

Character Area 1:
Main commercial axis

This sheet summarises the comprehensive assessments of character and regeneration opportunities in Section 7 of the report.

Character summary

An area of memorably high-quality townscape making up Falmouth's primary retail and commercial focus. It incorporates the oldest portions of the town and its distinctive form – a series of narrow streets on varying alignments connecting end-to-end and strongly enclosed by tall, predominantly historic buildings – has a unique interest and charm.

Regeneration opportunities

This part of Falmouth represents the principal experience of the town for most visitors; the sense of quality, distinctiveness and significance which the area possesses is a crucial asset for regeneration.

- Produce a comprehensive management plan for the area.
- Encourage high standards of maintenance and appropriate quality uses for historic buildings.
- Improve the quality of public realm provision.
- Encourage new developments which will enhance character.
- Identify opportunities for improving building elevations and shop fronts.
- Reduce traffic and parking problems, removing as much traffic as possible from the area.
- Improve visual and physical access to the waterfront.
- Ensure that design and planning for all future interventions in the area are shaped by detailed understanding of character.



Shopfront, Church Street



High Street



Ope, High Street



Surviving granite paving, Arvenack Street



Church Street

St George's Arcade, Church Street



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

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