

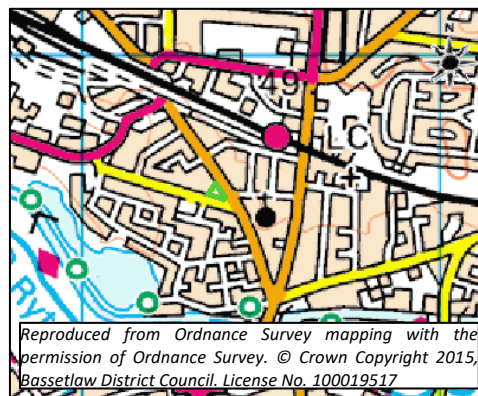
Unregistered Park & Garden:
Sandy Lane Garden (Worksop)

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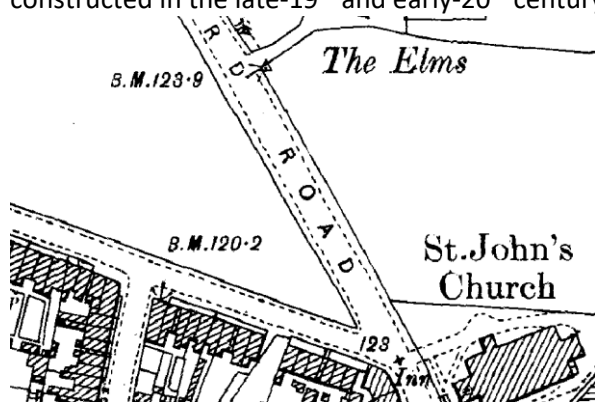
Date(s):
 1951

Description & historic information:

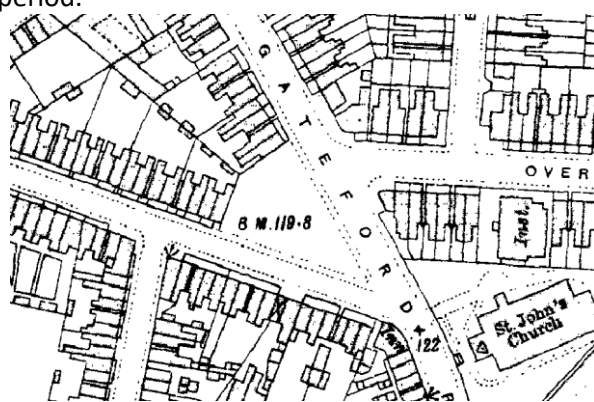
Rest garden, opened 7th July 1951ⁱ, designed by Worksop Borough Council Parks' Superintendent Charles Haslehurst.



The garden site was previously undeveloped land, left over after the adjacent terraces were constructed in the late-19th and early-20th century period.



1898 Ordnance Survey map, showing undeveloped site.



1920 Ordnance Survey map, showing surrounding terraces.

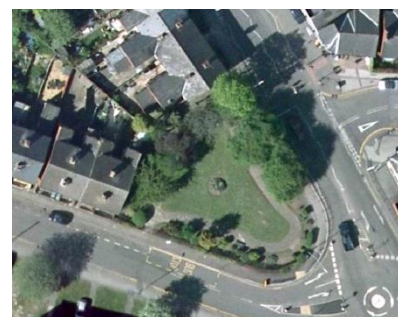
In early-1951, the owner of the site, the Worksop & Retford Brewery Company Ltd, provided the land to the Borough Council for the creation of a small rest gardenⁱⁱ. The garden was designed by Worksop Borough Council Parks' Superintendent, Charles Haslehurst (who was also responsible for the formation of the Haslehurst Garden adjacent in 1957, the Shippside Memorial Garden in 1952, the Memorial Avenue Gardens of 1933 and 1938 and the numerous changes to the Canch Recreation Ground in the 1930s-1950s period). Haslehurst was assisted by the Borough Council Engineer, Charles Allsoppⁱⁱⁱ.



1959 Ordnance Survey map, showing garden layout.



Aerial photograph of Sandy Lane Garden, taken 1985 (source: Bassetlaw District Council).



Aerial photograph of Sandy Lane Garden, taken 2007 (source: Bassetlaw District Council).

The site comprises a rest garden set on a flat piece of triangular-shaped ground at the junction of Sandy Lane and Gateford Road. The layout comprises a walkway around the outside of the garden, flanked by planting beds, all surrounding a lawn. The centre of the site contains a small rockery – originally this contained a yucca plant^{iv}, very usual in the 1950s. The walkways are formed with

crazy-paving (of a combination of stone and concrete) – the use of crazy-paving was a common feature of Haslehurst's gardens found elsewhere in the town.



View of site alongside Sandy Lane (source: Google Maps, September 2014).



View of site from south west entrance.



Rock feature in centre of site.



View of site from north entrance.

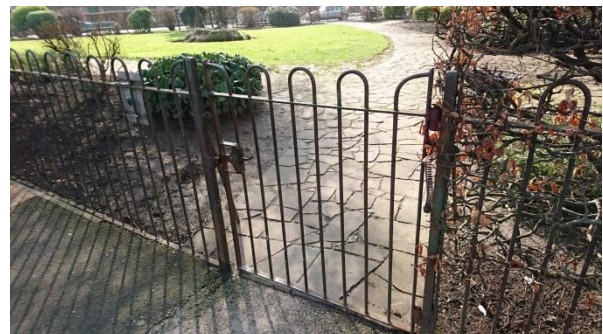


View of site from south east corner.

The south and east/north east boundaries of the site are formed with bow top railings and beech hedges – these survive from the original 1951 design. The use of beech is common in public gardens, being easy to grow but providing a range of colours through the year. The site is accessed by small bow top gates at the south west and north east corners.



South boundary adjacent to Sandy Lane.



Bow top railings and gates off Gateford Road.

Mature trees are placed alongside the gable-ends of the adjoining houses and along part of Gateford Road – those adjacent to the houses were intentionally positioned by Mr Haslehurst, to help hide the buildings from view^v.



View of trees adjacent to neighbouring houses.



View of trees adjacent to Gateford Road.

The garden was officially opened on the 7th July 1951 by Captain W. H. Allen (Chairman of Directors at the Worksop & Retford Brewery Company Ltd.). A dedication was also given by the Reverend J.R.J. Kerraish, Vicar of St Johns' Church.

Features of significance:

Small rest garden at the junction of Gateford Road and Sandy Lane, designed by Worksop Borough Council Parks' Superintendent Charles Haslehurst. Includes crazy-paving footways with lawns and planting beds. Bow top railings and beech hedges around boundary with bow top entrance gates at south west and north ends. Rockery in centre of garden (originally containing a yucca plant). Trees along north and west boundaries. Site contributes to the setting of the nearby St John's Church (grade II listed).



St John's Church on opposite side of Gateford Road.



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| Listed Buildings: | n/a (although is in the setting of St John's Church, grade II) |
| Scheduled Ancient Monuments: | n/a |
| Conservation Area: | n/a |
| Local Interest Buildings: | n/a |

