Standing Building Survey The Cottage, Collace Perth and Kinross



The Cottage, Collace looking East (buildings to be demolished have tin roof)



18th January 2019

Introduction

The planning consent for this development (Perth and Kinross Council Planning Application 18/01765/FLL) included an archaeological condition specifying the need for a standing building record of the building that is to be demolished using ALGAO Scotland's Historic Building Recording Guidance (2013). This standing building survey was carried out by the author on Monday 14th January 2019 (Site Code COL01), weather conditions were bright and sunny with a hard frost.

Location (Illus 1)

The row of single storey buildings at The Cottage, Collace lie to the West of the main road through the village. The building at the north end of the row is occupied and has a roof tiled with ceramic tiles, the remainder of the row which is split into three steadings has a tin roof and is to be demolished for redevelopment.

Historical Background (Illus 2-3)

A settlement at Collace is shown on Stobie's map of 1783 (Illus 2) but it is not until 1863 that the row of buildings under survey are shown in any great detail (Illus 3). The Ordnance Survey Name Book of 1859-62 describes Collace as '...a very irregular built, and straggling Village, with a small parish attached. The property of John M. Nairne of Dunsinnan' (Scotland's Places OS25/1/17/13).

Description of building (Illustrations 4 and 5)

Tin Roofed building

This long single storey building is divided into three Steadings (1, 2 and 3 in this survey).

External elevations

Roof

All the roof elements of this building are pitched with a wooden frame that is covered with tin sheeting. All of the wooden beams are squared off and appear to be of early modern construction.

Western Elevation of Steadings 1, 2 and 3 (Illus 5, 7-10)

This elevation has a mortar bonded rough stone wall, at its northern end there are traces of an applied concrete plaster. There is a doorway at its northern end with a wooden door leading into Steading 1, the roof line above Steading 1 is slightly lower than the roof line of the occupied cottage and slightly higher than the roof line above Steadings 2 and 3. The wall face is then blank until it meets a modern swinging metal 'garage' type door which leads into Steading 2. There is then a blocked window, a window with a wooden frame and loose metal grille, a doorway with double wooden doors into Steading 3 and a window with wooden frame and loose meta grille. There are alternate large shaped stone quoins at the Southern end of this elevation.

Southern Elevation (Illus 11)

This elevation has a blank mortar bonded rough stone wall with alternate large shaped stone quoins at its Western and Eastern ends. Wooden plank roof supports run down the roof lines on the gable. There are traces of a small hole blocked with mortared bricks in the centre of this wall.

Eastern Elevation of Steadings 1, 2 and 3 (Illus 12-14)

This elevation has a mortar bonded rough stone wall with alternate large shaped stone quoins at its Southern end. There is a blocked window (with bricks) with a wooden lintel and traces of another blocked window with a stone lintel. The roof line then rises slightly above Steading 1 and there is a glazed window with a wooden frame and then a doorway with a wooden door into Steading 1.

Internal Details

Steading 1 (Illus 15-18)

This Steading has a cobbled floor and contains a mangle.

Northern Elevation (Illus 15)

This is a blank brick wall.

Eastern Elevation (Illus 16)

This is roughly stone built and slopes slightly inwards. There is a doorway blocked with tin sheeting and a glazed window.

Southern Elevation (Illus 17)

This is a roughly built stone wall which is butted against the Eastern and Western walls of the building. There is a wooden gable support for the roof built on top of the wall line. A faced wall foundation standing one course high is visible at floor level extending 0.49m north of this elevation.

Western Elevation (Illus 18)

This is a roughly built stone wall which is starting to collapse inwards.

Steading 2 (*Illus 19-23*)

This Steading has a rough earth and concrete floor, at its Southern end there is an area of rough stone extending 2.65m north of its Southern elevation.

Northern Elevation (Illus 19)

This is a rough mortared stone wall and contains a small fireplace with a brick arch.

Eastern Elevation (Illus 20-21)

This is rough mortared stone wall that contains three blocked windows, one of these is blocked with brick the other two with stone. Only the central one of these blocked windows is visible in the external elevation of this wall (Illus 5).

Southern Elevation (Illus 22)

This is a rough mortared stone wall which is butted against the Eastern and Western walls of the building. It contains a small fireplace with a brick arch.

Western Elevation

This is a rough mortared stone wall with a brick surround to the metal swinging door. It contains a blocked window (Illus 9).

Steading 3 (Illustrations 24-29)

This Steading has a cobbled floor with a shallow drain visible at its Northern end. There are two raised socket stones in the floor 1.55m apart, these are both 0.32m square and the socket holes are 0.11m square.

Northern Elevation (Illus 24)

This is a rough mortared stone wall that has been painted white, it contains a blocked fireplace with a brick arch. The names 'Anderson' and 'Ruby Anderson' are stencilled in black on the wall face. A brick gable with a chimney is built on top of this wall line.

Eastern elevation (Illus 25)

This is a rough mortared stone wall which contains a window which is blocked with timber.

Southern Elevation (Illus 26)

This is a rough mortared stone wall which contains a fireplace with a stone lintel and side stones, this has been blocked with bricks.

