

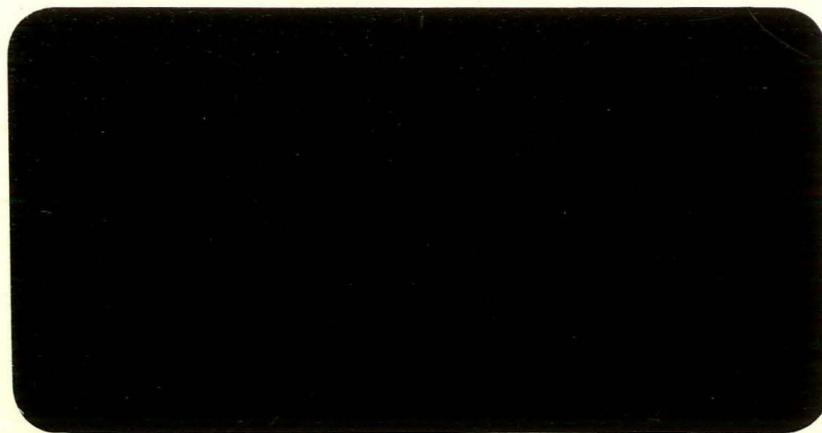


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Ivy Cottage, Fleetway, North Cotes

SUMMARY

This is a well preserved example of an early 18th century brick built lobby entrance cottage which retains many of its original internal fixtures and features. It is one-and-a half-storeyed with a thatch roof. Originally the ground floor accommodation comprised a housebody and parlour, both heated, with a service corridor to the rear. The latter was divided into three sections with a pantry or dairy with a sunken floor at the east end. There were two unheated rooms on the upper floor. In the mid to late 19th century a single-storey lean-to was built onto the east end of the rear wall and several single storey outhouses constructed to the north of the house. The interior underwent some minor alterations in the late 19th century but subsequently remained unaltered until the late 20th century. At the time of survey it had been unoccupied for some time.

REPORT

Early 18th century

Ivy Cottage dates to the early 18th century and is situated on the west side of Fleetway, to the south of the village church. The front of the building faces south-east but for the purposes of the report it will be described as facing south. It is a one-and-a-half storeyed two bay building with a lobby entrance of brick construction in English bond and has a well preserved original interior.

The east and west walls have tumbled gables with brick kneelers and three S-tie rods. The position of these rods in relation to the thatched roof line suggests that these rods are tied into the side and ridge purlins (the interior of the roof was underdrawn and not inspected at the time of survey). The west gable is the only external wall to have a plinth. There are two further S-tie rods in the front and rear walls which are tied into the respective transverse beams in the two principal ground floor rooms. In the front wall the two windows have segmental-arched brick lintels and both these windows and the central door have pegged wooden surrounds; the door lintel has been altered

at a later date. The front door has three moulded panels and opens into a lobby against the central stack. On either side of the lobby doors, with two fielded panels, open to the housebody to the west and parlour to the east. All the original floors comprise bricks laid on to the earth.

The housebody was heated by a large fireplace in the central stack which retains its original cyma moulded overmantel; the present range is late 19th century in date. This room is lit by a Yorkshire sash window in the front wall and there is a wall cupboard, with two original doors, each having two fielded panels, in the west gable. The transverse beam is boxed in but where it continues over the service passage to the north it has evidence for re-use in the form of redundant mortices and chamfers.

The size and form of the original fireplace heating the parlour is uncertain and the present grate dates to the late 19th century. There is an original cupboard on either side of the fireplace, each having a top and bottom door with a fielded panel and held to the jambs by L and H hinges. This room is lit by a Yorkshire sash window in the front wall and originally by a window (now blocked) in the east gable. A door (now blocked) provided access from the parlour to the service corridor to the north. The dividing wall between the two is a timber stud partition.

Along the north side of the housebody and parlour there is a corridor that provided service accommodation and access to the rear of the cottage. The rear entrance has its 18th century pegged door surround and retains the pintles for the original door, the present door being a late 19th century replacement. The corridor is divided into three. The western part is lit by a small Yorkshire sash window in the west gable, has a wooden shelf at its east end and has the rear access. The central section is lit by a small window in the rear wall and originally provided access to the parlour while the east end comprises a small sunken dairy or pantry, with shelves supported on brick piers and lit by a small Yorkshire sash window in the west gable.

