

Belbroughton

Belbroughton Primary School

Bradford Lane

DY9 9TF

Belbroughton

BDC ID BEL001

Description / Summary

School building by J.A Chatwin constructed from brick with clay tiled roof in a Gothic style. Vigorous diapered red and blue brick work with a central stepped gable with chimney. Bold, circular cloackroom apse left of porch with conical roof. Large modern extension to the rear.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Though the school building has been significantly extended to the rear, it is considered that the principal elevation fronting Bradford Lane retains its authenticity and is a good example of J.A Chatwin's work.

Architectural Interest

Described by Pevsner as being 'Gothic, 1876, nothing special'. However, it is considered that the front, principal elevation of the building is of high architectural merit. Was designed by the architect J.A Chatwin who went on to become the principal architect for Lloyds Bank, amongst other things. He designed a number of buildings in Birmingham and the Midlands, many now listed. The school was built by Mr Thomas Baylis of Belbroughton who also built the school at Fairfield.

Historic Interest

The school is illustrative of an important aspect of both local and social history and serves as a reminder of the development of the settlement in that it usurped 'The Old Schoolhouse' on Church Hill.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

In a prominent location on the route into the Belbroughton Conservation Area and is a striking local landmark.

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Church Hill

DY9 0DT

Belbroughton

BDC ID BEL002

Description / Summary

C18th and originally built as almshouses and converted to a parish workhouse in 1823, with it becoming subdivided into a beerhouse and a shop with associated houses following its sale in 1837. It stayed as a public house until the 1970s when it was converted into a restaurant and finally to a single dwelling circa 2001. Sitting over two storeys and five principle bays and constructed in red brick, reading from left: tripartite timber casement with leaded lights set under arched lintel with similar to first floor set under dentilled eaves; door with canopy, now closed; double casement to ground and first floor; main entrance door set under flat bracketed canopy with pilasters; double casement to ground and first floors. Right hand three bays consist of a pair of large 4/4 fixed lights with smaller lights at top, separated by door now disused, each with timber and leaded canopies. Tripartite casements to first floor. Shallow hipped roof covered in blue slate with one double brick stack to right centre of roof.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The building is an authentic and rare example of an Almshouse dating to the C18th.

Architectural Interest

Its simple and understated architecture with modern, but sympathetic, windows, retaining original slate roof. Large windows to right-hand bay are likely to be later inserts from the use as a pub/ beerhouse.

Historic Interest

The building is illustrative of changing social needs within the parish. The building was originally a poor house before being used as a Workhouse in 1823. By 1837 the workhouse was sold following the new Bromsgrove Union. It then became a public house, then restaurant and is now used as a private dwelling.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Old School House, 28

Church Hill

DY9 0DT

Belbroughton

BDC ID BEL003

Description / Summary

Former school house now residential. Four bays and two storeys with principal elevation comprising a tile gable roof with dentilated brick cornice at eaves. Two chimney stack to the south end of roof. Central bay features projecting first floor with flat roof, stone carved 'The Old School House/ Circa 1750' positioned under the eaves. Constructed of local red brick with sandstone end quoins. Mullioned stone window openings with modern leaded casements. Three point ogee stone arched doorway. Originally built as single storey and enlarged c.1850. Remained in use as a school until 1963.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The building retains its authenticity and has had minimal alterations, although some restoration work was carried out in the 1990s.

Architectural Interest

The building is a good example of Gothic architecture within the parish constructed in sandstone.

Historic Interest

Remained in use as a school until 1963 demonstrating a building of historic social importance due to its longstanding use as a public building. The school was replaced in 1873-4 by Belbroughton Primary School on Bradford Lane.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Building is in a prominent location on the top corner of Church Hill. Noted as a landmark building in the Conservation Area Appraisal.

Outbuilding to Fieldhouse Farm

Dark Lane

DY9 9SS

Belbroughton

BDC ID BEL004

Description / Summary

Outbuilding to Field House Farm. Unusually detailed elevation fronting Dark Lane with 6 matching, slender chimneys, ornated gablets, diapered brickwork and a corbelled brick corner.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

A traditional outbuilding with an unusually high level of detail and craftsmanship.

Architectural Interest

It displays a high level of architectural detailing which is unusual for an outbuilding.

Historic Interest

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The building forms an essential part of the street scene giving the north-eastern end of the village a sense of place.

