

Reference	Consultee	Comment	Response
<b>General</b>	Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum	There are opportunities for improving the green spaces in the Padiham Conservation Area so that they become more attractive landscape features which can at the same time also benefit wildlife and enhance the Conservation Area.	Comments are noted.
<b>9. Implementation of the Plan</b> 9.5 Community Consultation & Engagement	Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum	BWCF would welcome any future opportunities to assist with the process of enhancing Padiham Conservation Area's greenspaces, perhaps through the proposed Padiham TH Scheme steering group (Para 9.5) or in any other ways as appropriate.	Support welcomed and noted.
<b>5. Management Issues</b> Issue 9 Green/Open Space, Trees and Soft Landscaping	Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum	In the part of the draft management plan which outlines management issues (Issue 9, p15) it states that <i>"the conservation area has very little green space, however where small areas of informal landscaping and open space are present, it is commonly found that these areas are lacking in maintenance and purpose"</i> . Whilst referring to the present situation in this way, Issue 9 should place more emphasis on future opportunities on a more positive note, we suggest along the lines of <i>"it is commonly found that these areas have been maintained in the same traditional way and they are in need of a more modern makeover to enhance them with native trees, shrubs and plant species which will make them more attractive to both people and wildlife"</i> .	<p>This section of the Management Plan provides a summary of the key issues that detract from and/or threaten to harm the special interest, character or appearance of the Conservation Area and as such are described in a negative manner. BWCF's suggested text with regards to future opportunities has been considered for inclusion in the section of the Masterplan that provides recommendations and actions for enhancement (paragraph 6.4.4)</p> <p>The following amendment has been made to Issue 9 (page 15) in recognition of the amenity and wildlife potential of green-open spaces, trees and landscaping.</p> <p><i>The conservation area contains relatively few areas of planned open space largely due to the density of development that has occurred. The most significant area of greenspace and semi-natural wildlife habitat is that which extends from Shuttleworth Street and Starkie Street to the River Calder. Other prominent areas of open/green space include the historic burial ground to the north of Saint Leonards Church and the entrance area to Memorial Park. However</i></p> <p><del>Where small areas of informal landscaping and</del> <i>Where small areas of informal landscaping and green/open space are present, they offer significant opportunities to increase the amenity and wildlife value of the conservation area. However it is commonly found that these areas are generally lacking in</i></p>

			<i>maintenance and purpose, largely due to constrained resources, and in such instances their condition is limiting their potential.</i>
<b>6. General Management Recommendations and Actions for Enhancement</b> 6.4.4 Planting and Green Space	Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum	The suggestion along the lines of <i>“the green spaces within the conservation area are in need of enhancement by way of planting native trees, shrubs and plant species which make them welcoming to both people and wildlife.”</i> recommendation should be similar or consistent with our “Issue 9”	Agreed. The text has been amended to reflect the response as follows: Delete all of 6.4.4 and add <del>Planting (in the Public Realm) and GreenSpace</del> <b>6.5 Trees, Green/Open Space and Landscaping</b> <i>The conservation area contains few areas of formal open space largely due to the density of development that has occurred. However where green/open spaces are present, they offer significant opportunities to increase the amenity and wildlife value of the conservation area.</i>  <b>RECOMMENDATION</b> <i>Existing green spaces that are important to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area should be protected and enhanced. Enhancement proposals should include planting of native trees, shrubs and plant species which will make them welcoming to both people and wildlife. The Council should continue to develop proposals for building the capacity of local communities to collaborate in the maintenance and enhancement of the green/open spaces within the conservation area.</i>
<b>6.5 Priorities for Change and Actions</b> 6.5.1.4 Public Realm	Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum	<b>Starkie Arms Car Park:</b> Regarding the sentence that ends with <i>“street furniture and bollards”</i> we suggest adding <i>“some boundary green space with some tree and shrub planting interspersed with flower beds.”</i>	Agreed. The text has been amended to reflect the response as follows: When the opportunity arises, seek to work with the owners to investigate possibilities for <del>more appropriate car park surfacing, street furniture and bollards</del> <i>enhancing the visual appearance of the car park area. Ideally this should involve hard and soft landscaping that complements the area’s historic interest and provides amenity and wildlife benefits.</i>
<b>6.5 Priorities for Change and Actions</b> 6.5.1.4 Public Realm	Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum	<b>Green Space to the north of St Leonards Church:</b> The majority of this area of green space is mown utility grassland and we suggest that a comment should be added along the lines of <i>“This area of grassland has the potential for imaginative enhancement to form an attractive garden with flowerbeds and interspersed with tree and shrub planting.”</i>	Whilst having the appearance of utility grassland the green space behind Saint Leonards Church is an historic burial ground (closed in the 1850s) with restricted public access. The area should be treated with sensitivity and it is considered that a public garden on this site would not be appropriate.
