

# Land & & Buildings Marston

# Barn Farmhouse, Plough Lane

Farmhouse, late 17th Century, timber-frame with plaster panels on rubble stone plinth with half-hipped thatch roof and ridge stack. Two storeys, L-plan with ornamental double-curved angle and tension braces to front. Double-fronted with 2 casement pairs each floor and centre door under thatched hood. North end wall, rear and north side of rear wing have exposed framing, eyebrow dormers to rear and north side of wing. South end wall and south side of wing have 20th Century windows and rendered walls.

# Barn to the Rear of Barn Farmhouse, Plough Lane

Barn, late 17th Century or 18th Century, timber-frame with weatherboard cladding and corrugated iron roof. Brick base. Four bays, tie-beam and collar trusses with angle struts up to tie-beams.

# Croft Farmhouse, Plough Lane

Farmhouse. Circa early-mid 18th Century. Red brick in English bond, with stone dressings. Slate roof with gabled ends. Brick gable-end stacks.

Plan: Principal room on either side of central entrance; later outshut at rear and 19th Century outshut on right end.

Exterior: 2 storeys and attic. Symmetrical 3-bay front with flush stone quoins, plinth, unmoulded stringcourse at first floor level, 3-light stone mullion windows [centre first floor 1-light window] with casements with horizontal glazing bars and central moulded stone doorframe with stone canopy on shaped brackets and flush-panel door, top panels glazed. Single-storey brick outhouse on right with plank door and 6-pane window. At rear, single-storey brick outshut.

Interior: 18th Century joinery, including staircase with splat balusters and fielded-panel and plank doors.

#### Eastfield, Plough Lane

Farmhouse, 15th Century to early 17th Century, timber-frame and painted brick, timber-frame exposed on crosswing, main range clad in brick in 19th Century. Plain tile roofs, east end stack to crosswing, south end stack, on roof slope to main range. Two and 2½ storeys. Tall north end crosswing has exposed framing with angle braces to upper floors of west front and north gable, west front with herring-bone brick panels, original carved barge boards and pendant finial. Both fronts have 2-light timber-mullion attic window and first floor small 1:2:1-light timber oriel on curved bracket with tiled pent roof. Ground floor west front is original rubble stone with 4-light casement and timber lintel, ground floor north side is rebuilt in 19th Century brick with cambered-head triple casement. Main range has 19th Century two-storey front of 2 first floor 16-pane sashes, one similar to ground floor centre, and plank door by crosswing in gabled tiled porch.

Interior: main range has heavy chamfered beams to compartmental ceiling. Crosswing ground floor has chamfered beams with bar stops. Main range has smoke blackened roof of former open-hall, floored in 16th Century, with crosswing rebuilt in 17th Century. Formerly known as End Farmhouse.

### Home Farmhouse, Close Lane

Farmhouse, 16th Century to 17th Century on earlier core, roof raised in 18th Century and crosswing extended forward in 19th Century. Timber-frame and painted brick with slate roofs, ridge and end stacks. Exposed square framing. Road front has brick projecting wing to left, 3 casement windows to first floor to right and one to ground floor. Rubble stone north end gable with coping to west side and east side raised. South end wall has outside stack and exposed framing to right. East front is continuously square framed 4 x 15 panels with rubble stone chimney wall at right end. Three triple casements each floor and door in 20th Century enclosed porch to right of centre. Interior: north end has large timber-lintel fireplace and 2 spine beams with stepped stops, extending across through passage. South end roof has 4-panel compartmental ceiling of deep-chamfered beams and north wall stone fireplace, originally moulded and Tudor-arched. One blade of a full cruck truss on west side. Possibly a former hall house, said to have smoke-blackening on roof timbers.

#### The Homestead, Plough Lane

House, 17th Century altered, timber-frame and painted brick with thatched roof, hipped at south west angle. North end stack. Two storeys. Front has long eyebrow over 2 casement pairs, that to right over exposed heavy timbers of former crosswing gable with angle-braced tie-beam. Ground floor casement pair. Ground floor to left has framed plank door in lean-to tiled porch, the lintel, probably reused from a staircase, dated IH 1721, and casement pair. Rubble stone chimney wall to left. Eyebrow to main range rear wall. Crosswing has half-hipped rear gable.

# Mansion Farm House, Close Lane

House, mid-18th Century, ashlar front, with red brick and ashlar dressings elsewhere. Bridgwater-tiled hipped eaves roof and rear stack. Basement and 2 storeys, 3-window small-scale tall-proportioned formal front. High ashlar basement with moulded plinth, 20th Century steps up to centre door in raised moulded surround with hood on scrolled brackets. Windows in raised moulded surrounds, 12-pane in each side, arched-headed to first floor centre with keystone. Moulded string and moulded eaves cornice. Centre bay slightly projected. Red brick end walls, north end with ashlar basement, plain band and moulded cornice. Twelve-pane window in raised moulded surround each floor. Simpler south end has brick basement and band and 2-light beaded mullion window each floor. Blocked door to left.

Interior: beaded fireplace to ground floor left. Dog leg stair with turned newel.

# Merrett's Roost, Norney Road

House, 17th Century, painted brick, probably replacing timber-frame, with half-hipped roof and ridge stack. 1½ storeys. Ground floor door with casement pair to left, triple casement and small triple casement to right. One first floor casement pair under eyebrow dormer. 20th Century lean-to on north end.

# Norney Bridge Cottage, Norney Road

House, 17th Century, timber-framed with hipped thatched roof and north end stack. Exposed framing. Two storeys, double-fronted with two casement pairs each floor and centre door. Single storey additions each end. Roof is carried lower to rear.

#### **Orchard View Cottage, Close Lane**

House, 17th Century possibly on earlier core, timber-framed and painted brick with thatched hipped roof and south end stack. Single storey and attic. Exposed framing. Front has eyebrow to left over blocked window. Ground floor casement pair, triple casement and rubble stone chimney wall to right with possible foot of a cruck truss revealed. Painted brick south end is probably an addition. Rear is rendered with centre gable and casement windows. Deeds said to go back to 1721.

#### The Plough, Plough Lane

House, formerly Inn, 17th Century, timber frame and painted brick with thatched half-hipped roof, ridge stack and end stacks. I½ storeys. Left end section is rubble stone below and brick above, then 3-window range with 3 triple casements under eyebrows above, over triple casement, plank door, casement pair, framed plank door and triple casement. Walling mostly brick, some framing exposed at right end, also to rear and on left end wall.

# Somreed, Plough Lane

House, late 18th Century, red brick, chequered on west end wall, with thatched roof, hipped to west, and east end stack. Two storeys, small scale with north front of 2 casement pairs over cambered-head casement pair and cambered-head doorway in 20th Century thatched porch. Casement pair on west end.

#### The Well House

House, 15th Century or 16th Century, timber-framed with hipped thatch roof and 2 ridge stacks. I½ storeys. Heavy framing with curved tension braces. To left, ground floor has door, triple casement and door with splayed jettying under eaves. Over window, timber-framed large gable with triple casement. To right, triple casement with casement pair in eyebrow above. Section beyond with casement pair and thin framing probably added. Exposed framing, with curved angle braces to north end wall.