

Heritage Statement

The house was originally built in 1582 as a timber-framed house and has since been substantially altered by its successive owners, notably in 1760 when the original structure was extended with a portico towards the park and the exterior was given a classical treatment.

The building was eventually gifted to the London County Council by Sir Sydney Waterlow in 1893, and ownership subsequently passed to the Greater London Council. The building had been listed at Grade I, but a major fire in 1963 destroyed much of the original roof and first floor structures. The GLC rebuilt the upper parts of the structure and the listing status was reduced to Grade II*.

Since 1978 the House, now owned by the London Borough of Camden, has been run by the Lauderdale House Society as a Community Arts and Education Centre.

The fencing outside the house is also part of the listed building. We do not intend to alter or remove the existing fencing in anyway. The proposed sign holders will use a hanging method that will be supported by the fencing but will require no impairment to the fencing. The house has a full heritage statement that can be referenced fully by request at any time.