken Conservation Area

Name/Organisation	Comment	Action/response
<p>Comments at public consultation event on 23rd January 2024</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Concerns regarding the quantity and speed of the traffic through the village. The number of HGVs and through traffic has an adverse impact on the village atmosphere. Especially noted as a problem during rush hour and school run times. 2. Flooding has become an issue due to the new housing development adjacent to the church. 3. Limit development to keep Kirby as a small rural village. 4. Concerns that development to the south of Kirby le Soken and the proposed solar farm would result in Kirby Cross and Kirby le Soken joining. 5. Clearer map overlay needed showing changes to the boundary. 6. Damage to the boundary wall to the church hall. 7. Why has The Ship and its contribution to the village been excluded from the setting? 8. Early twentieth-century map is missing from page 15. 9. Brick Barn recommended for local listing. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Noted, unable to introduce additional traffic measures through the CAAMP. 2. Noted, unable to comment on within the CAAMP but will pass onto Tendring DC 3. It is noted within the appraisal that a key part of the conservation area's significance is that it is a small, rural settlement with a linear development pattern and this should be preserved i.e. back land development would be inappropriate. Text added on page 41. 4. This is noted and we can strengthen comments as above which can show the importance of rural setting to help going forward. Solar farm development is currently being decided by PINs. 5. Map and JPEGs saved in higher quality during export 6. Note in management section about maintenance of boundary walls/surfacing etc on page 45 7. Text amended on page 43. 8. Added in 9. Noted, will pass onto Tendring Council

Kirby-le-Soken Village Preservation Society	<p>The biggest threat to conservation of the village (KLS) is overuse of the main road B1034 (The Street / Walton Road). To avoid the roundabout at "the Gates" at Frinton, traffic diverts down Elm Tree Avenue or Halstead Road to pass through KLS. This is causing damage to ancient properties in KLS and eroding the road surface. Speed is also an element of discomfort for residents especially in the case of HGVs and other large delivery vehicles. When permissions were granted for commercial premises (e.g. M&S, Aldi, etc) they were asked to respect the fact that this village is in a conservation area and instruct their deliveries to pass along B1366 to avoid passing through KLS itself. Not only commercial vehicles are criticised but a continual source of irritation are the hundreds of extra family vehicles using KLS as a "rat run" due to mass development of new housing in Walton, Kirby Cross and (most recently) Frinton at Elm Tree Avenue.</p>	Noted, action made as above (1) and will pass message onto Tendring Council
Natural England	Natural England does not have any specific comments on these new Conservation Area Appraisals.	N/A
National Highways	<p>The nature and location covered by this current consultation is unlikely to have an impact on the operation of the Strategic Road Network (SRN). Therefore, National Highways offers No Comment.</p>	N/A
Historic England	<p>We welcome the production of these appraisals for the five named Conservation Areas which set out clear, robust and achievable proposals for their conservation and enhancement.</p> <p>Unfortunately, our capacity and existing commitments dictate that we are unable to comment on all the proposed appraisals in fine detail, but a review of the five documents shows they are clearly laid out, well written and nicely illustrated using photographs, other illustrations and cartography.</p> <p>General Comments</p>	N/A

	<p>We are pleased to see that Historic England’s guidance notes for the Historic Area Assessment and Conservation Area Appraisal process (which can be found here: HE Advice Note 1 - conservation area designation, appraisal and management, and here: https://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/understanding-place-historic-areaassessments/) have been referenced and made use of.</p> <p>We are also pleased to note that all the appraisals include a management plan to help guide the future conservation and enhancement of the areas. Management plan should contain clear, detailed, specific and achievable aims and objectives, setting out priority actions and long-term goals for management, including for any heritage at risk or areas that detract from the character and appearance of the area.</p> <p>It is positive to note that the management plans reference use of Article 4 Directions to help manage inappropriate change, such as the insertion of UPVC windows, in Conservation Areas, and all consider how CIL or Section 106 monies could be targeted for enhancements within the conservation area.</p>	
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Other changes:

- Basemaps updated
- View 4 removed, due to modern development
- Figure 13 updated, due to modern development, and text below edited to reflect the change
- Added details of the woodland setting, based on the response of the owners of Kirby Hall at public consultation, to highlight it’s contribution