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1. Introduction

Archaeological Building Recording Services (ABRS) were commissioned by Imperial Bricks to undertake archaeological standing building recording (photographic survey) of Hillside Cottage, Linley Brook, Bridgnorth, Shropshire (NGR SO 68683 98048 (*Figures 1 & 2*)). Planning permission has been granted for the demolition of the building and the redevelopment of the site to residential use (Planning Application No 18/01880/FUL). The building is a traditionally built residential property, believed to date from the 18th or 19th century. The building is located on the eastern edge of the hamlet of Linley, some 5kms north – north west of Bridgnorth. The Senior Conservation & Design Officer (South), Shropshire Council has recommended that archaeological standing building recording (photographic survey) be carried out prior to any proposed works being carried out. The building is not statutorily listed, nor located within a Conservation Area.

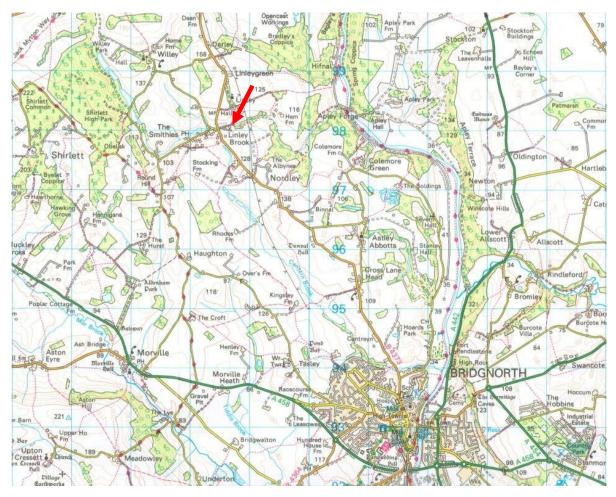


Figure 1 Site Location

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The building is a traditionally built two bay domestic dwelling with a cross wing, probably added later to the west end. The building is largely smooth rendered, but with traces of masonry on the south facing elevation, the quality of which is such that is questionable as to whether it is original or not. The roof is pitched and clad in plain tiles. There is a single

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projecting chimney on the north facing gable of the cross wing and gabled dormer windows on the roof.

Internally, there has been extensive modern remodelling and decoration, including rusticated ceiling joists and 20th century plank doors with Gothic inspired hinges. The staircase, although altered is likely to be 19th century in date and the east – west wing retains massive purlins and a limited number of hardwood common rafters which may be earlier in date.

A photographic survey was to be undertaken following standards as defined in *Understanding Historic Buildings: A guide to good recording practice* (Historic England 2016). The photographic survey addressed the requirements detailed in emailed advice issued by the Senior Archaeological Advisor, Shropshire Council.

The project was completed following the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA) Code of Conduct, and adhered to their Standards and Guidance for Archaeological Investigation and Recording of Standing Buildings or Structures (2019).

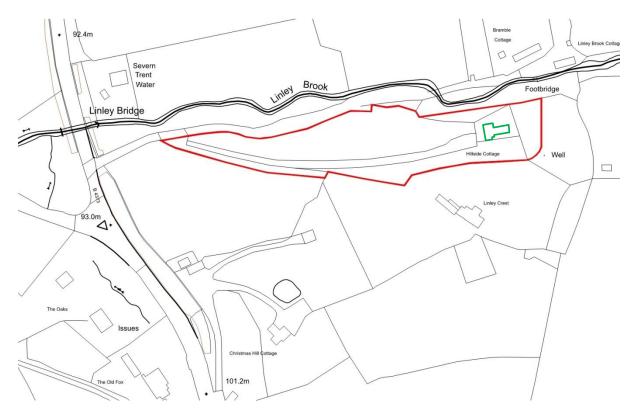


Figure 2
Proposed Development Area in Detail (Recorded Building in Green).
(Provided by client. 1:1250).