<b>6.5 Priorities for</b>	Burnley Wildlife	<b>Gap Site on Mill Street:</b>	Comment noted. Mill Street this is a development site rather than a

<p><b>Change and Actions</b> 6.5.1.4 Public Realm</p>	<p>Conservation Forum</p>	<p>After <i>“gap site having a negative impact on Mill Street”</i> we suggest adding <i>“with an opportunity to create a new area of attractive greenspace”</i></p>	<p>gap site, benefiting from planning permission to rebuild on the foot print of the demolished school. The text has been amended to provide clarity on the temporary status of the gap site. As such it is not considered appropriate to include as a new area of greenspace as suggested.</p>
<p><b>6.5 Priorities for Change and Actions</b> 6.5.1.4 Public Realm</p>	<p>Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum</p>	<p><b>Riverside Open Space:</b> We understand that “near the junction of the road is an area of public realm and screen planting” refers to a small area adjacent the pet shop on Station Road near to the junction with Burnley Road. We suggest that the scope of 6.5.3.4 is expanded to include all the green space which surrounds the car-park next to the health centre and extends along the health centre’s boundary and up the steep slope to Mill Street. We suggest that this whole area is described as above in a sentence which would end with <i>“which is continuous inter-connected green space which has the potential for enhancement both for people and wildlife”</i></p> <p>Within the Trees and Soft landscaping section we suggest the text is replaced with something along the lines of <i>“the River Calder is not only a valuable landscape feature but also an important natural wildlife corridor and the present native trees and vegetation along its banks should be retained and if appropriate enhanced by additional planting with suitable species.”</i></p>	<p>Agreed. Paragraph 6.5.3.4 has been amended to reflect the response as follows: Near the junction of the Station Road and Burnley Road (<i>fronting the public car park</i>) there is an area of Council owned public realm and screen planting <del>that is in search of a purpose, which has the potential for improvement. could be better exploited.</del> <i>This area forms part of a continuous inter-connected green space, surrounding the car park to the rear and extending north to Mill Street, which has the potential for enhancement to increase wildlife and amenity values.</i></p> <p>Agreed. The text has been amended to reflect the response as suggested.</p>
<p><b>6.5 Priorities for Change and Actions</b> 6.5.1.4 Public Realm</p>	<p>Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum</p>	<p><b>Mixed Historic, Industrial, Residential and Commercial</b> 6.5.4.6 states that “though outside the boundary, Guy St is bordered to the north by greenspace” This area of greenspace needs to complement the conservation area and the boundary could be expanded to incorporate this green space within in it. Either inside or outside the boundary we suggest the following is added to the end of the sentence “with potential for enhancement with additional trees, shrubs and flower planting for people and wildlife”</p>	<p>Within this character area, the conservation area boundary is considered generally to be an appropriate definition of the area of special architectural and historic interest. However in recognition of the positive contribution that this greenspace to the setting of the conservation area, the text has been amended to reflect the potential for enhancement as follows: <i>Guy Street is bordered on the north by a significant area of greenspace. Whilst positively contributing to the setting of the conservation area the greenspace could be better utilised to take advantage of the opportunities to increase amenity and wildlife values.</i></p>

<p><b>6.5 Priorities for Change and Actions</b> 6.5.1.4 Public Realm</p>	<p>Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum</p>	<p><b>Riverside Residential</b> This area includes the Conservation Area’s most extensive area of greenspace which extends from Shuttleworth Street and Starkie Street to the River Calder. The main part of this area along the River Calder comprises the Conservation Area’s most valuable semi-natural wildlife habitat, which needs to be protected and where appropriate enhanced. We suggest something positive along these lines is added to the text in 6.5.5.6</p>	<p>Agreed. Additional text has been added 6.5.5.6 to reflect the response as suggested.</p> <p><i>This area includes the Conservation Area’s most extensive greenspace and most valuable semi-natural wildlife habitat, which extends from Shuttleworth Street and Starkie Street to the River Calder. The Council should work closely with the owner to ensure that the area is appropriately managed and that enhancement opportunities are taken as appropriate.</i></p>
