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HARRY JOHNSON AWARD *****

The Harry Johnson Award is made annually, by the Notts Building Preservation Trust and the Council for the Protection of Rural England, to the best new building, or the best restoration of an old building, within a village setting.

The number of entries, mostly submitted by Parish Councils, increases each year and each entry continues to be of exceptionally high standard.

The judges, drawn from both organisations, were given the impossible task of choosing a winner and have now announced their decision.

Two main Awards have been made; one for a new building and one for a major restoration and conversion. The judges also gave two Commendations and suggested that letters of congratulation be sent to other worthy submissions.

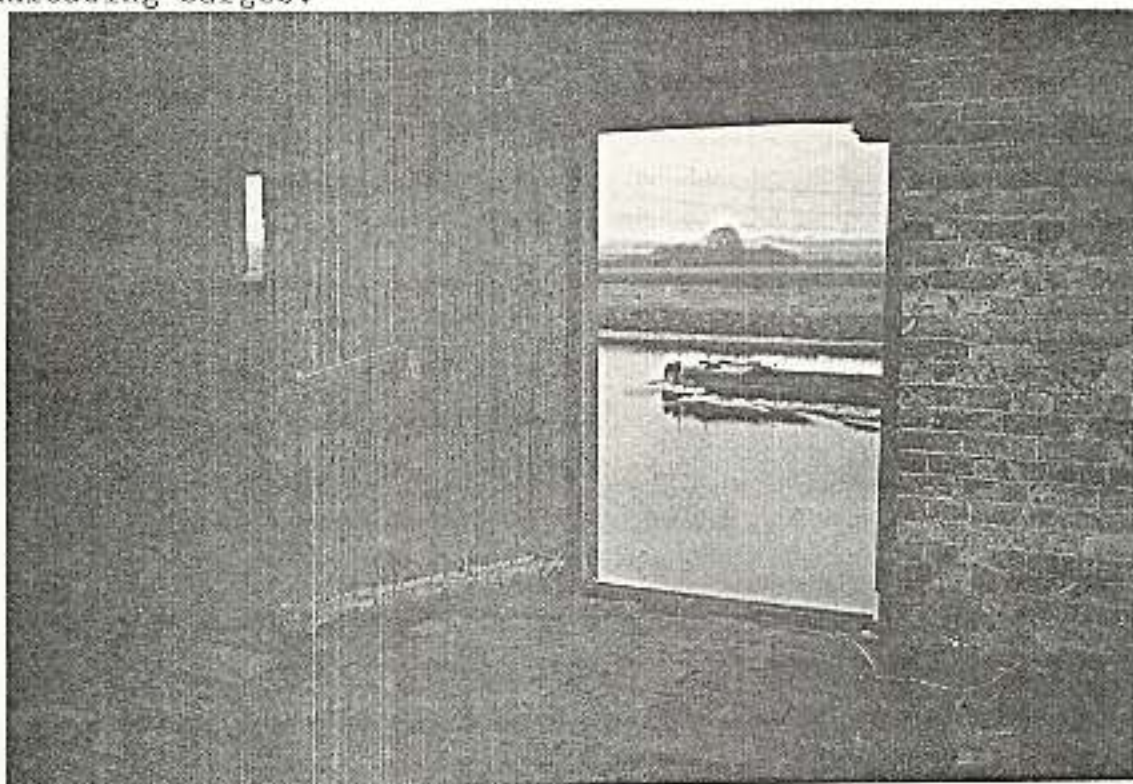
The main winners are:

1. Conversion of Malt Store to Dwelling
'Frog's Leap', Church Laneham
2. Women's Institute Building
Butt Field, East Bridgford

Commendations were made to:

1. Restoration and Repairs
Wysall Manor House, Wysall
2. Repairs and Improvements
Manor Cottages, The Green, Car Colston

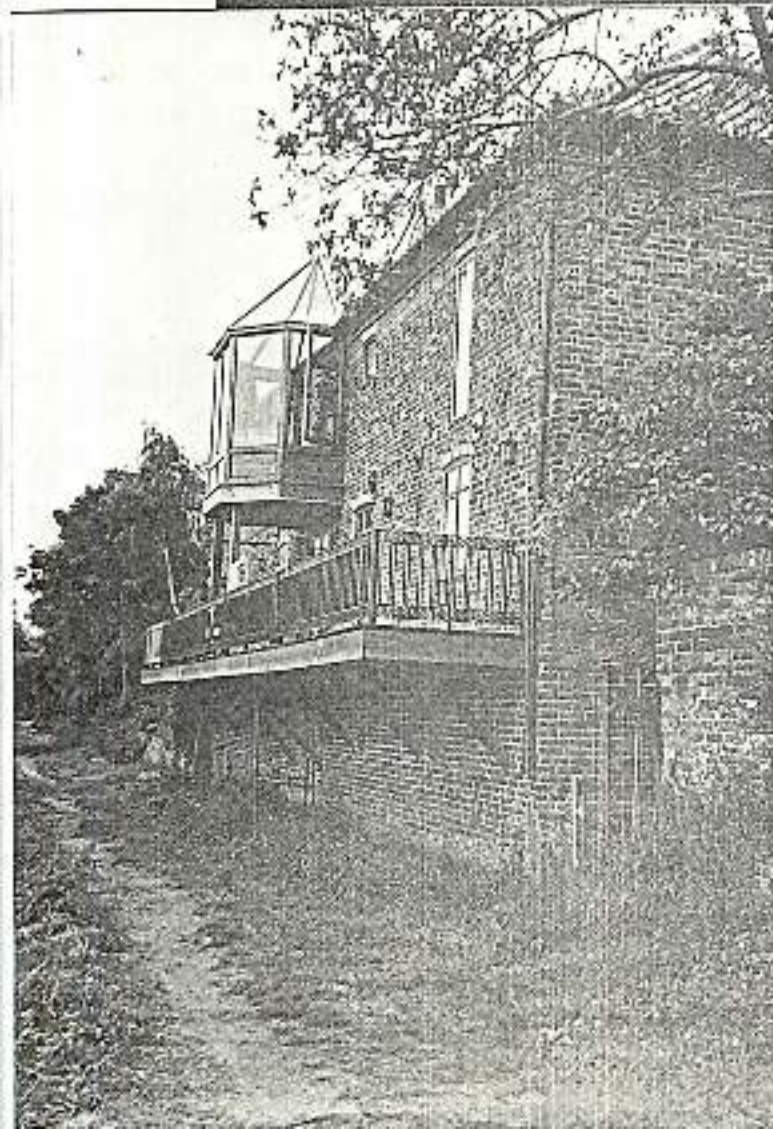
The Malt Storage building, immediately adjacent to the River Trent at Church Laneham, was a two-storey storage building built around 1920, with a hoist at first floor level for unloading barges.