Outbuilding east of 8 Drayton Road

Hackmans Gate Lane

DY9 0DX

Belbroughton

BDC ID BEL005

Description / Summary

Red brick construction with gabled tile roof with slate ridge. Diamond pattern formed from honeycomb brickwork in the eaves of the south-west elevation. It has dentilated eaves cornices on north-west and south-east elevations. Rectangular window on south-east elevation with deep surround and a sash window. At least late C18th. Has appearance of a mill building. Additional building is behind a wall which has bricked up segmental arch openings.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Unusual late C18th outbuilding, appears relatively unaltered in a prominent position overlooking Belbroughton. It could have been part of the mill complex that sat by the brook, and would have included Brook House and the Malt House which are Grade II listed.

Architectural Interest

Good degree of architectural quality for a modest outbuilding.

Historic Interest

Part of the mill which was located adjacent to the watercourse on Drayton Road.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The structure is a dominant feature in the landscape when walking along Drayton Road due to its prominence atop the nearby hill.

The Old Chapel

Forge Lane

DY9 0DT

Belbroughton

BDC ID BEL006

Description / Summary

Former Primitive Methodist chapel of red brick construction with slate roof and large modern extension to the east. Now in commercial use. Each of the original elevations comprise two large double height windows with rounded brick arches and thick glazing bars, set on stone cills. The principal elevation features a central timber door with a simple stone surround and timber roof. There is a defaced stone plaque which the HER suggests dates the building to 1850s/60s. Building present on the 1882 OS map.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Rare surviving example of Primitive Methodist church within the parish.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

The building displays a strong aspect of the area's religious history - Primitive Methodism was a major movement in England from c.1810 until the Methodist Union in 1932. It is also an example of the kind of religious nonconformity often associated with manufacturing areas.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The Talbot

Hartle Lane

DY9 9TG

Belbroughton

BDC ID BEL007

Description / Summary

Small public house with two pile plan. Bay windows along ground floor. Modern hipped porch located at both entrances. Windows with segmental arches along 1st floor gable end. Evidence of internal timber framing.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The building remains largely intact and is in good condition with few alterations. It is a good example of a C17th/18th public house within the district.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

Noted on the 1840 Tithe map and the 1883 OS map as 'Talbot Hotel'. It is a long surviving public house.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Sits on a prominent road intersection within Belbroughton with approaching views from the east, south and west.

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High Street

DY9 9SU

Belbroughton

BDC ID BEL008

Description / Summary

A two storey building of brick construction with clay hipped roof, set on a blue engineering brick plinth. It is noted as being a police station on the 1902 Second Edition OS map, but now in residential use. Principal elevation fronting onto the High Street is symmetrical, comprising a central timber door with painted stone surround and prominent key stone. To either side of the door is a modern window in original openings, with painted stone shouldered lintels and central key stones and painted stone cills. Windows are repeated to the first floor with cambered brick arches. Building also has original retaining wall.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Aside from the modern Upvc casement windows, the building is largely authentic to its construction, with original features and planform remaining. The building is a rare example of a municipal building from the 19th century within the village.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

The building, as a former police station, displays an important aspect of the area's social and political history.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Ye Old Horse Shoe Inn

High Street

DY9 9ST

Belbroughton

BDC ID BEL009

Description / Summary

Late C18th or early C19th . Recorded on the Tithe Map (1840) as Beer house, shop, house and garden. Tile gable roof with segmental arch window openings. 19th century bay window. Chimney stacks have string bands.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Dated to the C18th and recorded on 1840 tithe map as Beer house, shop, house and garden. Few alterations to the property allowing for the retention of the original built form identified on the original OS maps.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

A surviving example of a C18th public house. Provides an insight into the social history of the area.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

A visible landmark located on the High Street.

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High Street

DY9 9SY

Belbroughton

BDC ID BEL010

Description / Summary

A row of modest C19th dwellings constructed in brick beneath pitched slate roofs. The original window openings survive, although all windows have been replaced in Upvc.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Modest C19th dwellings originally constructed for scythe-making workers, a major industry in Belbroughton at this time.

Architectural Interest

Slate gable roof with chimney stacks projecting through ridge. Dentilated brick cornice at eaves. Windows have segmental arch openings and stone cills. The through-passage has a semi-circular arch. Early C19th with top of chimney stacks extended in blue engineering brick. Building present on 1840 Tithe map.

