

## Early Fabric in Historic Towns Project Southwell

### 29 – 31 King Street, Southwell, Nottinghamshire

**Grid Reference:** SK 7018 5404

**Initial Survey:** 13/02/2014

#### Listings:

English Heritage Building ID: 242389

Grade II

Date Listed: 11/08/1961

(amended 20/05/1992)

Nottinghamshire HER entry: 3.70.107

#### Maps:

According to the 1841 Tithe Map and Apportionment Book (plot 74) [1] this property was owned and occupied by Edward Simpson and is described as a house and garden.

#### Description of building:

This is a 3 storey double pile, two rooms deep building running parallel with King Street. The ridge line runs northeast to southwest and the northeast gable end facing onto Market Square. It now houses the town's laundrette.

The roof is gabled at both ends with 3 pot chimney stacks in both gable ends of the front and rear roofs, although the front roof has no pots in the more southerly end and only 2 in the more northerly one. There are slates on the front roof and pantiles on the rear. There are two rows of header bricks at the front and rear projecting by about 2 inches and these support the cast iron gutter. On the rear rain water head there is a date of 1841.

The bricks on all visible walls seem to be uniform in size and shape laid, in English bond style. On the front the bricks have been covered in a white colourwash with stone cladding to the shop front with a central door and single flanking windows and a fascia cornice on brackets covered with lead. There is a central blank window with a hung sash window either side on both floors. The first floor windows are 1 over 1 whilst those on the second floor are 4 over 8 and slightly shorter in height. There are stone sills and plane lintels with a central artificial key stone feature.

The rear wall is partly hidden by the addition of a slopping rear extension to a rear building of similar age. Two modern windows with a soldier arch of bricks are visible on the upper floor and one window with a rough brick segmental arch with tapered mortar joints. A similar window has been bricked up at the time of the addition of the rear extension.

On the rear gable there are two narrow windows on the first and second floor with rough brick segmental arches and a modern window with plane stone lintel on the ground floor at the front associated with the shop. There is a modern door with a plane stone lintel on the rear gable.

#### Interpretation:

This is possibly a late 18<sup>th</sup> or early 19<sup>th</sup> century building which has been modernised and altered as its use has changed. The building to the rear is 20<sup>th</sup> century.





Plate 1: The gable ends of the double pile 2 room deep unit, viewed looking north-west.



Plate 2: The rear wall partly obscured by the extension, viewed looking south-west.



Plate 3: The 1841 water trap on the rear wall, viewed looking south-west.



Plate 4: 1842 Tithe Map, plot 74

[1] Ref: Nottinghamshire County Council: Nottinghamshire Archive: AT123 1b/1c

