

## **DRAFT LOCAL LIST FOR PONTELAND. 5<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2016.**

### **1. Introduction.**

This Draft "Local List" is of buildings, open spaces or other local features – *not otherwise formally Listed* – for possible incorporation into the emerging Neighbourhood Plan for Ponteland.

At the present stage the individual items should be regarded as suggestions, which will only be incorporated after full agreement of all interested parties, and found to be in accordance with whatever overall criteria may be deemed appropriate.

The criteria used for the present purposes are applied in a Local, rather than a National context, and may be summarised as follows:-

- (a) of Architectural interest;
- (b) of Historical interest;
- (c) of Landscape or Leisure value;
- (d) of Social, Religious or Community relevance;
- (e) some mixture of (a) to (d) above.

### **2. List of Proposed Items.**

- 1) The Diamond Inn, to the east of the river and the north side of Ponteland Road. [1]
- 2) The Greensward, to the east of North Road and south of St. Mary's Church.
- 3) The former Coates Institute, 1 Main Street, currently occupied by Estate Agents *Sanderson Young*. (19<sup>th</sup> C)
- 4) Ponteland Methodist Church at the junction of Callerton Lane and Ponteland Road. [2]
- 5) The building to the east of Ponteland Methodist Church, known as Ash House, Bell Villas, currently occupied by Estate Agents *Rook, Matthews Sayer*. [3]
- 6) The building immediately to the east of (5) above, known as 14 Bell Villas, currently occupied by solicitors *Nicholson and Morgan*.
- 7) The Greensward and trees surrounding Ponteland Library, Thornhill Road.
- 8) The former Natwest Bank building at the junction of Darras Road and West Road. [4]
- 9) Merton Cottages, 2 & 4 West Road. [5]
- 10) "Ladywell Cottage" on West Road, immediately to the West of Collingwood Court.
- 11) St. Matthews RC Church on West Road. [6]
- 12) Ponteland Park to the south of West Road in its entirety.

- 13) Eland Green Farm off North Road with adjacent residences and duck pond. [7]
- 14) Little Callerton Cottage, 79 Runnymede Road. [8]
- 15) No 10 Darras Road, originally erected for Miss Wakinshaw. [9]
- 16) No 8 Darras Road – a cottage for Miss Wakinshaw's gardener. [10]
- 17) The three restored milestones originally erected for the turnpike that are on the A696 through the parish. [11]
- 18) Dalton Village Hall. [12]
- 19) Clickemin Farmhouse. NE20 9BQ [13]
- 20) The former school on the Ponteland Police Headquarters Site. [14]
- 21) Strettle's Funeral Parlour. [15]
- 22) Ponteland Memorial Hall, Darras Road. NE20 9NX

### **3. References/Comments.**

- [1] *Circa. 1830 and, unaccountably, has never been formally Listed.*
- [2] *Built in 1908 and subsequently extended, it replaced a smaller building which had been erected in 1841 on the same site.*
- [3] *Built between 1842 and 1858.*
- [4] *Built in the Victorian style for Barclays Bank and opened in 1904.*
- [5] *Built prior to 1905; No. 2 currently occupied by Fortress Computers. The pair of semi-detached dwellings were described as "College Row" in the book "Images of Ponteland" (1999) by J. Turner. The correct designation needs to be confirmed.*
- [6] *Built in 1950 in a contemporary style to replace the wooden shed on an adjacent site which had served from 1903 until 1947. There was an interim period 1947-50 when services took place in Smith's Café opposite (since demolished). The present Church was further extended in 1978 and a new parish hall built adjacently on the site of the original wooden shed.*
- [7] *A typical Northumbrian farmhouse built in 1889 by Donkin to replace an older set of farm buildings.*
- [8] *Originally part of Little Callerton Moor Farm – now demolished. Although subsequently altered in its life most of the cottage is at least 200 years old. Access is by a long drive so unseen by normal traffic. Mrs. Margaret Erni is the owner and is keen to see it preserved rather than demolished. When the Erni family moved in they were told*

*that by repute it used to be the Mole Catchers cottage. For more info. see Muriel Sobo & Alma Prickett.*

[9] *House built for Miss Wakinshaw, the sister of the founder of Darras Hall Estate, and one of the first buildings to be erected. A 1911 date is on the building.*

[10] *Cottage for Miss Wakinshaw's gardener and one of the first buildings to be erected; A 1911 date is on the building.*

[11] *The milestones give the distances to Newcastle and Belsay; the locations are: (a) Cheviot View (7 and 6¾) near Strettle's undertakers (8 and 5¾) and North of The Wagon (11 and 2¾). The PTC have restored all of these milestones. See also PN&V November 2015. p.17.*

[12] *Dalton Village Hall is in Ponteland Parish (just) and receives an annual grant from the PTC. It is located on the site of the cottages used by workers at the former watermill located 100 yards east down the public right of way near the river. A plaque erected in 1989 "commemorates the achievement of the Eachwick Anglers' Association in restoring a section of the River Pont as a game fish habitat ... desilting Meg's Hole to create a large holding pool ... this work has allowed the passage of migratory fish along the River Pont." In fact, "Meg's Hole" is the correct name of the river from Dalton Village to the mill site downstream, where it becomes the Pont.*

*Of the mill itself, only the remains of the wheel pit and the tail race tunnel outlet can now be seen; An 1895 OS map shows a "fishpond" some 170m. to the north which supplied water to the mill; this pond was fed with a "millrace" from the river to the west; traces of these features can still be seen on Google Maps.*

[13] *Farmhouse Located on the north side of the A696, to the east of Clickemin. The present building probably Victorian, was subsequently extended to the rear. Recently sold and the subject of a planning application (15/03830/FUL) for further rear extensions (somewhat out of character), boundary fences, brick entrance with gates, and a triple rear garage.*

[14] *The School was originally built for the children housed in the "Cottage Homes" These are Grade II Listed buildings, built in 1903 and preserved on the Police Site, along with an original water-tower. It seems rather inconsistent that the school building, which is a typical example of its era, was never formally Listed.*

[15] *What is now Strettle's Funeral Parlour was, for many years, Snaith's Butchers; significant alterations were made to suit the changeover, but the original building is still evident. It is thought to have originally been one of Ponteland's Blacksmith's shops, but the exact date when this activity ceased is not at present known.*