



## Boston Borough Council

### Delegated Decision Record

This records a key or other decision taken by the Cabinet in accordance with the Council's Scheme of Delegations (as set out in Section 3 of Part 3 of the Council's Constitution).

Unless the Leader and the Chairman of the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee certify that the matter is so urgent that the normal five-day scrutiny delay on action should not apply, then this decision will come into force and may then be implemented on the expiry of five clear working days after the publication of the decision, unless called in under the call-in procedures as set out in Section E of Part 4 of the Council's Constitution.

Decision Maker	Cabinet
Report Title	Adoption of Boston Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan
Summary Background	Presented is the Boston Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan for Adoption.
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Ward(s) Affected	Fenside; Skirbeck; Station; Trinity; Witham
Urgent?	No
Key Decision?	Yes
In Forward Plan?	Yes
Date of Decision	24 June 2026
Date Published	26 June 2026
Call-In Expiry	3 July 2026
Exempt Information?	No
Decision (Action Agreed)	<b>Resolved:</b>  <b>That the adoption of the Boston Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan, attached within Appendix 1, including the revised Conservation Area boundary, attached within Appendix 2, be approved.</b>
Reason(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The document demonstrates the Council's commitment to protect and enhance the built environment of the Borough.</li> <li>It can be used as evidence in future Local Plan Plans and aims to support enhancement of our historic areas in line with our statutory duties through The Planning (Listed Building and</li> </ul>

	<p>Conservation Areas) Act 1990 and in line with the National Planning Policy Framework and National Planning Policy Guidance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Once adopted the Boston Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan can be used to support and inform future planning decisions in the area, as a material planning consideration.</li> <li>• The document can be used to guide building owners, developers, investors, planning applicants, agents and consultants in making informed decisions while considering alterations, additions or demolition of heritage assets.</li> <li>• The document shows why heritage should form a huge part of our future vision of our places and recognises that there are opportunities to compliment and capitalise on existing momentum and processes to deliver investment by championing heritage in our Town Centre.</li> <li>• Consultation took place from November 2025 through to February 2026. It included in person events, an online questionnaire, writing to addresses affected by conservation area boundary changes, press and site notices. Overwhelmingly responses supported the need to preserve our shared heritage, and consultation has been a great opportunity to increase awareness and public participation in heritage.</li> <li>• Formal approvals are necessary for the resulting documents to carry weight in the planning process.</li> </ul>
Options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not to adopt and keep the conservation area boundary as it is now.</li> <li>• To recommend a different boundary, not taking public consultation responses on board and going against specialist advice.</li> </ul>
Further Information	N/A