Historic Interest

Historically home to the scythe workers at the local mill. A surviving remnant of the scythe-making industry of Belbroughton

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Former Nash Works

Forge Lane

DY9 9TD

Belbroughton

BDC ID BEL011

Description / Summary

Medium sized brick building in English Garden Wall bond with dentilation at eaves. Large bay window on ground floor, modern with Upvc windows. Large window on 1st floor that appears to be an infilled loading bay door.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Evident on 1840 Tithe map as Waldron scythe mill and associated buildings and 1890 OS maps as Nash Works. Largely demolished with one surviving building. The site has largely been turned into a residential development.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

The last surviving remnant of the Nash Works. Scythe works had been established on this site as early as 1774 by Thomas Aston Waldron and had been a common industry in Belbroughton. Bought in 1874 by Isaac Nash the manufactory would then be known as the Nash Works and was the main source of employment within Belbroughton.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Dordale Cottage

Dordale Road

DY9 0BA

BDC ID BEL12

Description / Summary

C17th dwelling - single storey with attic of timber-framed and brick construction with large central brick chimney stack between two gables. Modern windows and porch.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The building largely dates to the C17th but some parts of the building, which are still identifiable are thought to be older, making this a rare example of an early timber-framed building.

Architectural Interest

The building is a rare example of timber-framing of this date.

Historic Interest

The building is visible on the Tithe maps and 1880s OS maps, although it clearly predates both.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The building is clearly visible from Dordale Road

Dordale Barn

Dordale Road

DY9 0BA

BDC ID BEL13

Description / Summary

C17th former farm building now converted to dwelling - single storey with attic and timber-frame and brick nogging construction. A simple rectangular planform with tie-beams and studs exposed on end gables. Roof is gabled with clay tiles. Fenestration is modern, a single door on the side elevation for the entrance.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The building dates from at least the C17th with C18 brick nogging. The timber-framed elements of the building are identifiable and give the building character making it a good example of an earlier timber-framed building in the parish.

Architectural Interest

The building is a good example of timber-framing dating from the C17th.

Historic Interest

Once a farm building now converted to dwelling. Likely to have been associated with Dordale Farm directly to the north. The barn illustrates the history of the area.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The building is visible from Dordale Road and its architectural and historic quality contribute positively to the character of the area.

Broomhill Farm

Dordale Road

DY9 0AZ

BDC ID BEL14

Description / Summary

A Victorian threshing barn, unconverted. Brick beneath a pitched concrete tiled roof. Ventilation holes to the front elevation, original double doors. Some attached barns also brick beneath pitched concrete tiled roofs.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

C19th threshing barn with attached farm buildings. Evident on 1880s OS maps.

Architectural Interest

Good vernacular architectural design.

Historic Interest

A good example of a surviving threshing barn which has not been converted to residential use.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

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Brook Road

B61 9JZ

Fairfield

BDC ID BEL15

Description / Summary

Mid C19th property. Tiled gable roof with dentilated brick cornice at the eaves. Heavily rendered exterior. Square stacks at gables with string course close to top, vent tiles in ridge. Former nailers cottage.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Mid-C19th nailers cottage. Evident on First edition 1883 OS map

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

Former nailers cottage linked with the historic nailing industry of Belbroughton and Bromsgrove

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

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Brook Road

B61 9JZ

Fairfield

BDC ID BEL16

Description / Summary

Mid-late C19th with C20th extensions to north-east and to rear. Appear as a row of four cottages on the 1901 OS map, although a building is also present as a house, garden and shop on the 1840 Tithe map. Now converted to two. Possibly originally single storey with converted roof space. No 25 has dentilated eaves cornice. Chimney stacks have string bands close to top.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Mid-late C19th with C20th extensions clearly shown on the 1901 OS map.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

Former nailers cottage linked with the historic nailing industry of Belbroughton and Bromsgrove

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Hagley Hill Farm

Mearse Lane

DY9 9YE

BDC ID BEL17

Description / Summary

A range of farm buildings constructed around a loose courtyard fronting to the roadside. Evident on the 1830 Ordnance Survey map but most likely pre-date this, and remain in the same planform. Main barn to the roadside has been heavily altered with steel frame to remains of brick wall, with smaller barns gable-end facing on to the road, both most likely of late C18th to early C19th date. Main range, forming the western and rear elements of the loose courtyard: western range has main barn with waney-edged oak boarding to side elevations with two large doors to the western elevation and with a tiled roof. Single bay to the gable elevation of C17th timber-framed construction with king-post truss visible with brick nogging - possibly earlier element. Northern range of single storey with central carriage arch all constructed in brick - possibly stables. Farmhouse dates to 1960s/ 1970s and is of no interest.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

