

I think these plans are an excellent idea to preserve and enhance the heritage of the area. Would the green spaces on the edges of the boundary to the plans for the conservation area not also be included to preserve those green spaces?

The guide for residents and businesses on the upkeep and adjustments that they can make to keep the original character of the buildings would be very beneficial.

I am all in favour of this plan with the exception that The Tower Buildingd are an absolute eyesorer and have been for many years, and something needs to be done about the sate of these. When approaching Colne from Skioton these give a real bad example of our beautiful town.

While I support, in principle, the designation of Keighley Road, Colne, as a Conservation Area, I am concerned that such status would not allow Residents to create off-road car parking spaces in their properties so that they can access charging points for their electric cars.

This is increasingly important as the former Government has a Policy of 80% of new cars and 70% of new vans sold in Great Britain will now be zero emission by 2030, increasing to 100% by 2035 and the current Government has strengthened the Policy to ban sales of new petrol and diesel vehicles by 2030.

If such off-road car parking spaces are not allowed in the Conservation Area, will the Council assure Residents that they can reserve an on-road car space outside their properties with access to a free cross-pavement channel charging point, which Lancashire County Council is currently installing in Pendle in a pilot project?

I think itâ€™s a really good idea. It will preserve the feel, architecture and history of the area for future generations. Ensuring that anything new that is added fits in with the surrounding area. I believe the historical buildings are very important to preserve and would be fully in favour of this plan as a local resident.

I object most strongly to this proposal. My particular concerns are: The front of my house is the only area which faces the sun!!! As are all the houses on my side of the road. I thought that the council would be asking people to get solar panels to make the houses more 'eco-friendly'. I really believe that the value of my house will fall if it is contained within a conservation area. The council can currently stop any silly building proposals - and for the past 100 years we on Keighley Road seem to have made a pretty fair job of keeping these houses looking great (or you would not want to keep them as a conservation area). So - I OBJECT.

I feel the plans would benefit such an historical area, by ensuring these buildings, roads etc are being preserved for further generations to enjoy. So many places of interest have been lost in the past in various areas of Pendle, Lancashire and other locations theses losses cannot be brought back which is such a shame, lets learn from past mistakes. A conservation area will ensure the community especially will take pride and care of such an honour. Together with the councils these plans will ensure generations to come can enjoy such an interesting area of Pendle.

I agree that the section of Keighley Road mentioned is a valid area for such conservation measures but do have a couple of questions.

How would the designation of this area as an area for conservation affect the work that needs to be done on the roads that are laid over cobbles and need repair or the repair of the cobbled back streets needing repair because of their use to carry heavy vehicles such as dustbin waggons?

Would such conservation measures take into account changes that have already been made to a number of the terraced houses? Some of the terraced houses have dormer windows, would other of the terraced houses be allowed to seek the same use of their upper floor?

In 2001 we chose to live at Carry Bridge, having spent 20 years considering locations. The view as you turn onto Carry Lane is one of the best in the area, though the right hand side of it has recently gone forever, obscured by the inappropriate three storey town houses built in the last five years. The stone wall and supports on the east side of the lane have deteriorated significantly in the time we've lived here, partly as a result of stone theft, which I've seen in progress, but they drove off before I could get details, and one of the supports was broken by a concrete truck building Carry Fields. ASB has diminished markedly in the area, with little vandalism and theft for the last 15 years. It was a real problem when we first moved here, and I was on the Cemetery Committee to sort out vandalism in the cemetery. We also asked the council to remove graffiti from the bridge, as it was covered in it.

On the whole we support the plans. There are questions to answer in regards assisting owners where works are required, such as new windows and doors - would grants be provided if you insisted on tradition timber facades?

Recent gas works throughout the area have damaged stone setts to roads (Ellesmere), poorly relaid York slabs and even damaged whilst relaying and left in situ, would these be reinstated - areas of stone slabs have also been removed and infilled with concrete or tarmac.

I am writing to formally object to the proposal to designate a conservation area under Section 69 of the Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990, as it would impose burdensome regulations that could severely impact the value and future viability of my property. The imposition of a conservation area would create significant restrictions on any alterations or improvements I wish to make, including even minor repairs or modifications to the property's exterior. This would not only require additional planning permissions and involve lengthier approval processes, but it would also limit my flexibility in maintaining or enhancing the property to meet modern standards. These constraints would undoubtedly result in increased costs, delays, and uncertainty when undertaking any work, and would create a considerable financial burden for property owners like myself.