2. Aims and Methodology

The aim of the survey was to provide a permanent photographic record of the building in its current state, prior to alteration or repair, to standards set down by Historic England (2016).

The photographic survey was undertaken by Gerwyn Richards on December 10th 2019. Photographs, in 35mm monochrome negative and digital format taken as raw image files and converted to TIFFs (Tagged Image File Format) were taken.

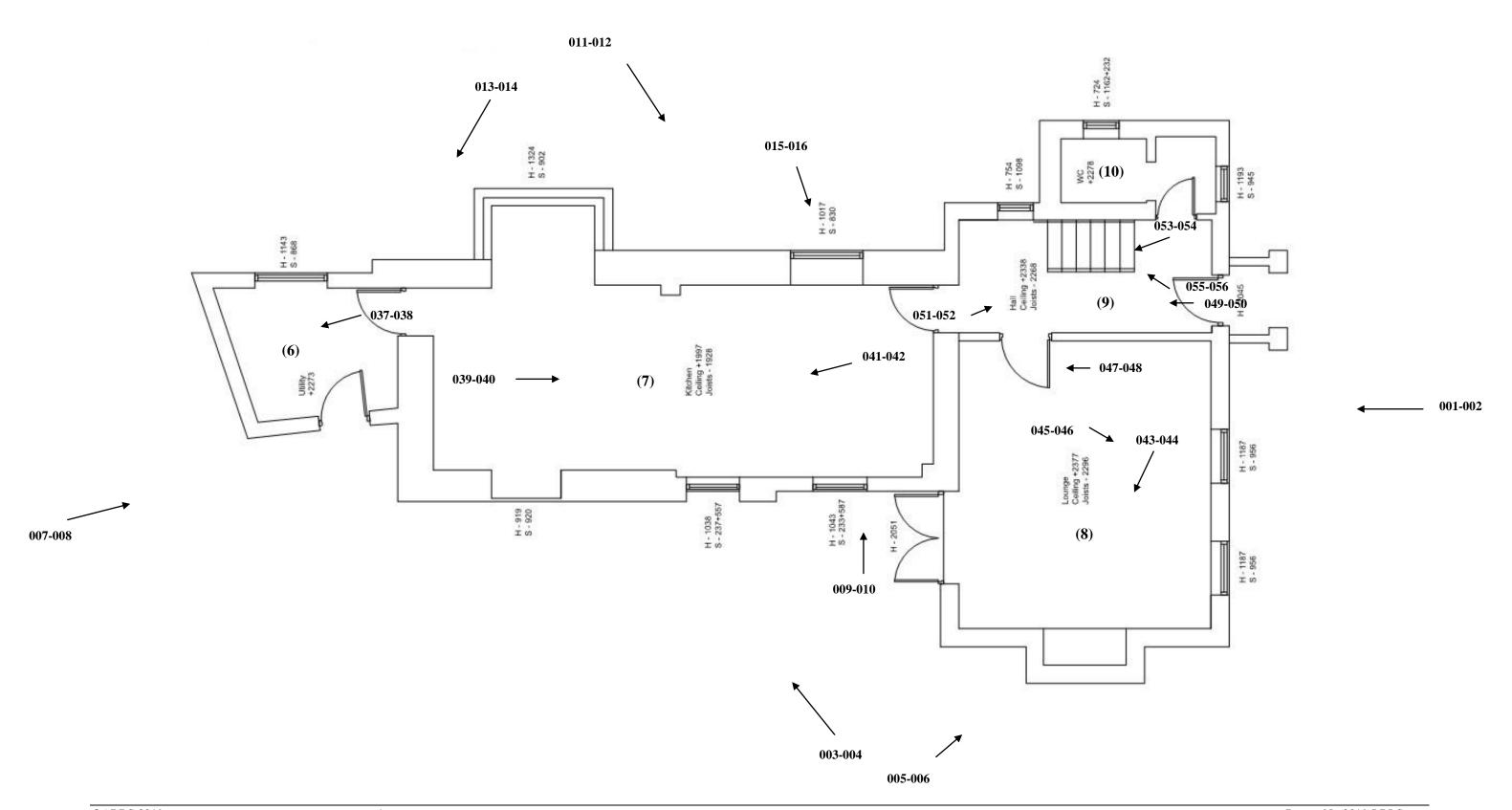
Orientation: The building is approximately "T" shaped in plan, with the long axis aligned east — west and the short axis aligned north — south with the principal elevation facing west. Where the terms 'left', 'right', 'front' and 'back' etc are used in the report, this is in relation to the principal elevation as viewed from the west. For the purposes of this historic building recording a number prefix has been allocated to each room.