A historic farmstead of unconverted farm buildings includes a timber-framed C17th century barn with king post truss visible on the northern gable, and early C19th brick barns.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

An extant farmstead with unconverted buildings still used for agriculture. Timber-framing is still evident. Modern alterations have been made along separate range running along the road with C19th wall with C20th buttresses

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Barn at Money Lane Farm

Money Lane

B61 0QY

BDC ID BEL18

Description / Summary

A threshing barn with a segmental arch and honeycomb brickwork for ventilation and dentilled eaves. Large opening partially blocked. Clay tile roof. Later C19th extension to side with segmental arched doorway with stable door. Both main building and side wing have been re-roofed in plain red clay tiles.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Buildings present on 1839 Tithe map as a complete farm. Buildings occupy the same footprint and form as that on historic maps with little evidence to suggest significant alterations.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

A largely intact farmstead that has remained unconverted. The form and historic nature of the site is largely still legible.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Outbuilding at Money Lane Farm

Money Lane

B61 0QY

BDC ID BEL19

Description / Summary

C19th outbuilding at Money Lane School Farm. Red brick, single storey with tile gable roof with dentilated eaves at the gable. Square window opening inserted in gable end with no window. Roof covered in dark red plain clay tiles.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Building is present on 1893 OS but not on earlier Tithe maps.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

Part of a largely intact C19th farmstead that has remained unconverted to residential use. The form and historic nature of the site is largely still legible.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Money Lane Farmhouse

Money Lane

B61 0QY

BDC ID BEL20

Description / Summary

Early C19th brick farmhouse with tiled gable roof and chimney stack in each end gable. Stacks have string bands. Dentilated eaves cornice. Segmental arched windows flush with face of wall. Located to the north of the farm buildings, gable end to the road.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Building is present on 1839 Tithe map. Now in use as an educational farm as part of Chapmans Hill Farm.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

Part of a largely intact early C19th farmstead with outbuildings which have remained unconverted to residential use. The form and historic nature of the site is largely still legible.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The Swan Inn

Stourbridge Road

B61 9NG

BDC ID BEL21

Description / Summary

A two-storey public house of painted brick construction on a stone plinth. The pub is comprised of three adjoining buildings which decrease in height from south to north. The principal elevation which fronts the B4091 has a squared bay window to either side of the door at the ground floor, two of which are in the principal building and flank a central timber door which has a moulded timber surround and blocked fanlight. To the first floor of the principal building there are 2 modern, timber casement windows in what appear to be the original openings. There is a dentilated brick course to the eaves and to the gables. The second range, most likely originally a barn, has two further squared bay windows at ground floor with dentilled eaves. The final range sitting over a single storey has no window openings.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The building remains largely intact and is in good condition. It is a good example of a mid-C19th public house within the district.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

The building is present on the Tithe map as an 'Inn' and has remained in the same use throughout its life.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The building is in a prominent location at the junction of Swan Lane and the B4091 Stourbridge Road.

Church of St Mark

Stourbridge Road

B61 9LZ

BDC ID BEL22

Description / Summary

Church, built in 1853-4 by Benjamin Ferrey. Opened in 1857. Sneked sandstone, with pattered tiled roof. Nave and chancel in one, with south porch and west bell cote. Below the latter, five shafted lancets, the central one wider and blind. Otherwise the nave has plate tracery, the chancel lancets, the east end three stepped below a large rose. Inside each lancet pair is linked by an arcade with central shaft well detached from the wall. Tall arch-braced roof. Most furnishings survive, notably the sexfoil-shaped font and polygonal stone pulpit. The later re-set adjoining a low stone wall (meant to carry a wrought iron screen) by Webb and Grey, 1938. Communion rails c. 1916. Stained glass in east window 1949, by F.M Baker.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Prominent church along the Fairfield main road. Built in 1854 and has remained in good condition.

Architectural Interest

Built by Benjamin Ferrey. A very good example of victorian church building in the medieval styles with early english lancet windows and plate tracery.

