






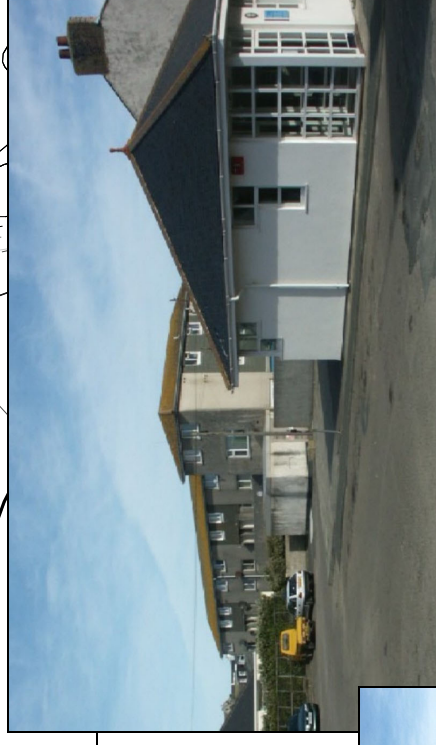
HUGH TOWN
Character area 4:
Porthcressa Bank

Key

-  Character Area boundary
-  Scheduled Monument
-  Listed Building
-  Other Historic Building
-  Historic Plot

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An open area used for shipbuilding in the 19th century and loosely infilled in the later 20th century. Potentially the site for a new 'quarter' in Hugh Town, extending the tight grain of the urban area to the sea on this shore of the isthmus.

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 This sheet summarises the comprehensive assessments of character and regeneration opportunities in sections 5 and 6 of the report.

Character summary
 Historically an open area behind the foreshore, used for shipbuilding in the 19th century but with earlier small-scale settlement at the eastern end. The present character derives from a low density mix of residential, commercial and leisure uses which developed in the later 20th century. An informal 'promenade' is set behind a popular bathing beach and there are fine views to seaward.

Regeneration opportunities
 This character area could offer a significant opportunity for a substantial new development within the historic area of Hugh Town. It is also a significant element of the town's 'seaside' role, meriting some small-scale improvements to presentation.

Assess the feasibility of a major new development

- A key initial step towards significant regeneration development would be a feasibility study, to include assessment of the threat from climate change and the financial viability of site assembly, proceeding to a master development plan for the area.

Create public realm improvements

- The grassed area on the seaward side of Ingram's Opening would benefit from small scale landscaping and environmental improvements.