It is likely that the original access to the upper floor occupied the position of the present stairs on the north side of the entrance lobby. Originally the upper floor comprised a single unheated room on either side of the stack, each room lit by a Yorkshire sash window in their respective gables.

Mid to late 19th century

At this time a single-storey lean-to in erratic English bond was built onto the east end of the rear wall. This formed a pantry and has a tiled floor with a shelf along its rear wall and is lit by a Yorkshire sash window in the same wall. During this period a free-standing earth closet and a small store were built to the rear of the cottage. Later in the 19th century a single-storey wash house was built onto the south side and a single-storey workshop onto the west side of the store. All these out-buildings are of brick construction with mono-pitch slate roofs.

In the late 19th century the interior of the cottage underwent some alterations. The present fireplaces were inserted into both the housebody and parlour. The housebody was provided with a range set in a brick surround while the parlour has a cast-iron grate. The present staircase was inserted on the north side of the lobby entrance. The stairs rise in a quarter turn followed by a straight flight to a landing with a wooden handrail. There are two cupboards under the stairs, each with beaded panelled doors. At this time an additional flue was built against the east side of the central stack to serve a fireplace in the eastern bedroom, this retains a small cast iron grate. A closet was created between this new flue and the north side of the original stack. The west bedroom was sub-divided into three small unheated rooms. The two western rooms share the window in the west gable while the east room was unlit. The latter room has a trap-door to the service corridor below.

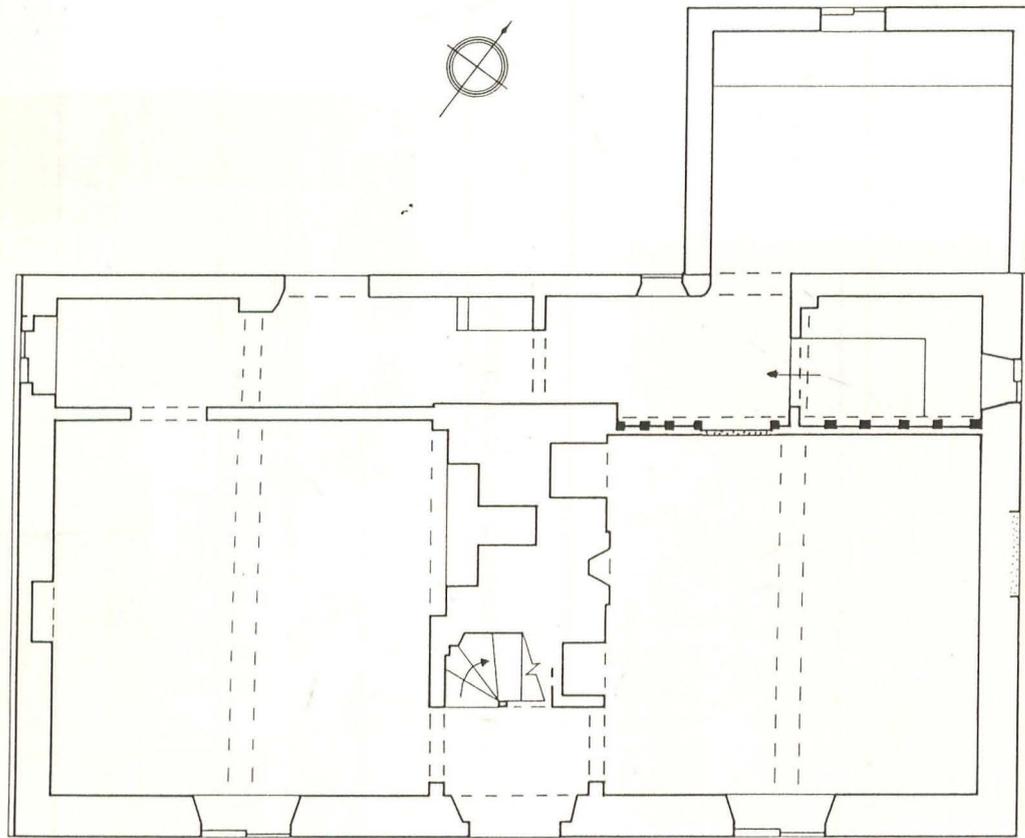
There is small garden to the front of the cottage and an orchard to the east side, all now overgrown.

