

heritage asset statement

application for planning permission and listed building
consent for improvements to the existing
catering kitchen extraction system at

The Lion, Main Street
Wendlebury,
Oxfordshire OX25 2PW.



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Introduction

Methodology

The preparation of the heritage statement and impact & justification statements are in line with the requirements of para 189 of the N.P.P.F. which states:

Proposals affecting heritage assets In determining applications, local planning authorities should require an applicant to describe the significance of any heritage assets affected, including any contribution made by their setting. **The level of detail should be proportionate to the assets' importance and no more than is sufficient to understand the potential impact of the proposal on their significance.**

This is what we have sought to achieve by consulting the relevant historic environmental records and the heritage assets assessed.

Proposals

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English Heritage listing

The Lion Wendlebury (*formerly the Red Lion*) is a grade II listed building. The English Heritage Listing is as follows

Overview

Heritage Category: Listed Building

Grade: II

List Entry Number: 1193655

Date first listed: 10-Apr-1987

Location

Statutory Address: THE RED LION PUBLIC HOUSE, MAIN STREET

County: Oxfordshire

District: Cherwell (District Authority)

Parish: Wendlebury

National Grid Ref: SP 56146 19660

Details

The Lion Wendlebury OX25 2PW

WENDLEBURY MAIN STREET SP51NE (East side) 3/139

The Red Lion Public House GV II Public house. Early/mid C18. Coursed limestone rubble with some ashlar dressings; Welsh-slate and Stonesfield 1-slate roofs with brick stacks. 3-unit range with rear outshut² and subsidiary ranges. 2 storeys plus attic. 5-window main range has, to left, a symmetrical 3-window arrangement with a central door, flanking 3-light casements, and 2-light windows at first floor; 2-window section to right has similar windows and a blocked door. All openings have ashlar flat arches with projecting blocks. Roof has stacks to right of centre and on each gable, plus 3 hipped roof dormers. Slightly lower stone-slatted bays at each end have some flat-arched openings with, to right, an old plank door. Single-storey slated 2-window range to extreme left is probably C19. Rear of main roof is stone-slatted and continues over a rear outshut.

National Grid Ref: SU 49951 96886

History of the site as known

Wendlebury is a village and civil parish about 2 miles (3 km) southwest of Bicester and about 1/2 mile (800 m) from Junction 9 of the M40. A stream flows through the centre of the village, parallel with the main street. The 2011 Census recorded the parish's population as 421. . . . Wendlebury has one public house, the Red Lion [Now the Lion Wendlebury]. It was built in the 17th century and seems to have been trading as an inn by 1732. In 1790 a farmer from Merton started a brewery in the village but the business failed and in 1809 [and] was put up for sale. A Bicester brewer bought it in 1820.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wendlebury>

The 'Red Lion' is an 18th-century building of coursed rubble. It is of two stories with three hipped dormer windows in a slate roof. A 19th-century drawing shows it with an outside flight of steps. (fn. 20) The house was sold in 1732 to Elizabeth Jarvis of Chesterton, and the terms of the sale imply that it had become an inn during the ownership of the seller. (fn. 21) Manorial courts were held there in the 19th century. (fn. 22) Two licences were issued in 1735, (fn.

¹ Stonesfield slate is the name for stone slates that originate from the village of Stonesfield, West Oxfordshire. This highly prized material is traditionally used for the most prestigious roofs, such as those of Oxford colleges. <https://www.roofingoxford.co.uk/stonesfield-slating>

² The **outshut** was an extension built onto the side or rear of an existing building, and the suffix describes the projection thus made. The first dictionary evidence for this word is a Yorkshire example of 1624, so it is likely to be a regional term

23) one perhaps to the 'Plough', the 19th-century name of the village's second public house. (fn. 24) [**N.B.** all footnotes refer to *Red Bk. Exch.* (Rolls Ser.), 345.]
<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/oxon/vol6/pp338-346#fnn24>

The site was purchased by the applicants in the summer of 2017; they do not have any archives for the property.

Planning history

The relevant planning history is noted elsewhere in the submitted design & access statement and justification & impact statement.

Heritage constraints



Map generated from Historic England website showing listed buildings, schedule monuments, etc within Wendlebury.

Local listed buildings

The nearest listed building is Elm Tree House Grade: II List UID: 1286075. There are two other listed building further down Church Lane and one in St Giles Close

Scheduled ancient monuments

Some distance to the North East is Alchester Roman site List UID: 1006365

Registered parks and garden None nearby

Conservation area None nearby.

Archaeology There is no excavation anticipated

References

The following publications and sources were consulted

English Heritage Listing

Wikipedia

Victoria County History (online version)



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