



BRAUNSTONE TOWN COUNCIL

Proposed Extension to Conservation Area

Residents Survey Results - 11/01/2022

1. Do you agree that the southern (Braunstone Town/Blaby District) side of Braunstone Village (i.e. South of Braunstone Lane/Main Street) should be designated as a Conservation Area, complimenting the existing Conservation Area on the northern (Leicester City) side of Braunstone Village?

Survey Question 1 Results:

TOTAL:

YES – 38

NO - 0

Comments:

It makes sense to have the area covering both sides of the road as there are notable historic properties on the Blaby DC side as well as the Main Street side.

This is a beautiful and historic part of the old Braunstone Village and should be preserved

With the present increase in new buildings and added traffic through the village we must protect the heritage of the village before it is swallowed up and lost to future generations.

I think it's important to keep the character and not have any building not in keeping with what is already there

To preserve the ancient buildings on the southern side

Braunstone Town sounds like it's a City Centre

Every Green space is needed (Desperately)

To keep the heritage of Braunstone Town Safe



Many of the buildings, and spaces have great character and must be retained

The character and history of the area needs protecting

It will help to unify the area and hopefully prevent any more ill considered additions

The southern side of the village needs as much statutory protection as possible. It's heritage assets are just as important and worthy of conserving as those in the existing conservation area, if not more so, and it should have been declared a conservation area long ago, certainly no later as the City's conservation area was created.

The south side of Braunstone Lane arguably has the finer, older buildings which need as much protection as those within the City Conservation Area.

Would hate to see Benbow Spinney disappear

Currently only ½ the old village of Braunstone is covered by a conservation area, the south side of Braunstone Lane has older buildings and needs equal protection

I have no reason to disagree with the arguments set out in the character assessment

It is a precious remnant of the old village with some fantastic old houses

This important area has suffered from past poor planning

Need these areas

Yes - but the area is a mish-mash of differing architectural buildings/styles/periods. The most heritage worthy are already assigned graded listing protection and they should be considered for further conservation alongside buildings non graded of similar age/appearance eg Old milk house

2. If your answer above is yes; do you agree with the proposed boundary for the Conservation Area (marked in red on the enclosed map)?

Survey Question 2 Results:

YES – 35

NO – 2

**If no, please describe where you would make changes?
Please specify – 3**



The field behind Numbers 35 to 43 Avon Road should be included; it is currently identified as 'informal open space' in the District Council's Open Space Audit 2015, and is presently under threat of unsuitable development in spite of being a part of the setting of the Grade II Listed Manor house. The open grassed area adjoining it should likewise be included as a part of the setting, and arguably even the curtilage, of the Manor house; it likewise is currently under the same threat. While it is accepted that some further use of this area will probably be found in future, its inclusion would help to ensure its appropriateness to the area.

The 1960's/30's properties in the conservation area should be omitted from the boundary. The Appraisal speaks nothing of their interest.

Green wedge behind Avon Road bungalows should be included.

3. If your answer to question 1 is yes; do you consider the Draft Character Appraisal fully and accurately describes the special architectural, historic interest, character and appearance of Braunstone Village?

Survey Question 3 Results:

YES - 37

NO - 1

4. Where do you live?

In the proposed Conservation Area - 11

In the Braunstone Leicester City Conservation Area - 3

Rest of Braunstone Town - 17

Rest of Braunstone Park and Rowley Fields - 0

Outside the areas above - 4

Did not answer - 3

Residents' will get a further opportunity to contribute at Braunstone Towns' Citizens' Advisory Panel on Thursday 3rd March 2022, at 7.30pm either at Braunstone Civic Centre or online.

All responses will then be considered by the Town Council's Planning & Environment Committee on Thursday 10th March 2022 at 7.30 at Braunstone Civic Centre and also online.