Historic Interest

Associated with area's religious history and and victorian church building at the time.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Placed prominently along Stourbridge Road. A signifiante building within the village at a central location

War Memorial

Stourbridge Road

B61 9LZ

BDC ID BEL23

Description / Summary

A WW1 stone memorial Latin cross with 3 octagonal steps and octagonal plinth and shaft. The memorial was designed by the Bromsgrove Guild and was unveiled by General Sir Percy Radcliffe. The inscription reads: "To the Glory of God and in Memory of the Men of Fairfield who gave their lives for God, King and Country in the Great War 1914 - 1919 and Lest We Forget".

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The memorial is a good, complete example of a WW1 war memorial designed by the Bromsgrove Guild.

Architectural Interest

The memorial was designed by the Bromsgrove Guild. The Bromsgrove Guild was founded by sculptor Walter Gilbert. Their most well known commissions were the gates of Buckingham Palace and the Liverbirds in Liverpool.

Historic Interest

The memorial is a symbol of collective memory associated with the memorial of World War 1.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Located in a prominent position on the main road by the village hall.

Loop-holed walls

Stourbridge Road

B61 9LZ

BDC ID BEL24

Description / Summary

Two red brick walls with loopholes from WWII. Walls are constructed in red brick with blue brick copings, with walls most likely dating to the mid-C19th with loop-holes formed by removed bricks. Located on the southern and northern side of the Brook Road and Stourbridge Road junction.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The loopholed walls are both locally and nationally rare examples of Home Front fortification from World War Two.

Architectural Interest

The defensive features of the walls are architecturally rare in both Bromsgrove and nationally and are a good example of loopholes that are still fully intact and unaltered.

Historic Interest

The walls are a reminder of the Home Guard fortifications that the country went through during World War Two.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The walls are located on a prominent junction within the settlement.

Fairfield First Primary School

Stourbridge Road

B61 9LZ

BDC ID BEL25

Description / Summary

Late C19th primary school. School hidden behind church. Red brick with tiled and gabled roof. Segmental arch windows with blue brick openings.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Building present on 1882 OS map with prominent Victorian architectural styles. Similar to Belbroughton Primary School constructed around a similar time.

Architectural Interest

Similar in appearance to Belbroughton Primary School. While not designed by J. A. Chatwin, it is possibly inspired by his design for Belbroughton. Front elevation shows a high degree of architectural merit.

Historic Interest

The school is illustrative of an important aspect of both local and social history

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Wildmoor Primitive Methodist Chapel

Top Road

B61 0RD

BDC ID BEL26

Description / Summary

A former Jubilee Primitive Methodist chapel of red brick construction designed by Mr. Ewan Harper of Barnt Green and Birmingham and built by Mr Baylis of Belbroughton. The principal elevation fronting Top Road comprises a central timber door with a stained glass window directly above to the first floor. Stained glass depicts a shepherd and sheep with the statement "In Memory of Mr and Mrs O'Lees". Above this window is a carved stone which reads "Jubilee Methodist Chapel" with Jubilee arising from the Jubilee of the Primitive Methodist Missionary Society. There is a decorative, stepped brick course to the eaves and a small lean-to to the north.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The building is rare surviving example of a Primitive Methodist church within the parish and remains in its original planform with little to no alterations.

Architectural Interest

The building was designed by the prominent Birmingham architect Mr. Ewan Harper.

Historic Interest

The building displays a strong aspect of the area's religious history - Primitive Methodism was a major movement in England from c.1810 until the Methodist Union in 1932. It is also an example of the kind of religious non-conformity often associated with manufacturing areas.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The Wildmoor Oak PH

Top Road

B61 ORB

BDC ID BEL27

Description / Summary

Listed on OS maps as Royal Oak PH dating from at least 1883 although the building appears to be present on the 1839 Tithe map as a house and garden. Original range on north side running east to west. East gable is higher and a much steeper pitch. Possibly the original building with the lower gable as an extension. Three chimney stacks. One of each gable end and a third central through the roofline. Slate tile roof. Multiple modern extensions to the rear.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Evident on the 1883 OS maps as Royal Oak PH, it has retained the original range running east to west and its use as a public house. Modern extensions to the south have impacted upon its completeness and significance.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

A public house that has remained in use for the previous 150+ years. A isolated building indicating the rural history of the area and the social history,

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Prominent position at the bottom of Top Road and as a social landmark that has existed within the landscape for over 150 years.