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As far as is known, no previous historic building recording has been undertaken of the building.

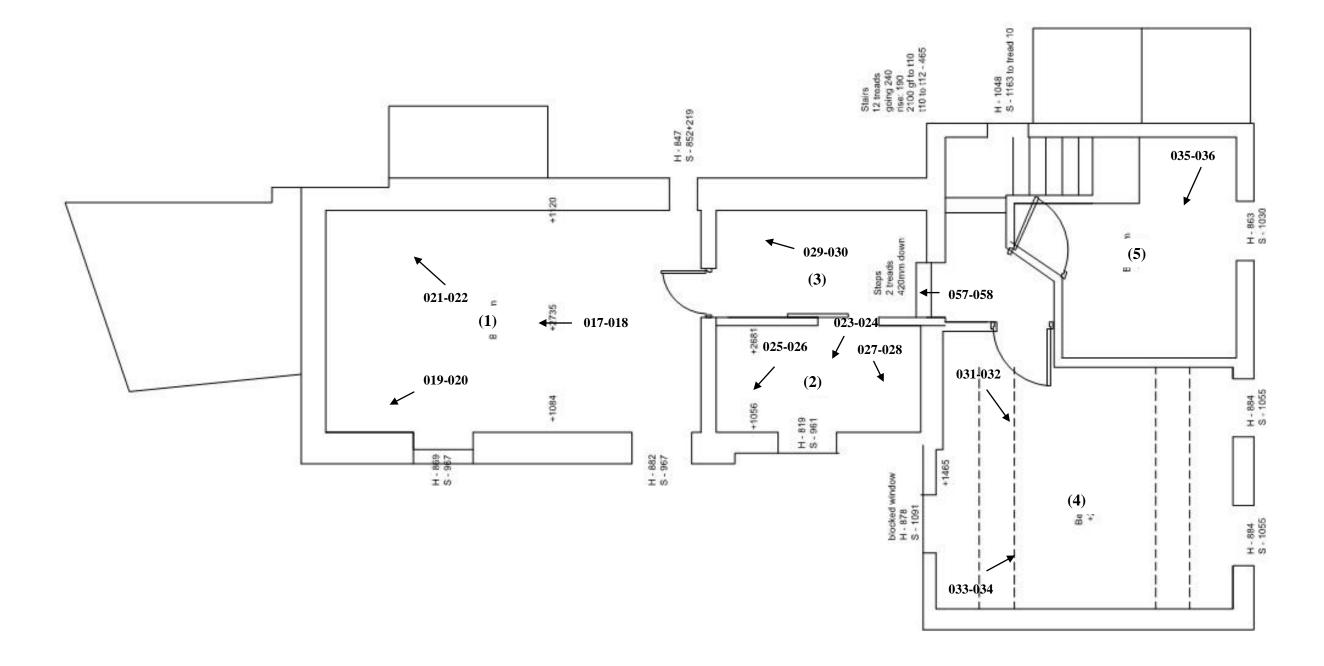
3. Photograph Location Plans

Ground Floor Plan.



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First Floor Plan.



