

# HERITAGE, DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT FOR PROPOSED WORK ON 1 BRIDEWELL STREET CLARE

## INTRODUCTION

This heritage, design and access statement has been prepared in support of an application for permission to refurbish the south and east exterior of the building. The property is a Grade II listed building that lies towards the northern end of the Clare Conservation Area.

It is a small semi-detached dwelling. Although it now forms part of an apparent unit as part of the terrace 1-8, numbers 1&2 are in fact post-1849.

## HERITAGE CONTEXT-

**Listing 1031766 CLARE Bridewell Street  
(West Side) Nos 1 to 4 (consec)**



A terrace of late C18 or early C19 timber-framed and plastered houses, now faced in roughcast. 2 storeys. 7 window range, double-hung sashes with glazing bars, in flush cased frames. 4-panel doors have wood doorcases with pilasters, frieze and cornice. Roofs slate. A good example of its period which has survived almost unaltered.

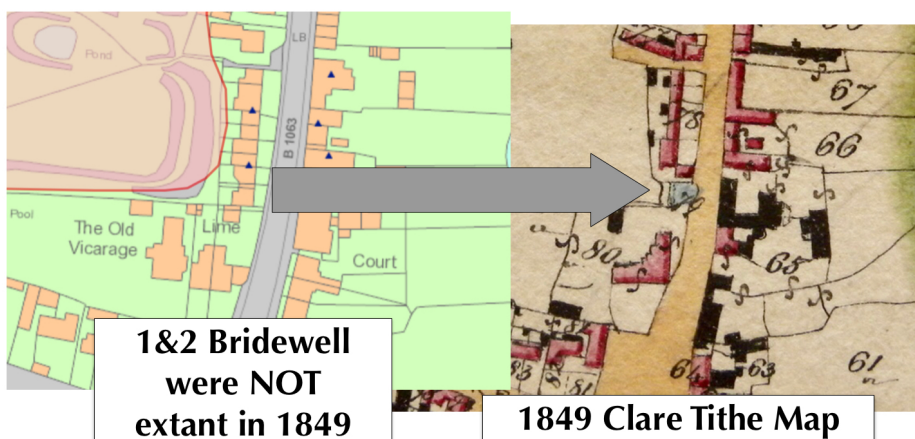
Nos 1 to 8 (consec) and Nos 13 to 15 (consec) with Nos 30 to 34 (consec), 37 to 44 (consec), Red Lion Inn and Nos 46 to 48 (consec) form a group.

### Local History “Clare Suffolk” by David Hatton, 2004.

Quote: “Bridewell Street; 1-4. A terrace of early 19c timber framed and plastered houses, now faced in roughcast. A good example of its period which has survived almost unaltered.”  
Comment- this entry is simply a copy from the listing entry and has not inspected maps held at Bury St Edmunds record office.

## THE PROPERTY

History and Development. Although the listing attributes 1&2 to late 18th century / early 19th century, the detailed 1849 Tithe Map of Clare does not show the property. The bathroom extension to the rear is probably 1970s.



**External Features.** Work over time has been sensitive only to the front of the property. All four front windows are sash and similar in appearance to others in the terrace, which are not however consistent in number of panes or detailed design.

**Interior Features.** One of the two first floor ceilings may be period plaster, but all other surfaces are modern. The staircase appears to have been replaced comparatively recently.

### **ASSESSMENT OF HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

Whilst 1 Bridewell Street is listed as part of a terrace, originally early 19th century, the extent of the fabric that contributes to its heritage significance is essentially limited to the features that contribute to the frontage. Numbers 1 and 2 are at earliest late 19th century.

### **DESIGN PROPOSALS**

The aim of the proposed work is to maintain the property. It is currently not watertight to south westerly rain which has saturated the south wall, leaking into the chimney space.