<p><b>6.5 Priorities for Change and Actions</b> 6.5.1.4 Public Realm</p>	<p>Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum</p>	<p><b>Church Street Frontage</b> Fig 67 shows the bus shelter and closed public toilets adjacent to an area of soft landscaping. This is perhaps the most prominent greenspace in the Conservation Area and it is in need of an enhancing makeover. The closed public toilets, which have been unused for many years are an eyesore. As public toilet facilities are provided close by at the Town Hall and Memorial park they should be demolished. The adjacent area of soft landscaping needs to become much more attractive and together with the land released following demolition of the toilet building should be a priority for a complete re-designed public garden planted with appropriate native trees, shrubs and flowerbeds stocked with plants valuable to butterflies, bees and other insects so that it becomes an attractive feature for people and wildlife. We suggest altering or replacing the present text with something along these lines.</p>	<p>Agreed. The text has been amended to reflect the response as follows:</p> <p><i>A small space breaks the line of Church Street, adjacent to number 47. This Council owned grassed area has a small amount of grass, is screened to the south with some mature trees and includes a brick public toilet building and a bus shelter. Presently this is a functional area that does not offer any public recreation however the closure of the public toilets provides the opportunity to enhance the space which is presently a functional area that offers limited public recreation or wildlife benefit.</i></p> <p><b>PRIORITY</b> Seek to ensure that this area well lit, well-maintained and welcoming so as to avoid antisocial behaviour. <i>Opportunities should be taken to redesign the greenspace in a way that complements the areas historic context and enhances the amenity and wildlife value of the greenspace.</i></p>
<p><b>6.5 Priorities for Change and Actions</b> 6.5.1.4 Public Realm</p>	<p>Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum</p>	<p><b>The Arbores and Crossways</b> Paragraph 6.5.8.6 Priority box referring to the removal of trees not protected by the TPO. We suggest that this should be more robustly protective and suggest the text is amended along the lines of <i>“and investigate extending the TPO in order to give protection to the other valuable trees which are presently not included in the existing TPO”</i></p>	<p>It is not considered necessary to extend the TPO as all trees within the conservation area are already automatically protected by the requirement for landowners to notify the Council of their intention to carry out works to them. Tree Preservation Orders provide an additional protection for significant trees and groups of trees, where any proposed action requires permission.</p> <p>However it is suggested that the Priority be amended to provide</p>

			<p>clarity as follows... Ensure that the open spaces and trees along Arbory Drive are adequately protected by the Conservation Area designation. <del>Discourage new development that would alter this valuable greenspace or remove trees not protected by the TPO unless absolutely necessary.</del> <i>The Council should continue to work with landowners and other stakeholders to manage trees and open spaces within this area in a manner that recognises the important positive contribution they make to the character of the conservation area.</i></p>
<b>7.5 Extensions to the Conservation Area</b>	Burnley Wildlife Conservation Forum	<p>We suggest adding something along the lines of <i>“consideration should be given to extending the Conservation Area boundary to include any areas of greenspace which are currently alongside but outside the present boundary and to look for opportunities to create new areas of green space on any plots of open vacant land alongside but outside the present Conservation Area boundaries”</i></p>	<p>The boundary of the conservation area is considered generally to be an appropriate definition of the area of special architectural and historic interest.</p>
	Historic England	<p>We support the Buttress recommendation that a public realm and streetscape strategy be produced for Padiham to ensure design consistency, to protect traditional public realm and street surfaces, and to set out a strategy for future investment and management of space between buildings. A strategy would ensure relevant agencies are aware of heritage significance and are co-ordinated in their actions. The strategy could usefully address the detrimental impacts of vehicles on Burnley Road. Your management plan refers to the potential of a conservation skills training project as part of your THI, the repair of historic cobbled streets and flagged footways could make an excellent training project to build local understanding and skills.</p>	<p>Support for the production of a public realm and street surfaces strategy and what that could usefully include is noted.</p>
