## **Unregistered Park & Garden:** Serlby Hall

NCC/BDC Ref: UPG49

Date(s):

Medieval, c1740, c1800-1810, 1812, c1906

## **Description & historic information:**

Landscaped park associated with Serlby Hall, with

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earlier landscape features. The park is located between the River Ryton to the west and 'Roman Bank', a medieval land boundary, to the east. Little is known about the site prior to the early-18<sup>th</sup> century, although the pre-Georgian hall was probably sited to the north east of the present hall.

In 1725, John Monckton (the 1<sup>st</sup> Lord Galway) purchased Serlby Hall<sup>i</sup> and in 1740, began remodelling



1835 Sanderson's Map (Nottinghamshire County Serlby Hall, c1920 (Source: Bassetlaw Museum) Council, 2003)

the park, including formal rides, avenues, a west-toeast canal to the north of the hall and numerous beech trees throughout the park<sup>ii</sup>. He also laid foundations for a replacement hall, although it was never built. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Viscount Galway built the replacement hall, although not to the earlier plan, instead it was designed in c1756 by James Paine and 1771<sup>iii</sup>. was completed before Numerous outbuildings including stables, tennis pavilion and kitchen garden all date to this period.



Serlby Hall, c1790 (Source: Nottingham University)

The 4<sup>th</sup> Viscount Galway had the park remodelled in c1804, designed by John Webb<sup>iv</sup> (former partner of William Emes), with the canal reformed into a 'naturalistic' lake, various tree clumps planted/formed and a number of lodges added. The 5<sup>th</sup> Viscount Galway remodelled the house in 1812, designed by Lindley & Woodhead (of Doncaster)<sup>v</sup>.





In the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century, kennels were constructed to the east of the laundry house for Lord Galway's hunt hounds. In the late-19<sup>th</sup> century, new kennels were built to the north. The 7<sup>th</sup> Viscount Galway had golf course added in c1906, designed by professional golfer Tom Williamson (of Hollinwell)<sup>vi</sup>.

## Features of significance:

Large park with wide range of buildings and landscape features; Earliest feature probably the 'Roman Bank' (medieval in date); Serlby Hall (grade I); range of outbuildings including stables, walls and other garden features, all listed (grade II); other unlisted buildings regarded as non-designated heritage assets; lodges along entrances, mostly grade II listed; wooded plantations (including large wood to west of hall), naturalistic lake to north of house, tree-lined roadways including a beech avenue, large south lawn, specimen trees, duck decoy, c1906 golf course, large 20<sup>th</sup> century lakes.



Serlby Hall and parkland (Source: www.geograph.co.uk)

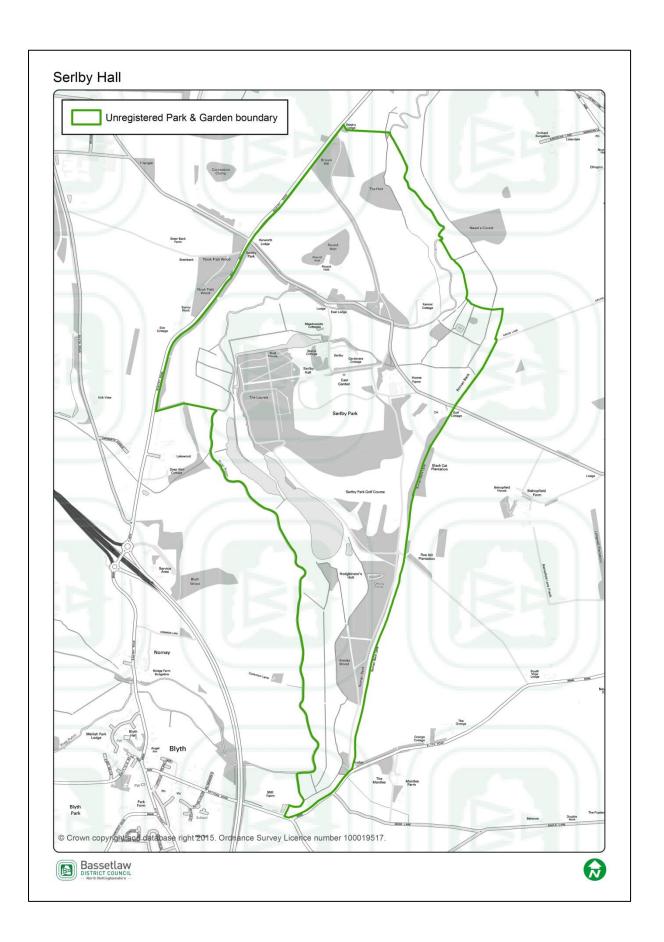


Bawtry Lodge, Bawtry Road



Aerial photograph of Serlby, taken 2007 (source: Bassetlaw District Council)

Listed Buildings:	Serlby Hall (grade I); Ice House (grade II); Tennis Pavilion (grade II); Garden Seat (grade II); Boat House (grade II); The Theatre (grade II); Pigeoncote (grade II); Stable Block (grade II); Reeves (Meadowside) Cottages (grade II); Bridge south of Reeves Cottage (grade II); Bridge over River Ryton x 2 (both grade II); Bridge (east of Gardeners Cottage) (grade II); The Laundry (grade II); Arch (grade II*); East Lodge (grade II); South Lodge (grade II); Bawtry Lodge (grade II); Harworth Lodge (grade II)
Scheduled Ancient Monuments:	n/a
Conservation Area:	n/a
Local Interest Buildings:	West Lodge; East Cottage; Phoenix Lodge; Home Farm; Kennel Cottage; Round Holt



Additional information on this site may be found on the <u>Historic Environment Record</u> held and maintained by Nottinghamshire County Council.

## **References:**

<sup>i</sup> L. Jacks; *The Great Houses of Nottinghamshire and the County Families*; 1881.

<sup>ii</sup> M. Craven (Derby Museum); *Serlby Hall, Nottinghamshire – A Brief Account* (unpublished work); 1991; p1.

- <sup>iii</sup> M. Craven (Derby Museum); Serlby Hall, Nottinghamshire A Brief Account (unpublished work); 1991; p1.
- <sup>iv</sup> M. Craven (Derby Museum); *Serlby Hall, Nottinghamshire A Brief Account* (unpublished work); 1991; p5.
- <sup>v</sup> Historic England (list description): <u>http://www.historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1045126</u>.

<sup>vi</sup> Serlby Park Golf Club website: <u>www.serlbyparkgolfclub.co.uk/</u>.