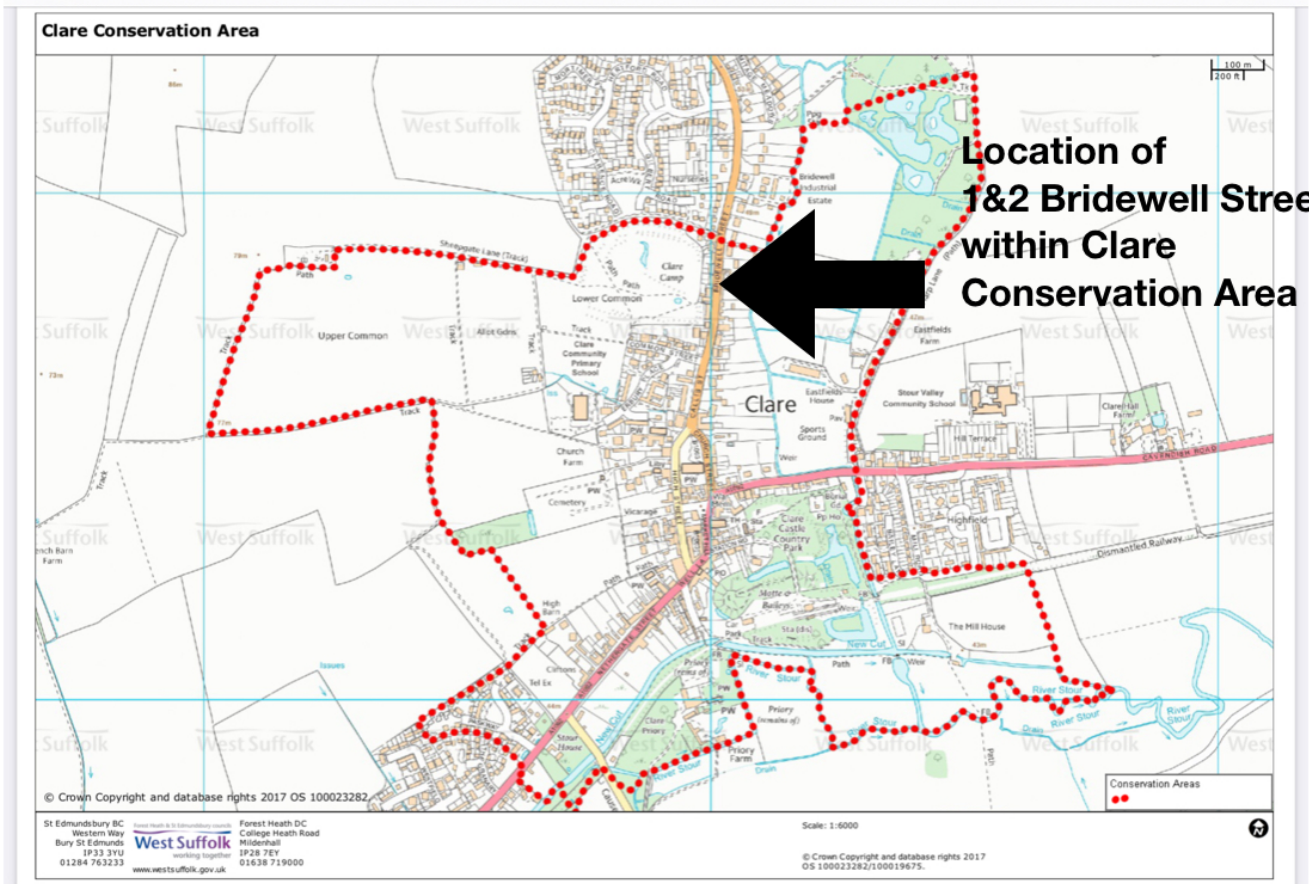
Further inspection will probably reveal the whole of the external render is impervious cement render, probably late 20th century. This is now mechanically incompetent.

### **INVOLVEMENT / CONSULTATION / POLICY**

The senior conservation officer was contacted on 5 November 2020 and pictures sent concerning a 1 square metre area of render which fell off into a neighbours passageway, and an emergency repair was carried out immediately afterwards.

The proposal is to remove the current incompetent render and replace with approved lime render by Mr Dee Maunders, who has recently re-rendered No 48 Bridewell Street, the house immediately opposite.

# APPENDIX



**Location of 1 Bridewell Street within Clare Conservation Area**