	Historic England	<p>The barley sugar twist cast iron street columns in Padiham are unique to the area. English Heritage previously funded repairs and cast iron extensions to many of these columns along with detached feeder pillars so they can be retained in use. A strategy for the repair and maintenance of surviving cast iron columns in Padiham should be included in a Public Realm and</p>	<p>Support for the production of a public realm and street surfaces strategy and what that could usefully include in respect of the surviving cast iron columns is noted.</p>

		Streetscape Strategy.	
	Historic England	Many properties on Albert Street seem to be suffering from lack of maintenance since English Heritage invested in restoring roofs, chimneys, masonry and external joinery via a previous CAP scheme. We urge Burnley Council to consider an Article 4 Direction to protect past public investment. You may also wish to consider applying an Article 4 Direction to cover other properties following your TH investment.	<p>Historic England’s strength of support for the use of an Article 4 Direction is noted. This matter is addressed in detail in paragraph 8.2.1 of the CAMP.</p> <p>The scope for an Article 4(2) Direction <b>in the TH Scheme area</b> is limited, because few of the buildings are single family dwellings and controls are, therefore, already available. Normal planning controls, if properly enforced, should therefore be adequate to safeguard its historic character. Nonetheless, the Council could consider the use of an Article 4(1) Direction to withdraw permitted development rights within the TH Scheme area for the painting of existing painted buildings (and therefore any colour changes) or unpainted buildings.</p>
	Historic England	We are pleased to note that Burnley Council will consider enforcement action where necessary.	Support noted.
	Historic England	Your management plan refers to the high vacancy rate in Padiham. It would be helpful if the management plan could set out how vacancy might be tackled by way of planning policy or direct actions. For example, Oldham Council have been acquiring retail properties in their town centre, restoring them and releasing them back onto the market for preferred uses. Other authorities are utilising new tools available under the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act, utilising BPRA, establishing JVs or introducing Business Rate Relief etc. to incentivise private investment.	<p>It is considered that the Management Plan as drafted makes adequate provision within its priorities, recommendations and actions for addressing long term vacant properties.</p> <p>The intention to work proactively with owners and developers to establish and implement new and viable uses for properties. The Townscape Heritage Scheme is the funding mechanism for partnership working to tackle a range of issues that include vacant buildings. It is hoped that the TH investment will act as a catalyst to encourage private investment in the area. The TH will address the negative impacts that vacant buildings are having on the area and it is expected that this, alongside public realm improvements and the Council’s wider based business support and town centre management initiatives will encourage new business start –ups and support the local economy.</p> <p>Resolving long term vacant commercial properties is complex and time consuming and will require input from Planning, Legal, Environmental Health, Housing and Property Services. There are insufficient resources within the Council to proactively deal with all</p>

			<p>such properties, but it is acknowledged that the current reactive and informal approach is insufficient to resolve the complex issues relating to some of the properties within the conservation area and that a more proactive approach is required. Within current staffing resources across the various Council services that could be involved in finding a solution for an individual property, it is considered that moving forward with two properties within the TH area using HLF funding and powers under the relevant planning acts would allow the Council to move forward with limited impact on other work areas.</p> <p>Padiham town centre benefits from existing small business rate relief schemes,</p>
