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**Heritage Statement**

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1A Northaw Road West  
Northaw  
Potters Bar  
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**Heritage statement:**

Number 1A Northaw Road West is a detached modern building of brick and tiles sitting within the conservation area of Northaw.

On-line searches have failed to reveal any planning history for this site. Further enquiries made to the Planning Department at Welling and Hatfield Council have also failed to identify any planning records pre 2002.

The following statement has therefore been based on what is available through web-based resources.

As the building in question is not listed and Local Authority records incomplete, the information available is limited.

From historic map searches the site was part of an area that once formed a large meadow with trees to the eastern side and a pond along the northern boundary Ref map 1, 1886.

By 1912 ref map 2, the Late Victorian house, now known as The White House, has been built on the adjacent land to the east.

To the west of the meadow sat the Two Brewers a grade two listed building, listing date 1983.

As late as 1949 the site still appears to be open land. Sometime between this date and the construction of number 1a the former meadow appears to have been divided in two, the western portion becoming what is now the main car parking area for the Two Brewers Public House and the remaining section 1a Northaw Road West.

1a Northaw Road West would appear to have been built around the 1970/80's.

It is highly likely that the construction date will be found to have coincided with the division of the land.

As part of the construction works, the strip of land appears to have been levelled and the former pond filled in.

As a consequence of the levelling, the majority of the site now sits approximately 1m to 1.5m below the level of the adjacent tarmac car park of the Two Brewers.

A modern retaining wall with through piers has been constructed along the west elevation of the new build with a further 100mm wide screening wall with half piers forming the remaining boundary to the north. The screening wall, constructed of a wide selection of differing brick types topped with timber screening panels bolted to the wall has recently been lost to storm damage.

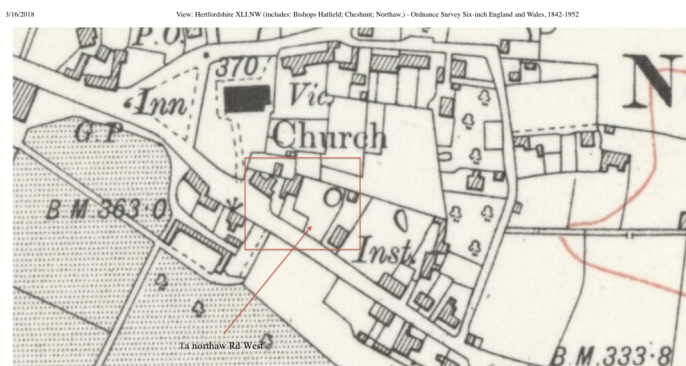
Site inspection of the boundary wall suggest that the majority, if not all of the boundary wall is of recent construction i.e. built in the last 30 to 40 years and with reference to historic maps clearly post 1949.

The proposals contained within the accompanying application are designed solely to reinstate the now missing section of boundary divided between Number 1a and the Two Brewers Public House.

The damaged portion of wall and the remaining brick retaining section of the boundary, both from construction style materials and archive research, would appear to be linked solely with the more recent erection of number 1a Northaw Road West and be of no historical value or interest.



Ref Map 1, 1886



Ref map 2 1912



Ref Map 3 1949