

Appendix 8: Summary of Consultation Feedback

Chapmanslord Conservation Area Appraisal

17 responses received.

Majority of responses received from residents/property owners.

Majority of respondents agreed that the Appraisal had adequately identified the area's special architectural/historic interest. One respondent thought that the Appraisal should focus more on the significance of retaining original windows/doors/ironmongery to preserve the arts and crafts character and streetscene (*Note: this is included within the appraisal*). When asked how the appearance of the Conservation Area could best be improved, some of the responses fell outside of what can be dealt with by a Conservation Area Appraisal, including litter control and parking enforcement, and others which relate to the Conservation Area, including not allowing UPVC windows (*note: there is an article 4 direction in Chapmanslord that requires planning permission to be sought for replacement windows*), and matching new windows to original style. When asked whether they thought any other planning controls were needed, the majority of respondents answered 'yes'. Respondents wanted to see windows, front doors, materials, and planting. In terms of what other action could be needed in the Conservation Area, answers included tree pruning.

Eastern Esplanade Conservation Area Appraisal

3 responses received.

Majority of responses received from residents.

All respondents considered that, in general, the Appraisal had adequately identified the area's special architectural/historic interest. In terms of other aspects of special interest that should be included in the Appraisal, responses included restoration of the Kursaal (*note: this is outside the scope of this CAA, the Kursaal is also part of its own Conservation Area*), and consideration of the impact of development on the foreshore on the conservation area. All respondents considered that, in general, the Appraisal had adequately identified the good and the harmful features of the Conservation Area. When asked how they thought the appearance of the Conservation Area could be improved, responses included: the removal of UPVC windows, inappropriate fascias, and inappropriate materials to ensure a consistent appearance to the terrace; planting of trees and greenery; restoration of boundaries; preservation of weather boarding; taking enforcement action where properties are not maintained. Some respondents felt that some types of permitted development should be controlled, such as roof tiles, materials, windows, boundaries, doors and railings.

Kursaal Conservation Area Appraisal

22 responses received.

Majority of responses received from residents.

The majority of respondents considered that, in general, the Appraisal adequately identified the area's special architectural/historic interest. Respondents considered that ideas for development of the Kursaal need to be captured (*note: this is outside the scope of the Conservation Area Appraisal*), that the social history of the building should be included more (*note: further reference to this added to the Appraisal*), include further description of The Britannia (*note: further reference added to the Appraisal*). In terms of any other aspects of special interest that should be included in the Appraisal, respondents considered the potential future uses of the Kursaal, including potential for community and arts space (*note: this is outside the scope of the Conservation Area Appraisal*). When asked what other good/harmful features of the Conservation Areas should be included in the appraisal, responses included buildings around the Kursaal which the respondent considered harmful; that the area doesn't require special consideration; restoring original features of the building and improving shopfronts. When asked how the appearance of the Conservation Area could be improved, responses included: bringing back the use of the building (*note: this is outside the scope of the Conservation Area Appraisal*), improving shops/shopfronts; investment in the preservation of the building. In terms of controlling permitted development, some respondents considered that alterations to windows, boundaries and materials should be controlled.

Leigh Old Town Conservation Area Appraisal

9 responses received.

Responses were received from businesses, residents and property owners. All respondents felt that the Appraisal had, in general, adequately identified the area's special architectural/historic interest. When asked if there were any other elements of special interest that should be included in the Appraisal, responses included: the walkway between Chalkwell/Old Leigh; keeping information boards maintained; new businesses should add to the Old Town's offer rather than duplicate (*note: these points are outside the scope of the Conservation Area Appraisal. Reference is made in the Appraisal to the Cinder Path, linking Chalkwell and Leigh Old Town, although this does not form part of the Conservation Area*); encourage more tree planting/green space; supporting the marine industry/representing this aspect of the Old Town in the Appraisal (*note: reference is made within the Appraisal to the importance of the working port character, and history, of the Old Town, and the need to balance the range of uses in the Old Town, including industry, residential and tourism*). When asked if there were any other good/harmful aspects that should be included in the Appraisal, responses included the Cinder Path, addressing anti social behaviour, providing more litter bins (*note: these are outside the scope of the Conservation Area Appraisal*). When considering how the appearance of the Conservation Area could best be improved, responses included:

