

**Character Area 3:
The Barbican**

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

Character summary

The earliest focus of activity in Penzance. Although subject to major changes in the 20th century, important traces of its former tight-grained and small-scale industrial and residential character survive.

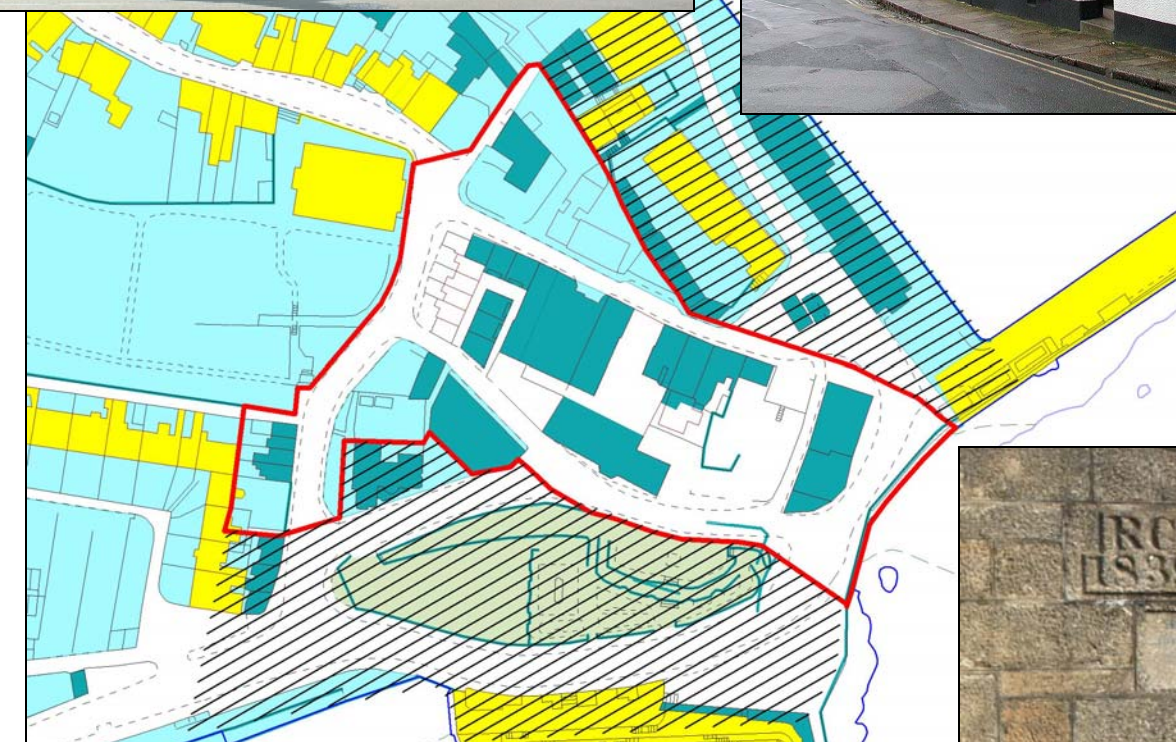
Regeneration opportunities

- Recognise the area's significance**

The challenge is to restore a sense of place and form to this area relevant and appropriate to its history and topography, and to recreate it as a place to go, live and work in its own right, not just as a link and service area between neighbouring areas (the working harbour, Chapel Street and Promenade).
- Create an integrated master plan for the area**

Changes here will have an impact upon the setting of significant historic buildings and on important streetscapes and views; those of particular note are the main ridge of the Penzance headland, the backdrops to the harbour and the Jubilee Pool and seaward views from the town. It is important, therefore, that change is managed in an integrated and comprehensive framework. Issues of parking, traffic and pedestrian flows can only be resolved as part of a wider transport and harbour-use strategy.
- Reinstate character and quality**

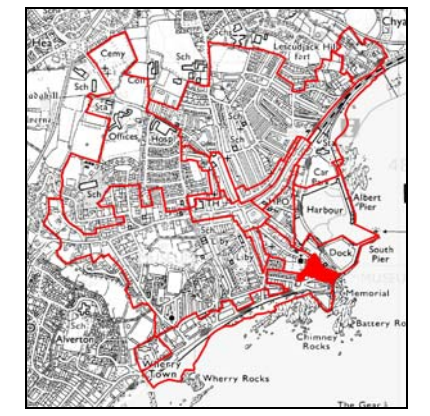
Development should respect the historic intimacy and scale of the area and maintain its mixed uses; this is potentially one of the most significant development areas in the historic core of Penzance and the greatest sensitivity is required.



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- Character Area Boundary
- Scheduled Monument
- Listed Building
- Other Historic Building
- Historic Plot
- Registered Historic Park & Garden
- Other Recreation & Open Space

NB. The hatching shown around the Character Area indicates the particularly broad transition zone between it and neighbouring Areas.



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