

# Acton Park Conservation Area

## Formal consultation on conservation area designation

**Date Designated:** 1982 (Extended 1992,1997, 2004)

**Original Appraisal:** April 2009

**Original Management Plan:** April 2009

**Existing Article 4 Direction:** No



## Summary of area and its special interest

- an area of contrasts with peaceful open parkland to the south and the busier residential roads branching out from it.
- two main character areas can be distinguished within Acton Park CA: Sub Area 1) Acton Park Sub Area 2) The residential area to the north – Shaa Road and Perryn Road
- the CA has mainly a Victorian and Edwardian character with some of the buildings going back to the time when Ealing started to expand and flourish as one of London's more desirable suburbs. Building types are residential, transport, educational buildings, and public houses. The Goldsmith's Almshouses along East Churchfield Road are the main architectural landmark of the CA. Acton Park is at the core of the CA and is the main formal recreational space of the CA

A description of the special character of the CA is currently set out in [Acton Park CA Appraisal 2009](#). Guidelines for dealing with development in the area is currently set out in the [Acton Park CA Management Plan 2009](#).

## Background

The council, in liaison with the Conservation Area Advisory Panel (CAAP), reviewed the area and suggested some updates to the Creffield CA. There were set out in the Addendum Update Report for Acton Park CA (July 2020), and were discussed further through informal consultation with the CAAPs during 2021.

A number of updates and changes were then proposed to Ealing's conservation areas as part of the public and stakeholder consultation carried out in 2022. The responses to this consultation were reported to the [Local Plan Advisory Committee](#) on 22 March 2023.

The council agreed to take forward the recommendations on boundary changes to the next stage of formal consultation (for instance this consultation).

The council and the Conservation Area Advisory Panel (CAAP) have suggested some updates to the Acton Park CA. There were set out in the [Addendum Update Report for Acton Park CA \(July 2020\)](#), and were discussed further through informal consultation with the CAAPs during 2021. The key proposals are set out below.

## Boundary changes to the Acton Town Centre CA

The following boundary change is proposed for the Action Town CA:



**Proposal:** To remove East Acton Primary School and land occupied by the former Goldsmiths Arms Public House from the CA boundary, as shown by the heavy red outline on the map below.

**Reason:** Planning permission was recently granted to demolish the former Goldsmiths PH and redevelop it with residential, commercial and community units. It is considered that the architectural and historical association of the East Acton Primary School is not sufficient to warrant its inclusion within the CA boundary.

**Properties affected:**

- east Acton Primary School, East Acton Lane
- 94-105 (consec.) & 49-93 (consec.) Beechwood Grove
- current occupiers and landholders of former Goldsmith PH land)

## What do the proposals mean in practice?

The de-designation of the area shown above will mean that the area will no longer be classified as a conservation area of special architectural or historic interest that is desirable to preserve or enhance, as defined under the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

In practice this means that those living within the area will no longer be subject to the extra planning controls and considerations that apply to conservation areas, including:

- control over demolition of unlisted buildings
- control over works to trees
- limitations on the types of advertisements which can be displayed

- restriction on the types of development which can be carried out without the need for planning permission (permitted development rights)

Should the boundary change go ahead, the affected area will still be subject to the normal planning rules affecting non-designated areas and residents and occupiers are advised to check with the council before undertaking any works to their properties.

## Consultation question

- ❖ ACTPARK 001: Do you agree or disagree with the proposal to remove East Acton Primary School and land occupied by the former Goldsmiths Arms Public House from the CA boundary as specified above?

## Responding to the consultation

Please email your written response (with reasons), to the question above, on the proposed conservation area boundary change, to: [localplan@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:localplan@ealing.gov.uk)

In your response, please indicate which conservation area and question you are referring to.

The consultation deadline is 31 January 2024.

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