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**From:** Read, Elisabeth  
**Sent:** 08 April 2014 09:55  
**To:** Doow-Powell, Amarjit  
**Subject:** FW: Old Market Place Conservation Area  
**Attachments:** Placement of beech trees Hartley Rd - 8 Groby0002.jpg

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**From:** TURNERCHIMES@aol.com [mailto:TURNERCHIMES@aol.com]  
**Sent:** 27 February 2014 20:48  
**To:** Strategic Planning  
**Cc:** Read, Elisabeth  
**Subject:** Old Market Place Conservation Area

To Whom it May Concern,

I am contacting you to see if it would be possible to incorporate a small area of land into your plans for the extended Old Market Place Conservation area. The piece of land I would like to propose is just off your suggested extended Conservation area at the very end of Groby Place (see your Old Market Place document page 41)

This land is a small 'pie' shaped piece of land directly behind my home (#27 Hartley Road) and is sort of a 'no-man's land (see attached map). This land holds a mature copse containing a variety of trees and of particular note are four mature beech trees (marked on the attached map), each estimated by Derek Austin Trafford Tree Preservation Officer, to be approximately 120-150 years old. They look to be part of the trees which formed the early boundary line of the original land and dwellings that existed in this part of Altrincham. Lying directly next to these beech trees are a small line of mature Lime and Plane trees.

We were verbally told many years ago when we moved in that this land was owned by NCGS and it sits just behind their fenced tennis courts. I believe that in the past small pockets of land such as this were left for development of potential roads. The homes in the Oldfield Brow/Hartley Road area were developed during the inter-war years in the 1920's (Home for Heroes) and over the intervening years this piece of land has become enclosed resulting in the area you see today on the map. In between this 'pie' shaped piece of land is another small area of land which has been also been enclosed by houses and this borders the NW corner of the suggested Old Market Place Conservation area (top of the Groby Place estate). The Groby Place property is soon to be developed (see your document page 129).

Certainly, the consideration of adding this land to the conservation area would ensure that the lovely wooded haven would continue to have a positive effect on the many surrounding schools, neighbourhood and continue to attract a diverse array of wildlife that currently inhabit this location. I believe the trees and the land they stand on do carry a certain amount of historical significance and should be preserved at all costs. This area helps to enhance and contributes to the character of this part of Altrincham. The elevated area of massed greenery also contributes to the vista which can be seen from Hartley Road, Oldfield Brow and also by those travelling along the A556 as they travel towards to the Devisdale Conservation Area. (See your map page 75)

If this area of land cannot be considered in the proposed extended conservation area for the Old Market Place can you please let me know as I think it is important that the trees at the very least should have a conservation order placed on them.