<b>General</b>	Head of Greenspaces and Amenity	<p>The HLF assesses applications in relation to the outcomes for Heritage, People and Communities. I know that other parts of the TH application will cover these outcomes but I couldn't find any specific reference to the outcomes in the CAMP.</p> <p>There are specific recommendations that cover outcomes for heritage and there may also be an opportunity for the CAMP to make also recommendations and identify actions in relation to outcomes for people and communities. It may be worth putting a table into the document that summarises recommendations in relation to these outcomes?</p>	<p>Section 2: Introduction, describes the relationship between the CAMP and TH. The CAMP sets out guidance and future actions for the preservation and enhancement of the conservation area whilst the TH scheme is the funding mechanism for partnership working to tackle a range of issues that include people and communities (social). Whilst recognising that there will be outcomes for people and communities it is not considered necessary to specifically reference these in the CAMP.</p>
<b>Enforcement Recommendations</b> Paragraph 12.5.3	Head of Greenspaces and Amenity	<p>In section 12.5.3, recommendation 6 refers to building links with local building preservation trusts and community groups but is not specific about these groups, which might be expected in such a document.</p>	<p>Noted. It is not intended that this is prescriptive as community groups and BPTS can be relatively fluid, often being formed and constituted to react to the plight of a specific building.</p>
<b>Implementation Actions</b> Paragraph 12.5.4	Head of Greenspaces and Amenity	<p>In 12.5.4 refers to an 'informal officer group' but is not specific. What is the role for Padiham Town Council and can it be a heritage champion?</p>	<p>Paragraph 12.5.4 summarises the Recommendations and Actions in 9.2 Funding and Resources. The text on 9.2.1 has been amended to provide clarity on the role and membership of the officer group and the heritage champion as follows:</p> <p>Managing the Conservation Area effectively will require experienced professional input from a range of fields to ensure a co-ordinated</p>

			<p>approach by the Council to respond to the issues raised in this management plan. It is recognised that a development team approach would help to ensure that such issues are widely understood within the authority. This group would include officers from key services from across the Council, including but not limited to Development Control; Regeneration and Planning Policy; Town Centre Management; Engineers (including Lancashire County Council Highways), Streetscene, Greenspace and Amenities and Housing. The group would meet regularly to discuss relevant issues and to create a better understanding conservation area management.</p> <p>To ensure the successful management of the conservation areas, it will also be necessary to ensure that Council officers involved in conservation area management have sufficient high level support to ensure decision-making has proper regard to historic environment considerations. It is proposed that a relevant Head of Service with the Council or an Executive member be identified as a 'heritage Champion'. The role of the Champion would be of particular relevance in strategic matters where the historic environment can often be inadvertently overlooked.</p>
<b>9.5 Community Consultation and Engagement</b>	Head of Greenspaces and Amenity	There doesn't seem to be any reference to work that has been done previously or currently to promote knowledge of heritage in Padiham including the Padiham Town Trail, various booklets, guided walks, etc.	<p>Agreed. The document has been amended to include the following actions:</p> <p><i>ACTION: To widen the awareness and understanding of the historic and architectural interest of the conservation area by building upon the success of previous local heritage focussed engagement projects and initiatives from local interest and community groups such as guided walks, local history workshops, exhibitions and publications.</i></p> <p><i>ACTION: To proactively support activities that will enable the broadest community to participate in and share their local and community heritage, especially those more recent stories within living memory.</i></p>
<b>Management Issues</b> Issue 9	Head of Greenspaces and Amenity	The CAMP states that "there is very little green space and where present it lacks maintenance and purpose" The plan on page 55 suggests otherwise with perhaps as much as 15% of	<p>Agreed. The text has been amended to reflect the response as follows:</p> <p><i>The conservation area contains relatively few areas of planned open</i></p>



