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A FULLY REFURBISHED GRADE II LISTED TWO BEDROOMED COUNTRY COTTAGE. WORK ON THE COTTAGE HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT BY THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE BUILDING PRESERVATION TRUST LIMITED

The policy of the Notts Building Preservation Trust is to ensure the future of all Listed Buildings in the City and County which are of special architectural or historic interest. To assist in this, the County Council, the Trust and some District Councils maintain current lists of buildings under threat from either neglect or over-development.

The Trust carries out a number of moves to ensure that buildings at risk are properly restored and maintained, working with the Local Councils when possible.

The last resort is for the Trust to carry out a professional feasibility study of the building, in order to assess the cost of restoration and find a sustainable, on-going new use for the building.

Often, the very interest of the Trust in a listed building at risk has encouraged the owner, or developer, to take some action of his own to remedy the situation.

The latest successful venture of the Trust is the restoration of a listed property at Walkeringham in North Nottinghamshire.



Moor End Farm is a vernacular, lobby entrance building built in 1750, with a later extension to one gable. The interior of the cottage had been little altered over the years and had retained most of its original features.

Externally, the building was constructed in locally fired brick, with a clay pantile roof, coggled eaves and timbered coped gables.

The house and a suitable amount of garden space was generously donated to the Trust by the owner, Mrs Wright, who had retired to a newer property at the rear of the site. Her wish was that the house should be restored and brought back into use as a dwelling with modern facilities but retaining its historic character.

The restoration work has been carried out by the family firm of builders C G Rhodes & Sons Limited, under the supervision of architect, Alan Wahlers.

Two of the original fireplaces with brick hearths have been retained and are prominent features of the Living Room and Kitchen. The walk-in larder has been converted to a Utility Room.



Some interesting timber framing and roofing timbers have been retained and featured in the first floor space.

The later extension on the North gable of the cottage contains some original timber framing of earlier date than the cottage itself, suggesting that this was an earlier dwelling preceding the 1750 build. This building has now been restored as a Workshop and Garage.

The cottage now has a full gas-fired central heating system and a fitted kitchen and bathroom but the historic character of the 18th century building has been carefully retained.

Proposed Workshop/Garage



The Notts Building Preservation Trust has a shortlist of Buildings at Risk which is receiving attention at a variety of levels.

If you know of a building at risk, you are invited to let the Trust know about it.

The Trust also needs new members, especially younger members, who can either be active or passive, so that the work can be extended and continued.