consistent yellow lines, fewer road signs, more cobbled streets, stricter planning controls, consistent street furniture. In terms of permitted development, some respondents considered that planning controls should be used, including controls to windows, boundaries and materials, while another respondent felt that minor development should be permitted if it enhances the attractiveness of the area. In regard to conserving/enhancing the Conservation Area, one respondent felt that further reference should be included regarding traffic in the Old Town and the impact on the character of the area, and consideration of the maritime industry (*note: reference to the impact of traffic is included in the Appraisal, regard has also been had for the Old Leigh Spatial Plan produced by Leigh Town Council in regard to its objectives for the Old Town, including consideration of the maritime industry*).

Prittlewell Conservation Area Appraisal

5 responses received.

Responses were received from residents, property owners and businesses. The majority of respondents considered that, in general, the Appraisal had identified the area's special architectural/historic interest. Other comments included that the Appraisal should reference Southend being the South End of Prittlewell (*note: this is included in the Appraisal*). When asked if there were other areas of special interest should be included in the Appraisal, one respondent considered that Priory Park and Prittlewell Priory should be included (*note: this area is not in immediate proximity to the Conservation Area boundaries and is not included, although it is referenced within the Appraisal. Prittlewell Priory is however a listed building, and a Scheduled Monument*). When asked what elements of special interest should not be included in the Appraisal, one respondent felt that West Street should be excluded due to its run down appearance (*note: the boundary of the Conservation Area has been considered as part of the production of the Conservation Area Appraisal, and has not been recommended for alteration*). In terms of improving the appearance of the Conservation Area, responses included those which are outside the scope of a Conservation Area Appraisal including the provision of more litter bins, street cleaning, respondents also considered that conservation grants would be beneficial to enhance the area's appearance. A small number of respondents considered that permitted development rights should be controlled, including alterations to boundaries, windows and materials.

Shorefields Conservation Area Appraisal

10 responses were received.

The majority of respondents were residents, property owners and businesses also responded. Most respondents considered that, in general, the Appraisal has identified the area's special architectural/historic interest. One respondent considered that further detail should be included regarding the history of the former Beecroft Galley (*note: a more detailed description has been included within the Appraisal*). Other elements that respondents considered should be included in the Appraisal included The Cliffs Pavilion and the Gardens (*note: the boundary*

of the Area has been considered as part of the production of the Appraisal and no significant amendments to the boundary are proposed). When asked how the appearance of the Conservation Area could best be improved, responses included: through enforcement action, restoring original features, the upkeep of the former Beecroft Gallery. When considering planning controls, a number of respondents considered that planning controls were needed to address issues such as alterations to windows, boundaries and materials, paintwork, chimneys, front doors/enclosures, party wall parapets (note: there is an Article 4 direction in place at Shorefields, no amendments to the Article 4 Direction are proposed at this time).

Warrior Square Conservation Area Appraisal

6 responses were received.

Responses to the consultation were received from residents, property owners and businesses. In general, most respondents considered that the Appraisal had adequately identified the area's special architectural/historic interest. When asked what other elements of special interest should be included in the Appraisal, one respondent considered that buildings on the High Street should be included, while another respondent there was a need for more green space in the town (*note: this is outside the scope of the Conservation Area Appraisal*). When asked if the Appraisal had adequately addressed the good and harmful features of the Conservation Area, one respondent suggested that more green space was needed in the town, while anti-social behaviour was also mentioned (*note: this is outside the scope of the Appraisal*). Respondents considered that planning controls on permitted development could be beneficial, including changes to windows, boundaries and materials (*note: an article 4 direction is not proposed as part of this Appraisal, the majority of properties within the Area are flats and therefore certain permitted development rights are restricted*). One respondent considered that the area would benefit from Conservation Grant Funding (*note: this is outside the scope of the Appraisal*).