		<p>the conservation area being open space and incorrectly identifies that it is all publically accessible.</p> <p>Maintenance of the publically owned POS is constrained by shortage of staff but we are developing work with volunteers and reference could be made to the opportunity to improve the maintenance of POS in this way.</p>	<p><i>space largely due to the density of development that has occurred. The most significant area of greenspace and semi-natural wildlife habitat is that which extends from Shuttleworth Street and Starkie Street to the River Calder. Other prominent areas of open/green space include the historic burial ground to the north of Saint Leonards Church and the entrance area to Memorial Park. However</i></p> <p><del>Where small areas of informal landscaping and green/open space are present, they offer significant opportunities to increase the amenity and wildlife value of the conservation area. However it is commonly found that these areas are generally lacking in maintenance and purpose, largely due to constrained resources, and in such instances their condition is limiting their potential.</del></p> <p>The plan in 12.3 has been corrected in accordance with the response and amended to reflect the distinction between publically owned open space and privately owned greenspace.</p>
<p><b>General Management Recommendations and Actions for Enhancement</b> 6.4.4 Planting and Green Space</p>	Head of Greenspaces and Amenity	<p>Maintenance of the publically owned POS is constrained by shortage of staff but we are developing work with volunteers and reference could be made to the opportunity to improve the maintenance of POS in this way.</p>	<p>Agreed. The recommendation relating at 6.4.4 has been amended to reflect the response as follows: <i>Existing green spaces that are important to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area should be protected and enhanced. Enhancement proposals should include planting of native trees, shrubs and plant species which will make them welcoming to both people and wildlife. The Council should continue to develop proposals for building the capacity of local communities to collaborate in the maintenance and enhancement of the green/open spaces within the conservation area.</i></p>
	Head of Greenspaces and Amenity	<p>The open spaces include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The seating area on Station Road (Burnley B.C). This area has potential for improvement and we can develop proposals.</li> <li>2. The Millennium Garden on Mill St created by Padiham Town Council (Burnley B.C), same recommendation as above.</li> <li>3. The extensive ‘banks’ which are owned by the Huntroyd</li> </ol>	<p>Comments are noted. The plan at 12.3 has been amended to reflect the distinction between publically owned open space and privately owned greenspace and additional information has been added as follows:</p> <p><b>Station Road</b> – The text has been amended to reflect the response as follows: <i>Near the junction of the Station Road and Burnley Road (fronting the public car park) there is an area of Council owned public realm and screen planting that is in search of a purpose,</i></p>

		<p>Estate through which there is a Public Right Of Way. There needs to be discussion with the Huntroyd estate regarding management of this area.</p> <p>4. The entrance to Memorial Park, which includes the war memorial garden, air crash memorial garden, rose garden, visitor centre garden, Knight Hill House and the associated dementia garden and public toilets. The Park holds a Green Flag Award and is owned by Burnley B.C. Current proposals include improving the parking area at the entrance, improvements to the war memorial garden including provision of disabled access.</p> <p>5. A closed burial ground on North St maintained by Burnley B.C</p> <p>6. The greenspace around the toilets on Church Street, Burnley B.C. This area could be improved and the yellow salt bin moved.</p> <p>7. A privately owned area of land on Havelock Street. There needs to be discussion with the owner about this site</p> <p>8. The closed church yard on Church Lane owned by St Leonards Church and there needs to be discussion with the Church about landscape improvements, such as tree planting and opening up access.</p>	<p><i>which has the potential for improvement. could be better exploited. This area forms part of a continuous inter-connected green space surrounding the car park to the rear and extending north to Mill Street, including the Millenium Garden created by Padiham Town Council, which has the potential for enhancement to increase wildlife and amenity value.</i></p> <p><b>Millenium Garden, Mill Street</b> –This area is covered in the text above, as part of an interconnected greenspace with the seating area on Station Road.