A three storey timber-framed building aligned NW-SE and with rendered façade and mix of 19th and 20th century windows mainly of vertical sliding sash style. Those to the first floor are of vertical proportion 3:3 and 2:2 with those to the second floor of square proportion 3:3 and curved 20th century window with small panes to ground floor.

The NW timber-framed wall is shared with No. 66 Church Street and is framed as an external wall to that property. It is noted that the rear wall plate of no. 66 has a scarf joint very close to the shared wall. Unfortunately the rear wall plate of No. 67 has been removed when a roof raise took place so

destroying any evidence that could prove that the two properties were connected.

The ground floor is wider than No. 66 and the axial beam, positioned to the front of the stack also has deep chamfers but the ends are undefined by chamfer stops and could be reused. Some of the flat section joists also appear to be re-used. This brings into question date of construction



which clearly has to be later than No. 66. A trimmer spans from the NW wall to the rear of the stack but joists to the rear section are covered. A winder stair placed against the NW side of the stack gives access to all floors. The cellar was not seen.

At first floor level the frame has been heightened in a mix of oak and pine in the 18th century with framing to the rear wall of pegged and un-pegged studs and also a partition added from stack to NW wall dividing the space. The rear wall has since been removed and the volume combined with the rear extension.



It was noted that the front room to the second storey is re-floored in wide oak boards.

Comment

The layout of the property is divided into front and rear rooms by the stack and winder stairs but this gives a rear room of minimal depth. The 18th century roof raise and partition keep this arrangement until the later removal of the rear



wall to extend into the rear extension. Dating the whole build of the property is difficult due to the re-use of timber and could even be as late as the 18th century.

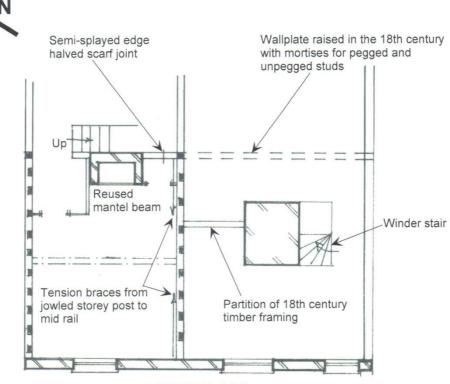


Timbers inserted for the roof raise

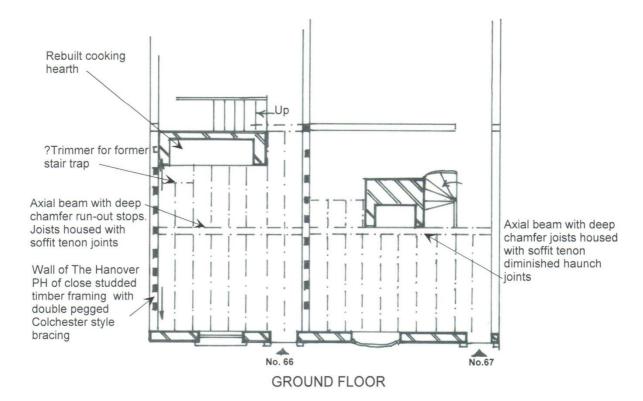


66 & 67 showing the high roof raise

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FIRST FLOOR



Church Street