

CSUS: ST AUSTELL

Character area 7:

Suburban residential areas

-  Character Area boundary
-  Scheduled Monument
-  Listed Building
-  Other historic building
-  Other historic site

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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

The suburban residential areas surrounding the town comprise late 18th and 19th century villas set within substantial gardens. The mature planting and trees in this area form a leafy 'green-belt' which enhances many views around the town and makes a key contribution to its setting. The highly defined and defended boundaries provide a strong sense of privacy with only glimpses of the ostentatious large houses visible through their gateways. The historic character of these areas asserts past industrial prosperity and the pride and display of local entrepreneurs.

Regeneration opportunities

Maintain and enhance St Austell's 'green-belt'

- Develop a programme of replacement and additional planting of trees and shrubs to ensure that the area continues to provide a leafy backdrop for the town.
- Work with property owners and community groups to encourage ongoing planting and 'maintenance'.
- Identify and recommend appropriate species.

Maintain the sense of privacy and space

- Discourage subdivision of large plots to create high density and road frontage developments.
- Encourage retention of boundary walls and gateways
- Ensure that new development is screened and maintains appropriate planting density



Structures sit within mature gardens, providing only glimpses of often large ostentatious residences



Imposing gateways leading to meandering drives underline the status and privacy of the area



Enclosure and privacy provided by the strongly defined boundary walls and planted perimeter belts

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