Wildmoor Mill Farm

Mill Lane

B61 OBX

BDC ID BEL28

Description / Summary

A three-storey mill building of rendered brick construction, recorded on the 1839 Tithe map as 'Wildmoor Corn Mill' with mill house, stable and garden. It has a clay tiled roof with painted brick work and a dentilated course to the eaves. There are modern windows throughout the building in what appear to be the original openings with those to the ground and first floor having segmental arches. There is a central window to the second floor under a semi-circular arch. Between the first and second floor is a clock. Adjoining the building to the south is a single storey range which is visible from the Tithe map onwards, though is likely to be a later addition.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The building represents a good example of a relatively unaltered late eighteenth century corn mill, in terms of legibility and plan form.

Architectural Interest

The building is a surviving example of a corn mill that is still architecturally recognisable as its former use.

Historic Interest

The building holds evidence for its former industrial use as a corn mill and is recognisable for its association with the growth of mill industries in the area.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The building is located on 'Mill Lane' which it can be assumed was named after Wildmoor Corn Mill.

Former Primitive Methodist Chapel

Chapel Lane

DY9 9XJ

BDC ID BEL29

Description / Summary

A former Primitive Methodist chapel of red brick construction with blue engineering brick diapering, built in 1873. The principal elevation fronting Chapel Lane has a central, projecting porch with a modern window rather than a door with a semi-circular arched head and a blue brick cill. There are semi circular arched window openings with blue brick detailing above on the front and side elevations, with replacement windows. There is a dentilated brick course to the gable and a trefoil shaped ventilator opening in a stone rectangle in the gable apex. Now converted to residential use.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The building is good surviving example of a Primitive Methodist chapel within the parish. Its original plan form is legible, despite additions to the side and rear.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

The building displays a strong aspect of the area's religious history - Primitive Methodism was a major movement in England from c.1810 until the Methodist Union in 1932. It is also an example of the kind of religious non-conformity often associated with manufacturing areas.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The building is located on 'Chapel Lane' which it can be assumed was named after the Methodist chapel, in a prominent position.

The Ram House

Hartle Lane

DY9 9TN

BDC ID BEL30

Description / Summary

A red brick building described on the Tithe map of 1840 as Mill, Piggery and Stables. The building is present on the 1st edition 1880s OS map as part of Bell End Mill and described as a Hydraulic Ram from the 2nd edition 1901 map. The principal elevation fronting Hartle Lane has a central, modern timber door in an original opening under a segmental arch. This is flanked by two modern windows which are also in original openings under segmental arches with blue engineering brick cills. The gable end to the west comprises a large, 8-paned modern window which sits under a large timber lintel and segmental brick arch.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The building is a surviving example of a hydraulic ram house that remains in good condition and is associated with the milling industry within the parish.

Architectural Interest

The building is a surviving example of a hydraulic ram house that is still architecturally recognisable as its former use.

Historic Interest

The building is evidence of the areas former industrial life which is associated with Bell End Mill.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

East Lodge

Hartle Lane

DY9 9UL

BDC ID BEL31

Description / Summary

A two-storey building of red brick construction with decorative blue engineering brick diapering. Decorative tiled roof with bands of fish-scale tiles. Multi-gabled roof to the northern elevation with a single brick chimney stack to the northern gable end. The principal east elevation has a large, steep gable which comprises a central bay window (now with Upvc) to the ground floor and a modern Upvc window to the first floor in the original opening with a shouldered stone lintel the details of which are repeated throughout the building. The lodge is associated with Bell Hall and was probably built during the rebuild of the Hall c.1847 (it not being present on the 1840 Tithe map). The retaining wall was rebuilt between 2010 and 2018 but the original design in blue brick with red brick detailing with stone copings was replicated.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

It retains its Victorian Gothic character and legibility as a lodge house.

Architectural Interest

Possibly designed by Edward Smith of Oldwinsford in conjunction with Bell Hall, now listed Grade II, in a Victorian Gothic style.

Historic Interest

The lodge was built in conjunction with Bell Hall for Charles Noel who was the High Sheriff of Worcestershire. The existence of a pair of lodges to this property (see West Lodge) indicates its high status.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The building is in a prominent position on Hartle Lane.

West Lodge

Hartle Lane

DY9 9TP

BDC ID BEL32

Description / Summary

A two-storey building with modern cream render on north and east elevations with tile hanging on the side wing and west elevation. Main body of building is in half-cruciform plan with steep gables of clay tile with three rooflights on the north elevation. Extended to the west with a catslide roof to the north and tile hanging to the west in a restrained Arts & crafts style, although possibly constructed in the 1950s.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

It retains some of its original character, and legibility as the other (most likely secondary) lodge to Bell Hall.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

The lodge was built to service Bell Hall, probably during the rebuilding c.1847. Although significantly altered and extended in the twentieth century it is still legible as a lodge to Bell Hall and the existence of a pair of lodges to this property (see East Lodge) indicates its high status.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The building is in a prominent position on Hartle Lane.

