

Lower Park Street

A quiet residential street of mostly C19 houses.

Lower Park Street is a calm residential street in the transitional area between the city centre and the open space of Jesus Green and Midsummer Common. The terrace that runs along the

south side of the street was built by Jesus College for its servants in the early nineteenth century. Today, the street is an important pedestrian link to Jesus Green.



View along Lower Park Street

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General Overview

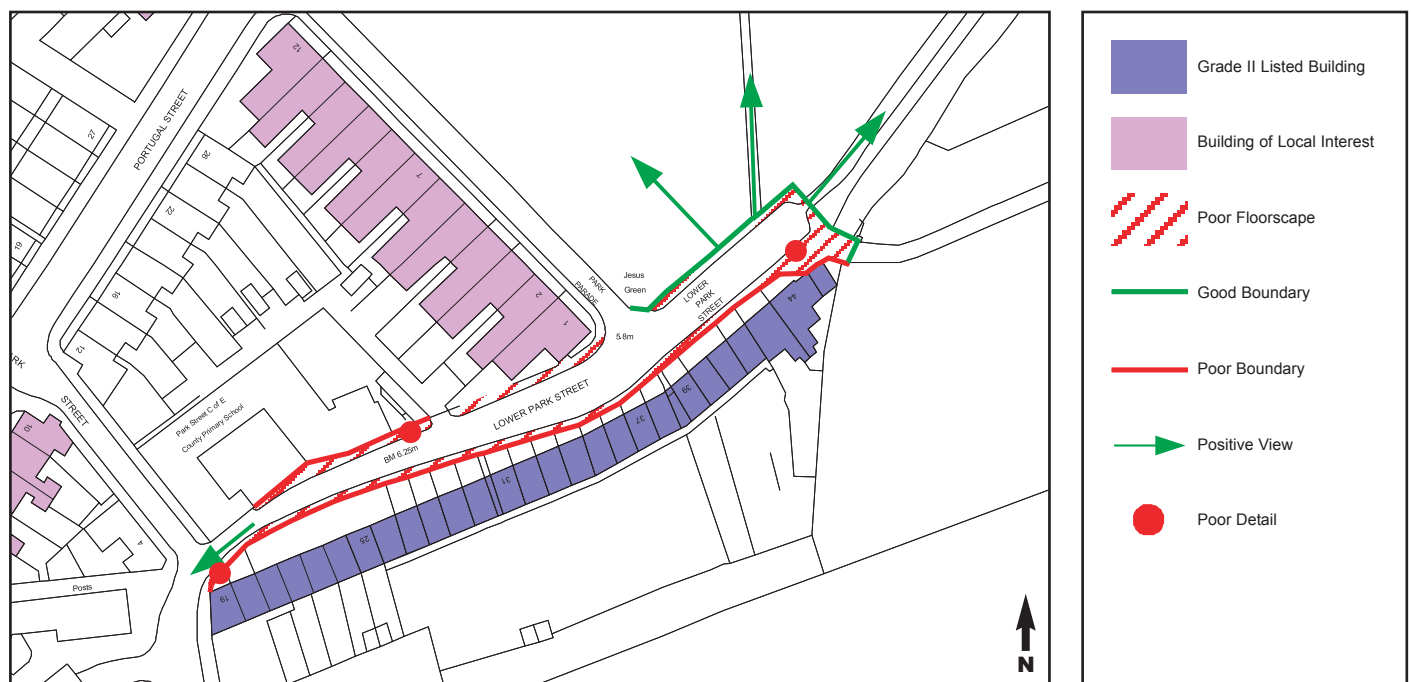
Lower Park Street is a quiet residential street with very little vehicular traffic, but a steady flow of pedestrians and cyclists. This character is transformed during term times when the pupils of the primary school are in the playground at break-time. The footpaths across Jesus Green to Jesus Green footbridge and Victoria Avenue are lit and are used by pedestrians and cyclists even at night.



Jesus Green



View along Lower Park Street



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Townscape Elements

- > Terrace set back from footpath edge by varying distances.
- > Street has one-sided feel as north side more varied than south side.
- > Unusual (for central Cambridge) open lawned gardens to front of terrace.
- > Rhythm of chimney stacks on terrace very important.

Streetscape Enhancement

Better surfacing to the footways would be an improvement and a greater sense of enclosure is needed. Railings, for example, would enhance the appearance of the listed terrace's frontage.

Street Lighting

Lighting levels need to be improved in order to discourage graffiti on garage doors. The light fittings themselves should also be replaced with more sympathetic ones.

Landscaping

Additional planting in the school playground would soften the severity of the school boundary.



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Archaeology / Historic Topography

Anticipated deposit depth varies from 1.00m-1.50m.

Potential for prehistory is low

Potential for Roman is moderate

Potential for medieval is moderate

Lower Park Street lies immediately outside the line of the King's Ditch. It marks part of the northern boundary of the precinct of St. Radegund's Priory and the medieval (and modern) Jesus College. Important Roman finds have been made within the vicinity including part of a cemetery on Park Street.

Building No. / Name	Status	Age	Height (storeys)	Wall Materials	Roof Form / Materials	Architect	Notes
19-42	Listed Grade II	early C19	2	gault brick	slate		
43 & 44	Listed Grade II	c1830	2	gault brick	slate		
C of E County Primary School	none	C19	1	gault brick	slate		