

## St Mary's Road

The area is a well laid out and ordered example of Victorian/ Edwardian urban housing, close to the main commercial centre of the town. It has a distinctive character of red brick terraces bounded by the wide and leafy St Mary's Road on the north and the commercial areas on the west and south.

Although many of the houses have replacement windows and doors, in general the area has retained its integrity and most original front railings survive.

The majority of the houses on St Mary's Road and Chapel St. are terraced, two-storey, c. 1880 - 1925. A significant number of these are rated of regional importance and are Protected Structures. Chapel St. also contains St Leonard's Friary and Garden - the remains of a 12thC friary, and the Dundalk Municipal Technical School built in 1906.

Castle Road consists mainly of terraced two-bay, two-storey with attic houses c. 1880 - 1910.

Mary St. north consists of terraced two-bay single-storey houses c. 1875, and two-bay two-storey houses c. 1900. St Bridget's and St Patrick's Terraces consist of terraced two-bay single-storey with attic, local authority houses, c.1900 - 1910.

Broughton St. consists of terraced two-bay two-storey houses c 1895 - 1905.

The larger houses form the outer streets and have long rear gardens while the cottages have smaller back yards. Some original street features remain, such as a cast iron pillar box c.1910 on St Mary's Road.



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# St Mary's Road, Dundalk Architectural Conservation Area



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## What is an Architectural Conservation Area/ACA?

Architectural Conservation Area designation will help to retain and enhance special places for future generations. This is achieved through the planning system and through works by the council in recognition of the ACA's special character. ACAs are not about preserving everything as it is at the time of designation.

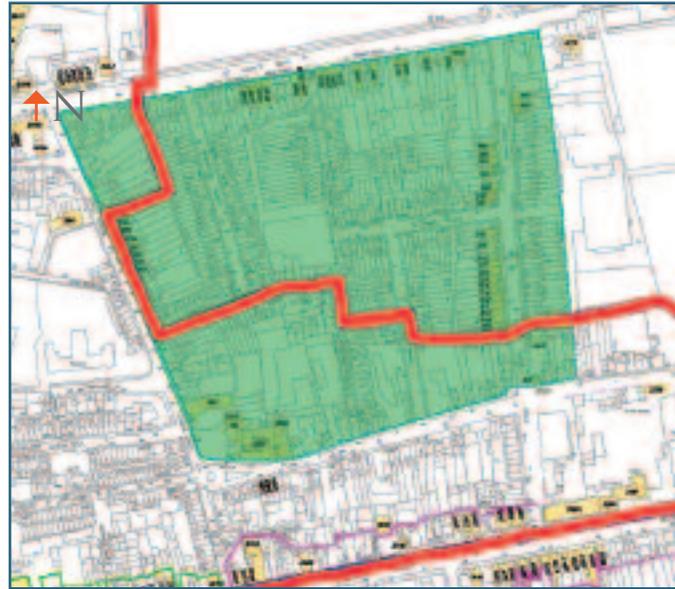
Designation of ACAs is carried out during the review of the Development plan. Built into this process there is the opportunity for the public to make submissions. The idea is for the Council to ensure that places that have a special character should be protected from inappropriate development or demolition of structures which are of local interest.

Dundalk has seven ACAs outlined in the 2003-2009 development plan. These are -

1. St Mary's Road
2. Roden Place
3. The Crescent
4. Clanbrassil Street
5. Jocelyn Street
6. Soldiers Point coastguard houses
7. Demesne/Magnet Rd.

The next review of the Dundalk Town plan may recommend other areas or revisions to existing areas.

ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION AREA  
ZONE OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL



## Does this mean no building work will be permitted?

Within an area designated as an ACA any work which would affect the character of the area will require planning permission. This includes development which might otherwise be exempt such as agricultural buildings or domestic extensions.



Extensions, alterations, new build, backland development and even replacement of buildings will all still be considered by the council within the ACAs subject to normal planning. Any proposed works will be carefully assessed in relation to their impact on their surroundings and to a greater extent than in areas outside ACAs. Impact on Character will be used as grounds for refusal or the attachment of conditions.