

3 Part Three

Conclusion

3.1 Whaley Bridge is fortunate in retaining a well preserved stock of historic buildings that have a significant beneficial and positive role to play in preserving the character of the area. Its topography provides a dramatic backdrop to the area's development and significant long distance views to the surrounding landscape. The canal basin and warehouse building illustrate the area's development and evolution. Along Market Street a number of prominent and architecturally significant buildings are located and the commercial centre appears relatively buoyant.

3.2 Like other historic settlements there are a few problem buildings and sites which in combination with unsympathetic alterations can erode the character and appearance of the town and the conservation area. Addressing the access issues to the Bingswood Industrial Estate would deliver great potential to develop the canal basin area as a focus for the community and attraction for visitors.

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