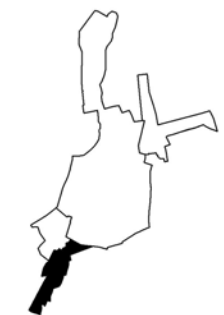


Character Area 3:
High Street



- Primary study area (1907 urban extent)
- Character Area
- Conservation Area
- Scheduled Monument
- Listed Building
- Historic Building

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This sheet summarises the comprehensive assessments of character and regeneration opportunities in Section 8 of the report.

An essentially linear development along the main road out of town to the south, an extension of Fore Street. Most buildings are on the east side, suggesting that this was speculative development on the land of one of the town's landlords. A line of beeches on the hedge to the south is also urban design and emphasises the gateway quality of this part of Camelford for travellers approaching from the south.

Most buildings are shown on a 1753 map of the town and many, while fairly plain, have distinctively early features such as massive stacks (some perhaps 17th century?) and uneven patterns of fenestration.

Although predominantly dwellings, there are several stores, semi-industrial buildings, and carriage arches through to rear yards, and shops. There were also two former inns. This mix of former uses still gives this area a distinctively workaday character.

The southern gateway to Camelford, a varied and largely vernacular set of modest dwellings interspersed with small stores, shops, carriage entrances, most of them set right up to a busy road.

Regeneration opportunities

- Retain and maintain all historic fabric. Celebrate it by including High Street in a reissued Town Trail.
- Review and where appropriate and in character enhance public realm in the Character Area. This should include pavement surfaces and kerbs, street lighting, roadside signage and road surface markings.
- A review of the Listing of the town should include consideration of the several 17th or 18th century buildings in this Character Area.
- Use Conservation Area status to ensure retention of key features (eg original or historical windows, doors and roof and wall coverings).
- Any new developments on the east side of the street should be built up to the road to maintain the present line.
- There should be no infilling behind the buildings along the street front. Important view from across the valley is dominated by the relationship between these houses and the medieval field patterns below.
- Boundary features on the west side of the street could be reviewed to assess whether they could be made to enclose the street more appropriately.
- Ensure that the beeches along the hedge south of this area are retained and kept in good condition.



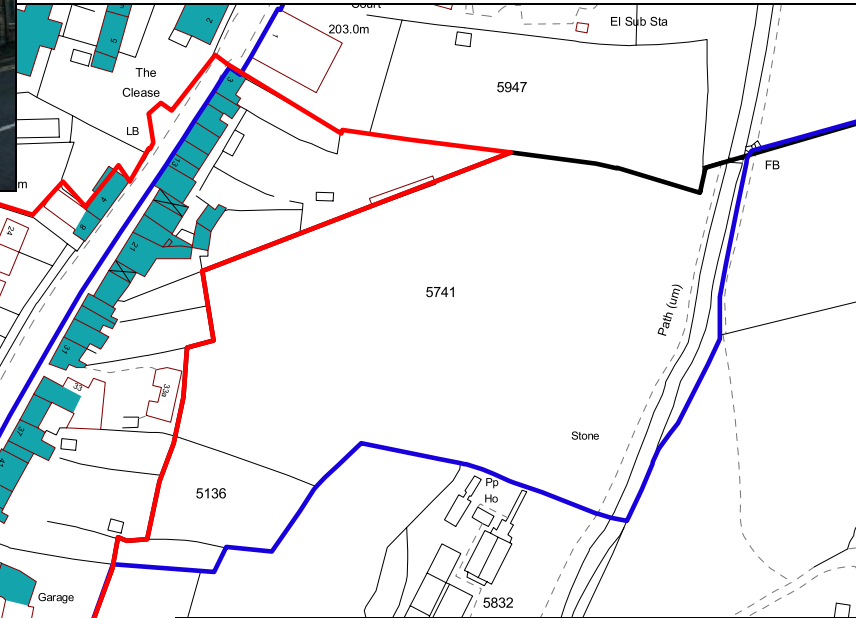
Variety of cottages and carriage houses



Former coach house in High Street



18th century or earlier houses in High Street



Beeches west of High Street



Couch's garage