4. Photographic Index

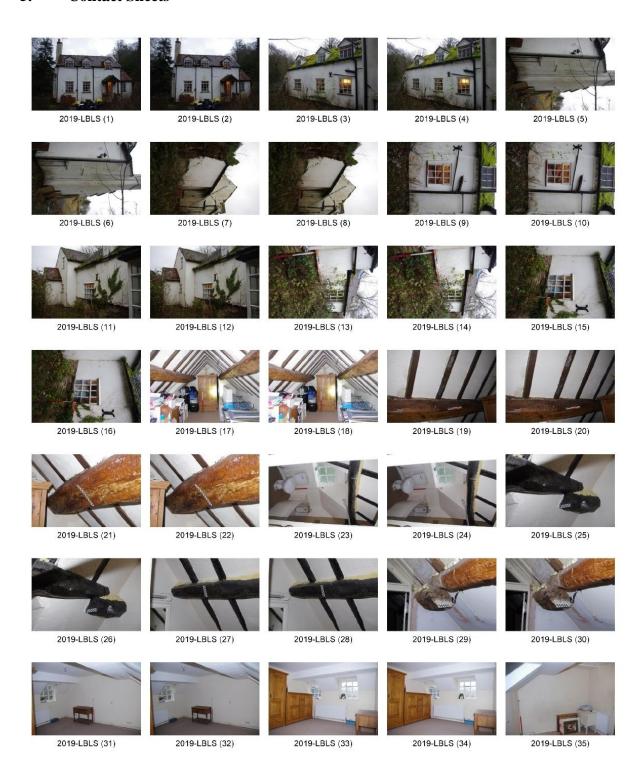
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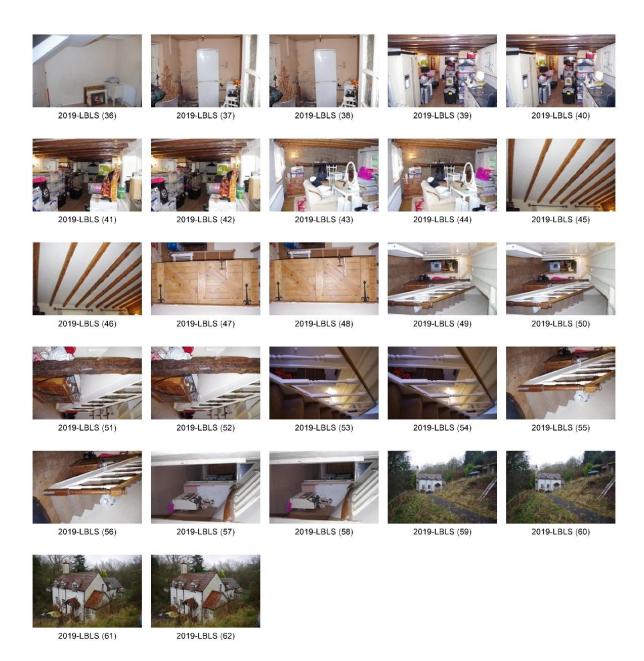
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5. Contact Sheets





6. Archive & Publication

The site archive consists of

- 1 A3 paper plan showing photo locations
- 2 DVDs containing 62 digital images (Deposited with Shropshire County Council HER)
- 2 A4 contact sheets
- 62 Black & White negatives and contact prints
- 2 A4 photo record sheets

An unbound copy of this report

The archive will be retained by ABRS under the temporary site code 2019-LBLS until deposition with Shropshire Museum can be arranged.

A version of the summary (above) will be submitted to the editor of the local journal for inclusion in the next edition.

6.1 OASIS Record Summary

INFORMATION REQUIRED	UPLOADED AS
OASIS No	archaeol30-377396
Project Name	A Photographic Survey of Hillside Cottage, Linley
	Brook, Bridgnorth, Shropshire.
Site Co-ordinates	SO 68683 98048
Project Type	Standing Building Recording (Photographic Survey)
Project Manager	Gerwyn Richards
Previous/Future Work?	No/No
Current Land Use	In Use As Building
Development Type	Residential
Prompt	NPPF
Archive Recipient	Shropshire Museum

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