</p> <p><b>The Banks of the River Calder</b> – The plan in 12.3 has been amended to reflect the ownership of the green space. The text in paragraph 6.5.5.6 has been amended as follows: <i>This area includes the Conservation Area’s most extensive greenspace and most valuable semi-natural wildlife habitat, which extends from Shuttleworth Street and Starkie Street to the River Calder. The Council should work closely with the owner to ensure that the area is appropriately managed and that enhancement opportunities are taken as appropriate.</i></p> <p><b>Entrance to Memorial Park</b> – The text in 6.5.9.4 has been amended to describe the distinctive elements within the park entrance, the status of the park and the current proposals as follows: <i>This charater area is bounded by a high traffic road and incorporates the entrance to the Memorial Park, the only public park in Padiham. The park, which presently holds a Green Flag Award, comprises two sites linked by a riverside walk both of which are outside the conservation area boundary. However the formal entrance to the park is included in the Conservation Area and is an attractive feature which makes a positive contribution to the quality of the townscape. The park entrance includes the war memorial garden, air crash memorial garden, rose garden, visitor centre garden, Knight Hill House and the associated dementia garden and public toilets. Memorial Park is an important area of green/open space and is well managed. Current proposals include improvements to the entrance parking area and to the war memorial garden.</i></p>
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<b>What is important about the character and appearance of the Conservation Area?</b>	Project Padiham	Footpaths and roads and pedestrian areas need to be kept natural as they would have been unlike Burnley centre using alien surfaces like Trafalgar Street which are out of character (and expensive). Tarmac is out of character and lets the area down.
<b>What is important about the character and appearance of the Conservation Area?</b>	Resident	Some greenery and open space are vital, I like the pattern of the stones and the Church is a lovely focal point.
<b>Are there any other important issues threatening the character of the conservation area?</b>	Project Padiham	Building condition, ie the Constitutional Club on Mill Street and two shop fronts on Burnley Road between the banks. let the area down. Narrow footpaths are original and should be left alone otherwise traffic flow would be horrendous.
<b>Are there any other important issues threatening the character of the conservation area?</b>	Resident	It is important that the town centre also meets the requirements of people who live here today so for example traffic and greenspaces are vital issues. The roundabout near Starkies and the Church is a death trap to pedestrians crossing from the bottom of Gawthorpe Street to the hairdressers.
<b>Are there any other actions/proposals that you think should be undertaken to protect and/or enhance the area?</b>	Project Padiham	The Town hall should definitely be included in the Conservation Area, pure Art Deco, for Padiham to keep and maintain its charm and uniqueness. Property developers and investors should be given guidelines and advice on what is expected in conservation areas and enforce.
<b>What do you see as the main priority for</b>	Project Padiham	The tidying up of empty shops, finding the owners and making them bring the properties up to standard and explain the rules of having properties in the conservation area, as on Mill Street.

<b>Padiham Conservation Area?</b>		
<b>What do you see as the main priority for Padiham Conservation Area?</b>	Resident	Traffic Management and better access everywhere for pedestrians. Do not see Gawthorpe Street as a priority.
<b>Further comments?</b>	Project Padiham	Members and Officers should take turns to walk round the conservation area, not just look at photographs. Project Padiham has been involved with planning applications in the Conservation Area for 30 years, local knowledge being very important. The group was originally consulted over the areas and we are pleased to be part of the consultation process.
<b>Further comments?</b>	Resident	Starkies is a focal point as you are coming into Padiham – would like to see seats at the front put at the back and people encouraged to sit round the back rather than all congregating around the front. A garden around the back would also look nice as you go down Burnley Road would lead into the public open space area. Need to enable pedestrians to more easily get across the road from Barclays bank to shop on the other side.