

Trafalgar Road Conservation Area 10

Designation

Conservation Area Designated:
14.01.1969

Location

OS Sheets: 1472

The conservation area is situated off Hampton Road, bounded to the south-west by Fourth Cross Road and the north-west by Gothic Road.

History and Development

The houses were built in 1845. In 1882 Trafalgar Square with its central pond and green sward was destroyed to make Trafalgar Road.

Character

The consistent scale and style of architecture distinguishes Trafalgar Road from its immediate surroundings. The buildings, villa style houses of the mid 19th century, amid a heavy planting of trees and shrubs, give dignity and delight to this tranquil residential area.

A planned estate either side of a central axis, the character of the conservation area is essentially that of high quality housing set in ample mature landscaped gardens. The spaces between the Trafalgar Road buildings are a very important component of the overall townscape which, together with the hipped roofs, emphasises the individual villa character of these houses.

All the houses have low pitched slate roofs and painted stucco or stock brick walls; some have a mixture of both. Most are decorated with moulded architraves and hoods over windows supported on console brackets typical of the late Regency period. Nos. 114-118 Hampton Road and no. 2 Trafalgar Road have fine iron balconies no. 114 Hampton Road and nos. 4, 9, 10 and 21 Trafalgar Road have good trellis porches and canopies.

Front garden boundaries to the road are distinguished by decorative gates and high quality iron railings on low brick walls with stone copings. Adequate street parking space has enabled the retention of front gardens as the appropriate quality of setting for the houses.

Problems and Pressures

- Development pressure which may harm the balance of the landscape-dominated setting, and the obstruction or spoiling of views and spaces between buildings
- Loss of traditional architectural features and materials due to unsympathetic alterations
- Loss of front boundary treatments and front gardens for car parking
- Lack of coordination and poor quality of street furniture and flooring
- Domination of traffic and poor pedestrian safety leading to clutter of signage and street furniture

Opportunity for Enhancement

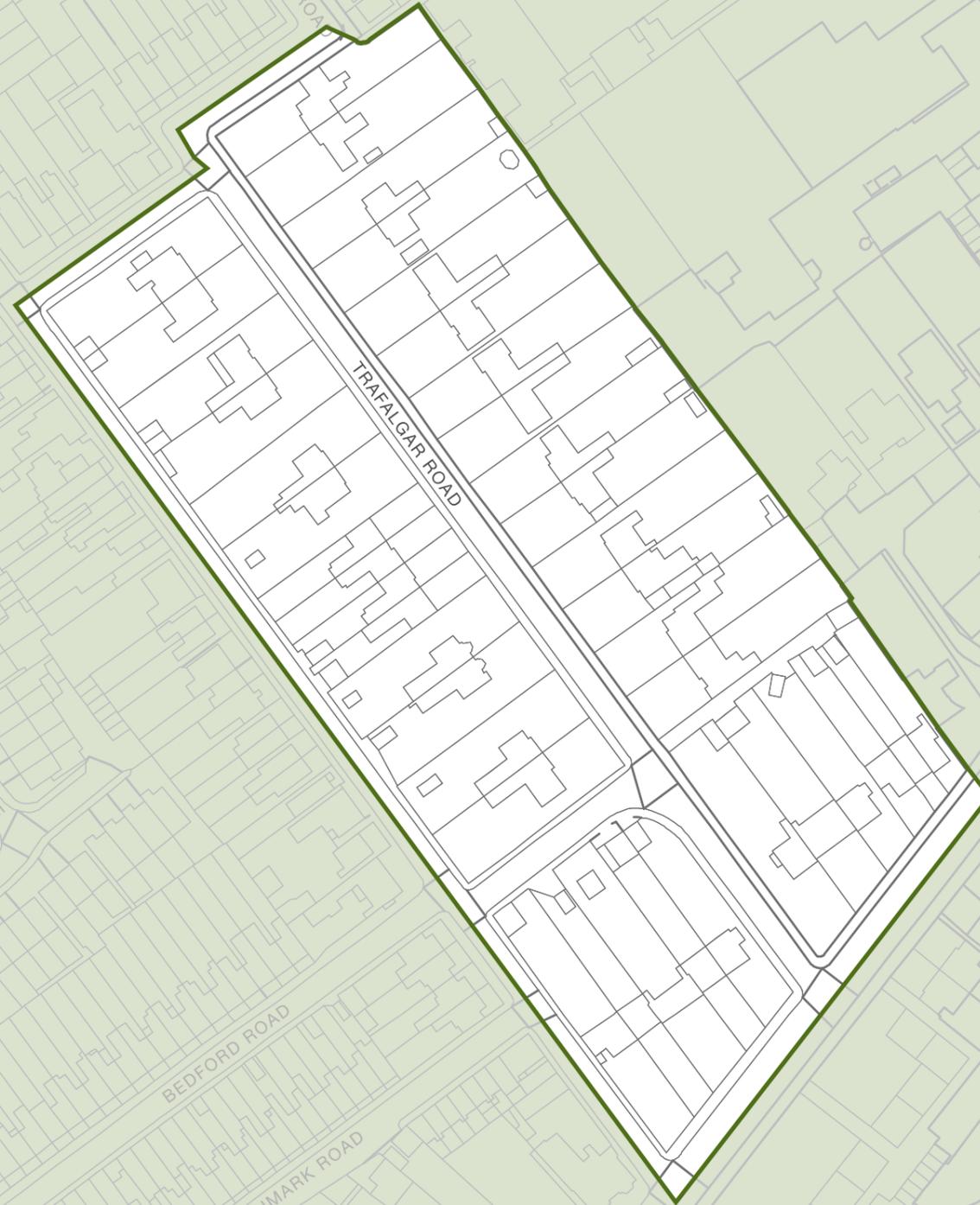
- Improvement and protection of landscape setting
- Preservation, enhancement and reinstatement of architectural quality and unity
- Retain and enhance front boundary treatments and discourage increase in the amount of hard surfacing in front gardens
- Coordination of colour and design and improvement in quality of street furniture and flooring
- Improvement of highways conditions and pedestrian convenience, and rationalisation of existing signage and street furniture

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