

Butlers Farm, Broomfield, Essex.



Building 1. The front, south elevation of the barn. The midstrey gable has a high level floored storage area accessed from inside. High in the gable are four pigeon holes with the normal round arch tops. The main doors although in very poor condition are complete. Two of the original four leap boards survive at the bottom. The side access door to the midstrey has a vestibule constructed in the later lean-to for unrestricted entry. A bottom extension was added to the door when the internal side boards were cut back.



The western lean-to has a plinth to the side built in a similar way to that of the barn. The area above is rendered but as the building was not entered its structure was not recorded. Inside it is divided into two rooms. Its original use is unknown.



The eastern lean-to in a very poor state had a similar side plinth wall. It appears to have been originally designed to be open but later converted into two small loose boxes with an iron hurdle fence between, behind the centre post, with boarded infill to each side of the two entry doors. The roof is of minimal structure with new rafters for the asbestos sheeting.

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Building 2. Asymmetric pan tile roof covers an open fronted range to the north from the end of the brick wall. West end now enclosed. The rest is open but beyond the tiles it is much rebuilt and covered in corrugated iron.



The south side is in brick divided into small loose box units. The east end now has a corrugated iron roof as that to the north.



The north open side shows the spine brick wall with ventilation grills set in the wall. The tiebeams join at the wall and the roof purlins are supported by nailed angled Queen struts from the tiebeam.



Detail of the cast iron ventilation grills fitted into the wall to vent the loose boxes to the south side.



The last surviving truss to the east and the rebuilt corrugated iron roof beyond. A cut off original tiebeam survives in the wall.



The rebuilt east end with minimal framing to the furthest bay. The middle front post could be a surviving original post.