Western Elevation (Illus 27)

This is a rough mortared stone wall that contains a glazed window, a door and another glazed window.

Observations and suggested Phasing of building

It would appear that all three Steadings in the tin roofed building are of contemporary construction. The fireplaces in Steadings 2 and 3 would suggest that these were inhabited, Steading 1 has more of an appearance of a small animal byre. The two socket stones in the floor of Steading 3 are of interest and would appear to not be related to the structural build of the building but to support a free-standing structure in the Steading (Illus 28 and 29). The lack of chimneys for the fireplaces in Steadings 2 and 3 would seem to suggest that the original roof covering, and structure has been removed at some point in the past and replaced with tin.

Recommendations

The author feels that the photographic survey and written notes on the tin roofed building at The Cottage, Collace are an adequate record of the building prior to its demolition and there would seem to be no need for any further work. However, the final decision on that rests with Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust.

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Discovery & Excavation in Scotland Entry

LOCAL AUTHORITY:	Perth and Kinross
PROJECT TITLE/SITE NAME:	The Cottage, Collace
PROJECT CODE:	COL01
PARISH:	Collace
NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR(S):	Derek Hall
NAME OF ORGANISATION:	Derek Hall, archaeologist and ceramic specialist
TYPE(S) OF PROJECT:	Standing Building Record
NMRS NO(S):	N/A
SITE/MONUMENT TYPE(S):	None
SIGNIFICANT FINDS:	None
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START DATE	14 th January 2019
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PREVIOUS WORK (incl. DES ref.)	None
MAIN (NARRATIVE) DESCRIPTION: (May include information from other fields)	A photographic survey was carried out of the 19 th century tin roofed building at The Cottage, Collace, Perth and Kinross. Written descriptions were made of external and internal elevations and fittings.
PROPOSED FUTURE WORK:	None
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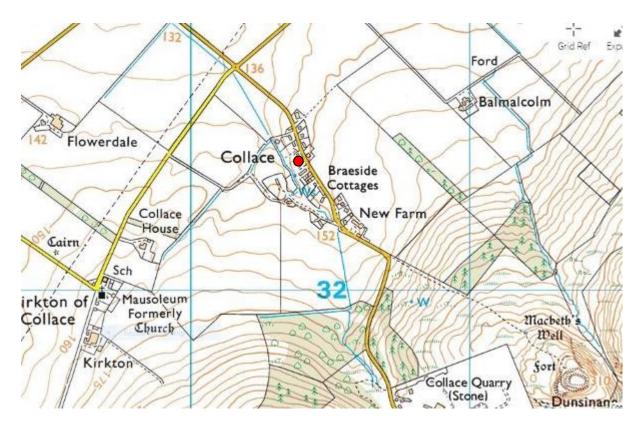


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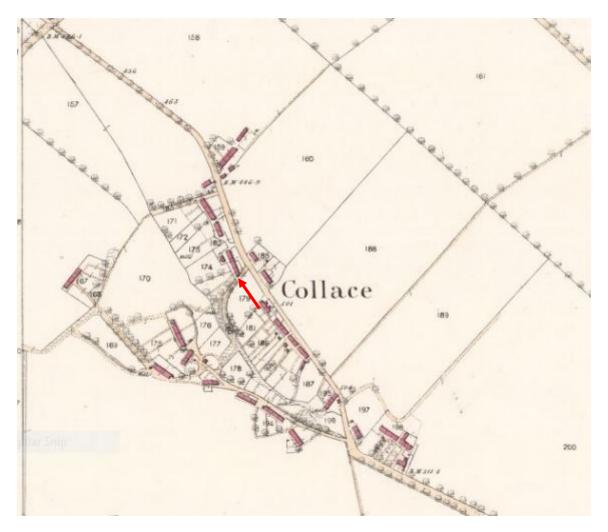
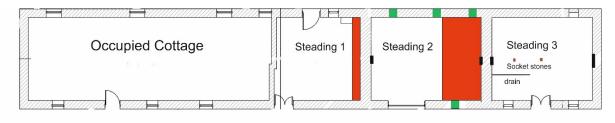


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Scale in metres

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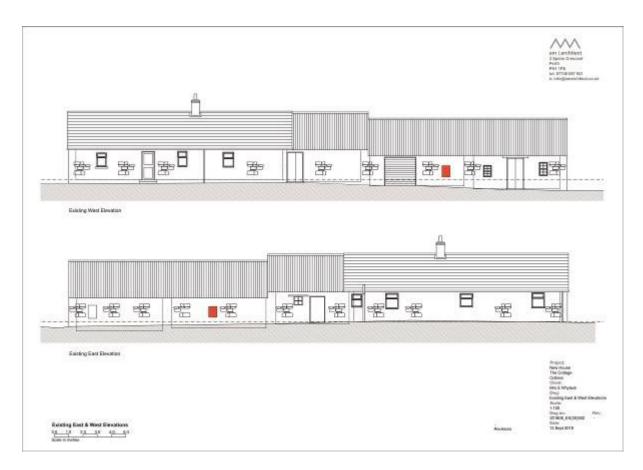


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