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Hartle Lane

DY9 9TJ

BDC ID BEL33

Description / Summary

A two-storey white painted brick building to the east with a single storey timber-framed element to the west with white brick infill. Tile gable roof with tile gable dormers facing Hartle Lane. Windows have segmental arch openings. Large chimney stacks with string course and cornice. Single storey extension to the east (left) just below timber beam. C20th porch on north elevation.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The timber-framing on the single storey element to the west (right) shows evidence of age and is considered to date from the C17th. Although remodelling has taken place, evidence of the original fabric is visible to the street elevation, and extensions have allowed the original planform of the dwelling to be understood. A rare example of a timber-framed house in Belbroughton.

Architectural Interest

A good example of a C17th building developed overtime. Showing clearly later additions and alterations such as dormers, porch and painted exterior.

Historic Interest

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Brookfield Farm

Hackman's Gate Lane

DY9 0DL

BDC ID BEL34

Description / Summary

Two-storey brick farmhouse with incised render on gable ends. Two large chimney stacks, one on gable end and another on rear elevation. Stone lintels above windows and doorway with front elevation dominated by central projecting gable. Enclosed U-plan farmbuildings to the rear of the farmhouse with entrance through a large basket arch in the south side of the building. Built largely of red brick with a clay tile roof. Opposite building features door openings with segmental arches. A threshing barn is located in the mid-section of the plan. Late C19th with honeycomb brickwork for ventilation and diamond pattern ventilation in gable eaves, visible from the roadside.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

An intact mid- to late C19th farmstead with farmhouse retaining an enclosed courtyard plan. Evident on 1882 1st edition OS maps of Belbroughton. Less than 50% loss of traditional building

Architectural Interest

A good example of a mid- to late C19th farmhouse and farmstead in an enclosed U-plan form.

Historic Interest

Building is visible on the 1882 1st Edition OS maps

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The building is one of few along Hackman's Gate Lane and sits prominently within the landscape

Coalyard Farm			
Heath End Road	DY9 9XH		BDC ID BEL35

Description / Summary

C17th timber-framed house with red brick infill and a tiled roof. One storey with an attic, three bays wide, with simple door assymetrically placed in centre. Single casement window to the left and right and assymetrical gable window. To the right single storey one bay extension. To the left there exists an C18th barn.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Dated to C17th with timber-framing and red brick infill. Evident on 1882 1st edition OS maps: house and barn are also recorded on the 1838 Belbroughton tithe. There has been a partial loss of traditional buildings.

Architectural Interest

Linear plan farmbuilding with farmhouse attached and is a rare occurance within Bromsgrove District and Worcestershire as a whole. The timber-framing construction indicates the historic architectural practices for construction and design.

Historic Interest

The building is an example of Belbroughtons rural history and agricultural practices.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Hill Cottage			
Hockley Brook Lane	DY9 0AD		BDC ID BEL36

Description / Summary

L-Plan C19th brick cottage, painted white. Chimney stacks on both north and south gable ends. Dentilated cornices with segmented arches above windows. Timber porch with brick foundation. Clay tile roof. Has received little visible alterations to the front elevation compared with outline in 1884 OS map.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Dated to the mid-C19th. Evidence on the 1884 OS map, linked with brickworks and clay pit to the rear of the property.

Architectural Interest

Modest vernacular architecture, constructed in local materials.

Historic Interest

Visible on 1884 1st Edition OS map and likely connected with historic brickworks and clay pit in the neighbouring field.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Hill Farmhouse			
Hockley Brook Lane	DY9 0AA		BDC ID BEL37

Description / Summary

Has large stone chimney at rear of building topped with large brick stacks possibly star-shaped. Heavily rendered house exterior. Possibly C16th timber-frame partially rebuilt in brick and extended in C19th. Building present on 1840 Tithe map.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Dated to the C16th with timber-framing. Extended in brick and heavily rendered. Linked with the farmbuildings opposite and evident as Hill Farm on 1840 Tithe map.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

A partially complete farmstead with converted buildings retaining much of their form. Set within the historic context of the agricultural history of the area.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The Milking Parlour, Hill Farm			
Hockley Brook Lane	DY9 0AA		BDC ID BEL38

Description / Summary

U-plan farmstead with threshing barn, granary, hayloft and cart shed, all of which have been converted to residential use. Cart shed has been significantly altered and illegible.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Possibly dated to C17th but with C19th extensive rebuilding. Present on 1840 Tithe map. Buildings have been converted to residential buildings but retain much of their character and significance.

