9.0 Romford Conservation Area: Management Proposals

Category	Issues identified in character appraisal (see para.7.0)	Management proposal	Action by
Opportunity sites Major sites where re- development likely/ desirable; may need development/design briefs	LBH needs to identify sites where consent not yet given so that advice can be provided		
Improvement sites Existing buildings/sites need repair, enhancement, major intervention	Current use and/or external treatments detract from appearance of No 64 South Street (former GPO) and upper floor of Opium Lounge, North	<i>Site specific</i> guidance for enhancement and alterations would improve future treatment of facades and shop-fronts on these and similar buildings.	LBH (ES/DC)
	Street. Fire-damaged rear range of <i>The G</i> olden Lion (grade II) currently detracts from building and townscape	Pursue opportunity to reconstruct fire-damaged range through appropriate reinstatement scheme and provide design guidance.	LBH

Development control & enforcement To meet local needs and/or government. & GLA requirements	Need to improve liaison between DC and conservation staff		Consider provision of urban design/conservation training for DC staff & councillors to reinforce design guidance proposed	
Public realm Highways and traffic management Roads/footways: surfacing, signage, street furniture	Market Place lacks sense of place on non-market days due to dominance of parking and random traffic movement		Investigate creation of a car- free area on non-market days at the eastern end of the Market Place (now that multi- storey car parking provision increased).	LBH
Planning control/regulation CA boundary extension, Article 4(2) direction, listing additions/review	 CA boundary not relevant to current planning issues Local list needs to be extended to include: Nos. 42-50, 52-58 & 64 South St; 25-35 & 48 High St, Quadrant Arcade (detail right) 	ARCADE PRIMAR	Extend CA boundary (see Map 4) in line with current good practice to include whole buildings or curtilages rather than only façades, and in South Street to include good buildings towards rail station Add to local list as in col. 1	LBH

Education/advice Planning guidance, generic or site-specific Councillor training	- Nos 25-35 High St is a good Edwardian parade – poor fascias and shopfronts detract from qualities.		Detailed site-specific design guidance needed for gradual improvement and/or co- ordinated scheme (especially Quadrant Arcade).	LBH/shop- owners and tenants
	Character of North St 1930s parades & Quadrant Arcade facades & interiors affected by modern	<image/>	Generic design guidance on 1930s buildings would help improve their contribution to CA.	LBH/consult urban designers
	shopfronts Market Place has low standard of design from mid C20 and later buildings, & poor sense of place		Specific design guidance for shopfronts in Romford CA generally, including security shutters, also needed.	As above
			Identify sites likely to be redeveloped and set out design constraints & opportunities	As above