Southampton City Council

City Characterisation Project

PA05 Fitzhugh (former New College site)

Context

- This character area is immediately north of the study area and is bounded to the south by CA4: Carlton Crescent. To the west is PA4: Polygon and Bedford Place suburb and to the east is PA6: The Avenue.
- The area is flat.

Grain

- Buildings are of a medium grain.
- Groups of buildings sit around open landscaped areas.
- The grouping of buildings is informal.

Scale

Generally three to four storey.

Uses

Former educational.

Public Realm

■ The former campus is well-treed making for a very pleasant setting for the built form.

Connectivity

- The area is well accessed from The Avenue but there is no access across the site to Carlton Road.
- There is no access from Rockstone Place.

Views

■ Views are limited due to the mature tree cover throughout the character area.

Building types

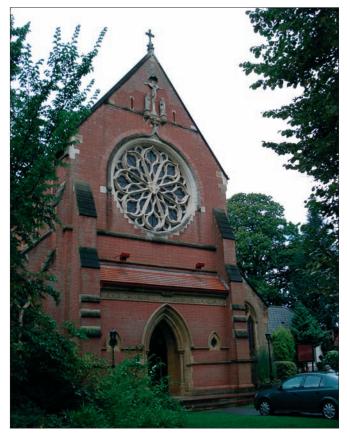
 Purpose-built educational buildings – classrooms, church, residential accommodation.

Architectural qualities

■ The church, particularly the imposing east gable, is an important building in the street scene.

Heritage Assets

- St Edmunds Roman Catholic Church (Grade II listed).
- The area abuts The Avenue Conservation Area.



The imposing gable of the Grade II listed St Edmunds Roman Catholic facing The Avenue

Materials

Red brick, plaster, clay tile and slate.

Condition

Reasonable.

Ownership

University of Southampton.

Intervention

None at present.

Key design principles

Encourage innovative and high quality architecture and the use of competitions for new buildings to stimulate and invigorate the users of the site.

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