

5 OTHER COTTAGES

5.1 Second Cottage from the North

- 5.1.1 This is generally as described from the north cottage, but the staircase is more complete.
- 5.1.2 The four panel door from the entrance lobby to sitting room is possibly the original that has been painted and faced on the entrance side with hardboard or similar, possibly to help make this a fire resistant. The panels on the back have some form of texturing applied
- 5.1.3 Within the sitting room the fireplace appears to be the original as it has a glazed tile surround with an inner set of glazed tiling and a hearth that corresponds with the hearth seen elsewhere. However, the general style of the present surround is more of a style of the 1930's.



Fig 5.1.3: Sitting room fireplace

- 5.1.4 In the kitchen the fire breast has been removed as that noted previously.

- 5.1.5 Within the bathroom there was an enamelled cast iron bath of a 1960-70's pattern.
- 5.1.6 On the first floor the landing is in intact condition with the walls and balustrade still in position to the head of the stairs. There is a square newel post that supports a painted timber handrail, but where the balusters have been faced on both sides with hardboard.
- 5.1.7 Opening off the landing are possibly the original doors that have been faced with hardboard.
- 5.1.8 The front bedroom is generally as that described for the north room, but here the over stairs cupboard and the attached walling is still in existence. It has a pair of four panel doors to the front that have been faced with hardboard on the outside together with applied lipping to the leading edges. Within the cupboard the sidewalls are panelled with timber that has been painted.

5.2 Second Cottage from the South

- 5.2.1 The door from the entrance lobby to the sitting room is a five panel door of original pattern, which has not been over clad.
- 5.2.2 Within the sitting room there is a modern fire surround fitted over the original fire opening at bottom of the chimneybreast.
- 5.2.3 Around the head of the sitting room walls is the original pattern picture rail.
- 5.2.4 Within the kitchen the chimneybreast still remains, but the fire opening has been enlarged by width and height. This is possibly to house a kitchen appliance or provide additional storage space of some form.
- 5.2.5 In the bathroom there has been no shower fitted and there is a bath in situ.
- 5.2.6 The balustrade and newel post at the top of the stairs are fully exposed.
- 5.2.7 The doors from the landing to the bedrooms are all in their original condition and have not been faced although they show where that have been re-hung.
- 5.2.8 On the north wall of the front bedroom there has been a built in bed head formed against the structure.
- 5.2.9 The front bedroom fireplace has been completely covered over with no opening at all.

5.2.10 The built in cupboard over the staircase to the front bedroom appeared to be in almost original condition, being fully panelled all the way around.



Fig 5.2.10: Over stairs cupboard in front bedroom

5.2.11 The ventilator panel between the two bedroom shows where this would have housed a nightlight or similar unit with a suspension hook within it from which it could be hung.

- 5.2.12 Access and therefore inspection within the rear bedroom was curtailed due to a structurally unsafe floor.
- 5.2.13 The bottom of the chimneybreast in the rear bedroom still has a burning basket and the inner face to fireplace, but the outer face and surround was missing.
- 5.2.14 In the rear bedroom in the left side of the chimneybreast is a fitted wardrobe with a pair of three panel doors to the front and similar panels on the outer side. Its overall style and form could suggest a dating to the 1930's.



Fig 5.2.14: Rea bedroom cupboard

5.3 South Cottage

- 5.3.1 The door to the sitting room from the entrance lobby is a modern standard joinery small pane, single glazed door with BMA leaver latch set.