CONSERVATION AREA CHARACTER PROFILE

Dorcas Estate



Environment

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DESIGNATION and BOUNDARY EXTENSIONS

(Refer to page 4 of the original profile, published January 2000)

On 2nd July 2002 the conservation area was extended by the inclusion of:

- Nos. 85 & 87 Hammersmith Road;
- Nos. 2 10 (even) North End Road.

CHARACTER and APPEARANCE Sub-area A Vernon Street and environs

(refer to page 6 of the original profile)

Corrections:

5.7 Nos. 15-23 Munden Street (consec.) has been truncated at its northern end but the elevation to Vernon Street is articulated by four blind windows with stucco surrounds. A uniform scheme of appropriate rear extensions has been built along the whole terrace. These replaced earlier privy blocks. This terrace is probably the oldest on the site. There is a uniform boundary treatment which provides a good edge to the street and there are trees in many of the front gardens which are important features in the townscape.

Adjoining Sub-area B Hammersmith Road frontage

(refer to page 7 of the original profile)

Nos. 85 & 87 Hammersmith Road are two interlinked buildings; a three storey 1920s corner building at the junction of Hammersmith Road and North End Road with a two storey rear addition fronting North End Road and a three storey building similar in style to the adjoining terrace at Nos. 89-97 (odd) Hammersmith Road. A 1920s shopfront projects forward of the Hammersmith Road elevation of both buildings and runs along the North End Road elevation, originally occupied by a bank the ground floor has been converted to a supermarket. shopfront is in Portland stone with a modillion cornice and Ionic capitals with volutes in a 'Greek key' form to the pilasters, the original timber windows have been retained and the Hammersmith Road elevation retains the

original bank safe deposit. The upper floors of the 1920s building are in brown brick with red brick window dressings and full height corner pilasters. The original timber sash windows have been retained. The main part of the building is topped with a mansard roof covered in slate with dormer windows and a modillion eaves cornice, while the rear addition has a steep hipped slate roof with a tall brick chimney stack. The North End Road elevation to the rear addition has a well designed original panelled entrance door with semi-circular fanlight.

Nos. 2-10 North End Road is a three storey symmetrical building in London stock brick dating from the 1920s, with a tiled hipped roof. The ground floor is occupied by two retail units with residential accommodation above. A tile hung canted bay window with gable projects from each end of the front elevation of the building at first and second floor level. Unsympathetic shopfront and window alterations have taken place. The rear of this building is highly visible in views from Southcombe Street across the car park.

Corrections:

(Refer to page 9 of the original profile)

5.20 This paragraph should refer to Dorcas Terrace, Nos. 89 - 97 (odd) Hammersmith Road.

STATUTORY LISTED BUILDINGS

(Refer to page 14 of the original profile)

Corrections:

Southcombe Street

West London Magistrates Court Grade II

LOCAL REGISTER OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES OF MERIT

(Refer to page 14 of the original profile)

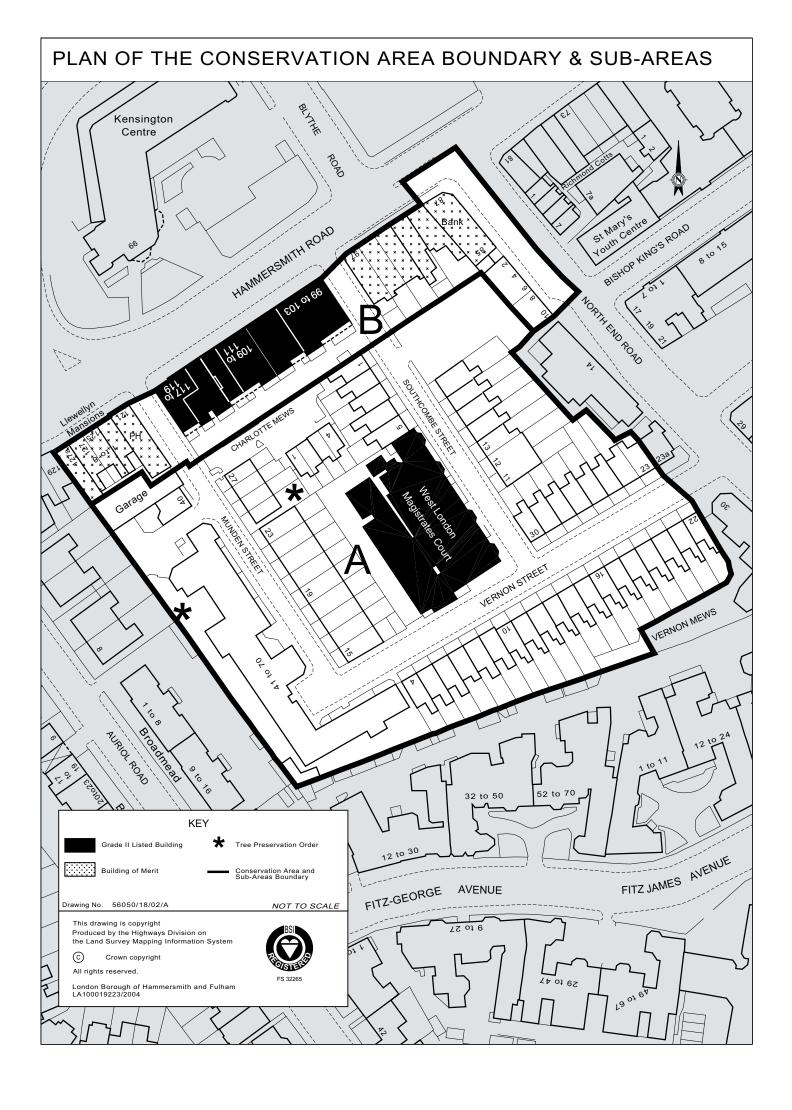
The following are now also within the conservation area.

Hammersmith Road

Nos. 85 & 87

(added June 2000)





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The Dorcas Conservation Area Character Profile was approved by the Planning Applications and Transport Sub-Committee on 2nd February 1998 as supplementary planning guidance. If you have any queries regarding this profile or wish to carry out works in the conservation area please contact Environment Department reception on 020 8748 3020 extension 3330.

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FOREWORD



The London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham is fortunate enough to have 43 conservation areas covering almost half the Borough. These have been designated in recognition of the importance of the historic and architectural heritage in our Borough. As Deputy for Environment and Contract Services, I am committed to the preservation of these areas with the help of residents and local groups, so that they continue to enhance the quality of life in the Borough and so that they survive as good examples of our heritage for future generations.

This Profile describes the special character of the Dorcas Estate Conservation Area identifying buildings of note, interesting historic facts and showing how the buildings, open spaces and streets work together to create an environment worthy of protection.

I would like to thank all local groups who helped to prepare these Profiles, in particular the Hammersmith and Fulham Historic Buildings Group under the dedicated leadership of Angela Dixon, the Fulham Society and the Hammersmith Society. Through the consultation process the documents have evolved to represent not only officers' assessments of the conservation areas, but those of the local amenity societies and residents groups active in each area. I hope these Profiles will now provide extra assistance in the stewardship and preservation of what is best in the Borough.

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