Visited by Garry S Corbett and Nicola Wray, 25 July 1996

Report: Garry S Corbett

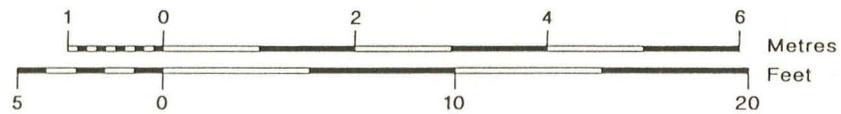
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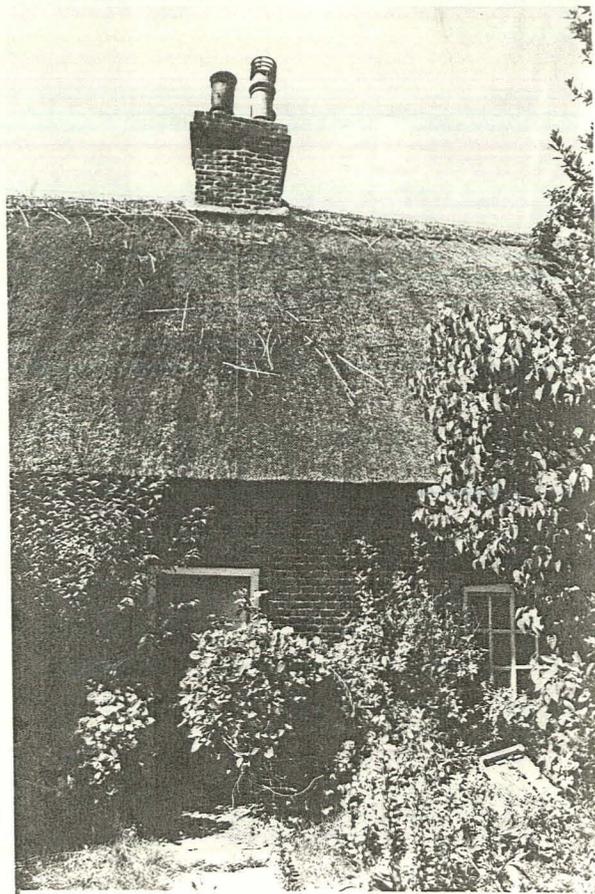


Ground Floor Plan

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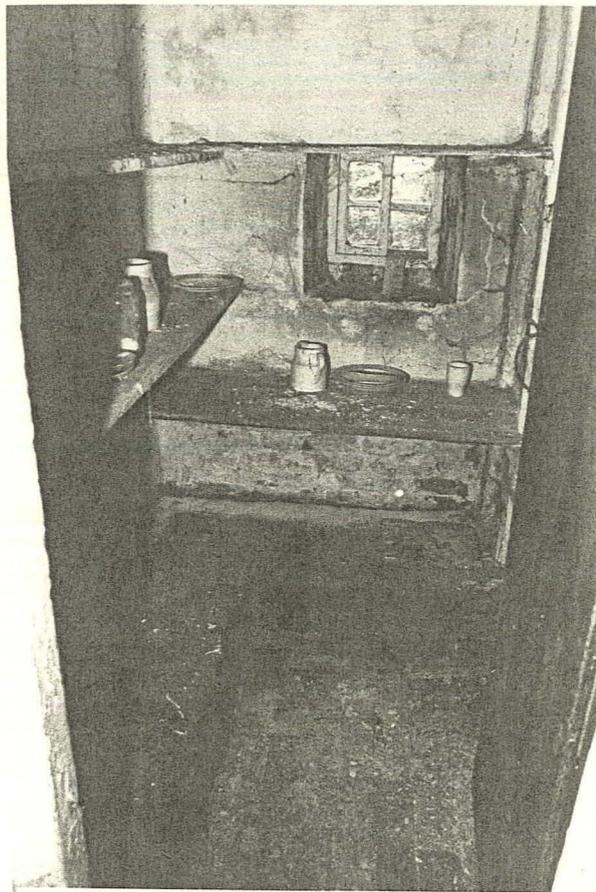
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House from the south-east (281d/2)



Parlour looking west (281D/11)



- Sunken dairy looking east (281D/14)



First floor east bedroom looking west (281D/16)