The added regulatory hurdles and limitations on the use of the property would almost certainly deter prospective buyers, leading to a decrease in its market value. Many buyers prefer properties with fewer restrictions, where they have the freedom to make necessary improvements or adapt the property to their needs. The reduced ability to renovate, extend, or modernize a property under conservation area rules makes it less attractive on the market, and could result in a lower selling price or, in some cases, difficulty selling at all. The financial impact of these factors would be considerable, and I firmly object to the implementation of a conservation area which includes my property.

Good morning,

I would like to object to the conservation area proposal.

I appreciate the sentiment to keep some of the historic aspects of the area, but creating a conservation area will slow down much needed development in the area by adding red tape to a process which is already onerous. For my company, this could lead to reduced investment in the area due to the extra difficulty of making improvements, improvements which would be greener, aesthetically better and provide opportunities in the area.

I also note that removing permitted development, such as allowing solar panels, will drastically reduce the number of green energy projects that will go ahead. As you will know, supporting the local grid with green energy is of great importance and this would just be another barrier preventing it.

Best regards

I see no point in the proposed conservation area, it does nothing to enhance the lives of the people in the area, just puts additional restrictions on them.

We already have both a Pendle and Colne locale area plans to cover planning for the area.

Also by my personal experience the council grants planning permission in contravention of the plans (re the recent replacement building at Park primary school) so what's the point in having an extra layer of planning control, that the council seems to ignore or enforce on a whim

I think its a bit late for turning it into a conservation area looking at the state of some of the buildings at the start of keighley road near the centre.

I oppose your plans for the keighley road area. The street has been here for many years and has managed to stay full of character without controls being over it

I would whole heartedly advocate for this areas becoming a conservation area. At the bottom of my street is Colne water and slightly further on Starkey Bottoms. Both areas are frequently used by local children particularly in summertime. Behind my street is the cemetery and a farmers field where I have personally seen deer, pheasants and hares. There are a number of birds of prey local to the area including buzzards, sparrow hawks and owls. We should be focusing on developing brown belt land and leaving our well used and appreciated green belt areas for humans and wildlife to enjoy.

1 - 18 Birtwistle Fold, Colne, BB8 0LU are bungalows which are owned and managed by the Peter Birtwistle Trust, an almshouse charity which is overseen by 12 trustees.

It is the opinion of the trustees that Birtwistle Fold should not be included in the Keighley Road Conservation Area for the following reasons:

The buildings have no heritage value.

A large number of the properties cannot be seen from Keighley Road.

The properties were built in 1964 and are of no historic value.

To include the Birtwistle Fold properties is inconsistent with the decision not to include the social housing properties on Peter Birtwistle Close and Robert Street.

A map of the area in question has been sent as part of this comment.

Hi

I'd like to reserve comment until I know why the adjacent park at the east end of the conservation area isn't included in the plan

We live in a cottage built pre 1816 and feel that it is important that our area is protected for future generations, therefore fully agree to the Conservation Area proposals.

I do not agree with the proposal as I feel that it would lower the value of my property as people would not want to buy something that came with the added admin that being in a conservation area would involve. I would like to oppose the plan. This is based on cost implications to ourselves for works going forward. I am aware that any building works we wish to complete will be subject to stringent planning applications and possibly will need to be carried out by someone who has undergone heritage training. I also feel that we should be able to put solar panels up to help with soaring energy costs. This proposal is, in my mind, not in keeping with how local economics sit currently.

I personally hit a brick wall wrt planning application for adding signage to our building (which might I add is classed as commercial for which we pay business rates). I see this would, in future, become even harder if not impossible.

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I think it is a wonderful idea. It would give our area protection and maybe make our properties more valuable both of which is good.

Having read through the supporting documents, I strongly agree to the proposal to designate Keighley Road as a conservation area.

It will ensure that this historic area is preserved for future generations.

I am responding as Chairman of Colne Cricket and Bowling Club.

The Club broadly agrees with the proposal for a conservation area. It shares the view that there are numerous buildings on Keighley of considerable historical and architectural interest.

It also agrees with the inclusion of Colne Cemetery and Colne Cricket ground. These two attractive green and historic spaces would add value to the conservation area.

All in all the designation would boost this special area of Colne.

Thank you

Supported. Will benefit the area and a gateway route into Colne

I would like a consultation on this matter.

I grew up in Colne and always loved walking along Keighley Road admiring the houses on here. I am now lucky enough to own one of these homes and be able to have my Christmas Tree in the front window, just like the ones I used to admire!

While I agree we need to embrace change, we need to be able to blend our rich industrial history and its beautiful buildings with the ideas of the fantastic designer and architects that we have around now. We need to be able to allow new ideas of what buildings should look like, mix them with the history of the area while ensuring modern innovations and sustainable tech is well used. We also need to consider the infrastructure and taking the strain from our already oversubscribed, under achieving schools before adding more family homes to the area.