The building housed prisoners of war during the Great War and was latterly in a run-down condition and used as a temporary chicken house.

The building was taken over by Mr. Chris Barber who lived next door and he has converted it into a dwelling of exceptional quality whilst retaining and, in fact, enhancing its character.

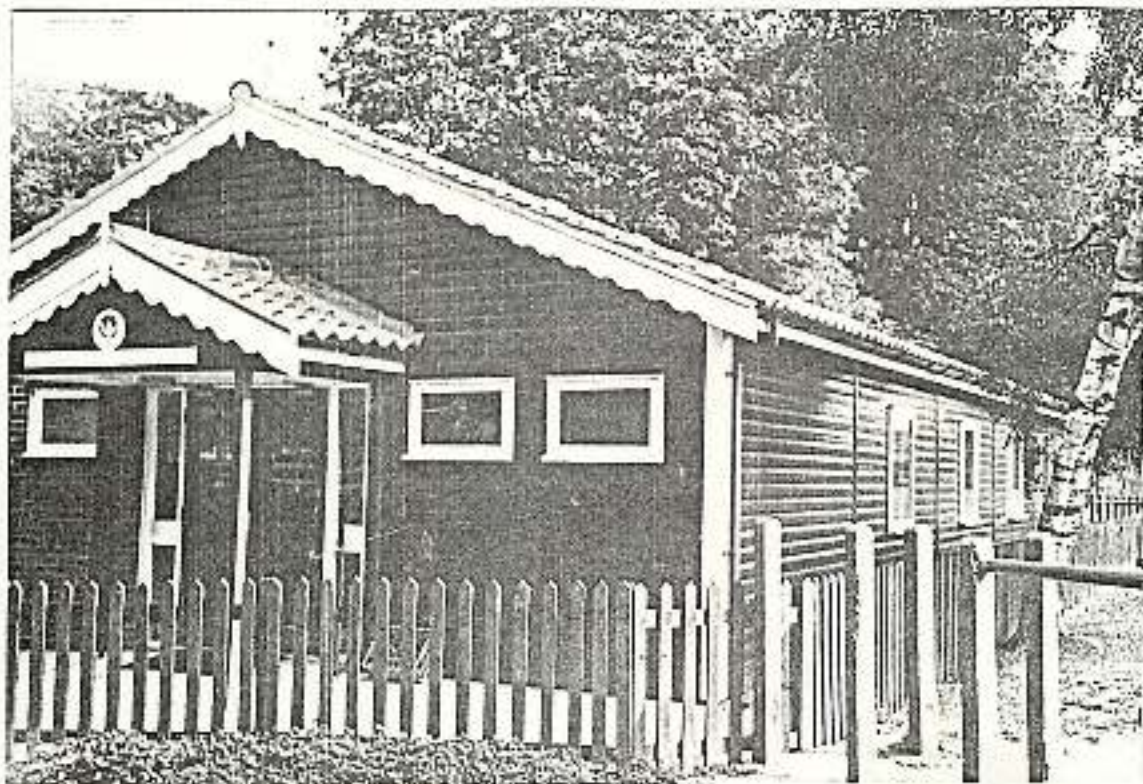
The whole concept was that of Chris Barber who took advice from Conservation Officers of the District and County and he also carried out a lot of the work himself.



The judges were amazed at the transformation that has taken place in this building and were particularly impressed by the way the roof trusses have been exposed and expressed in the inside spaces. The use of other reclaimed timber and materials was also much admired. 'Frog's Leap' is a very worthy winner of the Harry Johnson Award.

The Women's Institute Building at East Bridgford is a new building, replacing a World War One hut, previously used for the purpose. The new building is well designed and fits into its setting beside the Butt Field. There seems to be a dearth of good new buildings within villages and this building sets a good precedent for future developments.

The architect for this project was D.C. Meylan of East Bridgford.



COMMENDATIONS

Wysall Manor House

The restoration of this building has revealed a core of early 16th century timber framing, with a three-storey extension of about 1600 and a link block of later date.

A derelict house has been superbly researched and restored, by Chris Miners of Tewkesbury an expert architect in this field, to produce a superb example of timber frame restoration.

Manor Cottages, Car Colston

This is a row of cottages in the corner of The Green, in which the timber framing of the original building had been covered by brickwork and rendering.

The range has been extensively repaired and improved, to produce two dwellings in which the original timber framing has been exposed and expressed, both internally and externally.

The architect was Allan Mulcahy of the Lace Market, Nottingham and the historic buildings consultant was Chris Miners.