



Church Street, Rugeley Conservation Area: Draft Appraisal and Management Plan

The Council is inviting comments on new Draft management documents for Church Street, Rugeley Conservation Area.

Church Street was designated as a Conservation Area in 1992. It covers the historic area of streets and buildings to the north-west of Rugeley town centre. In order to help manage future changes as the area continues to develop a Draft Appraisal of significant aspects of its character and appearance which contribute to and detract from its special architectural and historic interest has been carried out. Following from this work, a Draft Management Plan setting out ways in which this character and appearance might be preserved and enhanced has been prepared. Everyone living or working in the Conservation Area (or more widely if interested) is invited to have their say.

The Appraisal updates a previous document from 2006 in response to a changing planning background including changes in use and new development. It sets out the development history of the Conservation Area and seeks to identify what matters and why, from window design and traditional materials to trees and views. It concludes with some recommendations for ways of preserving and enhancing these special features. Copies of the Draft Appraisal are available on the Council's website www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk/planningpolicy under 'Planning Policy News' or can be inspected at Rugeley and Brereton Libraries and the Civic Centre, Cannock during normal opening hours.

The Draft Management Plan, to be read in conjunction with the Council's generic Conservation Areas Management Plan SPD adopted a few years ago and available on the Council's website https://www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk/sites/default/files/generic_conservation_areas_management_plan_nov16.pdf, aims to develop the recommendations in the Appraisal into measures designed to help preserve and enhance its characteristic buildings and features, guide new development and highlight the potential for future enhancements in the Area. Copies of the Draft Management Plan are available on the Council's website www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk/planningpolicy under 'Planning Policy News' or can be inspected at Rugeley and Brereton Libraries and the Civic Centre, Cannock during normal opening hours.

Comments are invited during the six week consultation period Monday 5th November to Monday 17th December 2018 either by email to planningpolicy@cannockchasedc.gov.uk or by post to Planning Policy, Cannock Chase Council, Civic Centre, PO Box 28, Beecroft Road, Cannock WS11 1BG. All comments received will be reported to a future Cabinet meeting for updating the documents as appropriate prior to their final adoption. For all submitted comments we are unable to treat views confidentially. Names will be made public but contact details will not be disclosed. If you would like to speak about the documents please ask for Angela Grove, Principal Planner, telephone 01543 464517.

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