Architectural Interest

Basket arch with diamond-shaped brick piercing. U-shaped courtyard with detached farmhouse opposite. South cart shed has been altered significantly through residential conversion but main threshing barn preserves the character and significance of the farm.

Historic Interest

A partially complete farmstead with converted buildings retaining much of their form. Set within the historic context of the agricultural history of the area.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The Furlongs

Holy Cross Lane

DY9 9SJ

BDC ID BEL39

Description / Summary

Dating to the mid- to late C19th. Red brick construction with tiled gable roof with chimney through ridge. Dormer windows. Segmental head windows with shaped shoulders on second floor. Lintelstring band. Pointed stone arch entranceway. Rear courtyard retains much of its original form.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Mid- to late C19th. Present on 1st edition 1883 OS map and has retained its planform. Many original features remain such as the pointed arch entrance and the fenestrations. A mixture of modern and original window joinery. Unsympathetic modern extensions to the east and west of the building.

Architectural Interest

Good level of design and craftsmanship present within the original building to create an impressive, complete Victorian country farmhouse.

Historic Interest

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Gorse Farm House

Gorse Green Lane

DY9 9UH

BDC ID BEL40

Description / Summary

Gorse Farm, Belbroughton. Partially extant early to mid-C19th farmstead with converted buildings. Regular courtyard with multiple yards. The farmhouse is detached with gable on to the yard. There has been some loss of traditional buildings.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Early to mid-C19th farmhouse and farmstead. Present on 1840 Tithe map. The farmhouse has retained much of its form with little alterations, although the farmstead has suffered from partial loss of farm buildings; surviving farm buildings have been converted to residential dwellings.

Architectural Interest

Good level of architectural design evident in the farmhouse. High level of craftsmanship and design present. Looks to have maintained original sash windows.

Historic Interest

Evident on 1840 Tithe map with few alterations made to its built form. A good example of a C19th farmstead, illustrating the agricultural working methods of the time.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

Galtons Mill

Galton Lane

DY9 9TS

BDC ID BEL41

Description / Summary

Historic C18th mill (now converted) of red brick construction with modern windows in original openings under segmental brick arches. There is a large, modern brick extension to the west and rear of the building. The HER suggests that the building was originally referred to as Savage's Mill and was used for grinding corn. By 1751 it was ownership was transferred to Farmer and Galton and the mill was used for grinding gun barrels. By 1846 Isaac Nash rented the mill and it became a scythe factory. In 1870, the building was used as a grinding mill only and then closed in 1940. Grade II Listed Water Wheel on site.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

The building is considered to date from the C18th, although a mill has been present here since the C16th making it is a rare surviving example of an historic water mill.

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

The building has associations with Farmer and Galton and Isaac Nash, all of whom were important industrial figures in the West Midlands.

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The building historically used as a mill for grinding corn, and residing in much of its original plan form and location, is a positive example of local history and positively contributes to the character and appearance of the landscape and area.

Brookhouse Farm

Sandy Lane

B61 0QW

BDC ID BEL42

Description / Summary

Early C19th. Slate gable roof with chimney stacks in each end gable. First floor windows have rusticated arches with a central keystone. Possible sash windows. Plain eaves cornice.

Age, Authenticity and Rarity

C19th farmhouse. Appears on 1st edition OS map with few alterations evident in the footprint since the C19th.

Architectural Interest

A good example of craftsmanship and high quality design. Survives relatively unaltered.

Historic Interest

Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest

The Hayloft, Hill Farm Barns			
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Hockley Brook Lane	DY9 0AA	Belbroughton	BDC ID	BEL43
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Description / Summary

South-eastern range of farm buildings now converted to residential. U-plan farmstead with threshing barn, granary, hayloft and cart shed, all of which have been converted to residential use. Cart shed has been significantly altered and illegible.
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Age, Authenticity and Rarity

Architectural Interest

Historic Interest

A partially complete farmstead with converted buildings retaining much of their form. Set within the historic context of the agricultural history of the area.
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Townscape/Villagescape/Landscape Interest