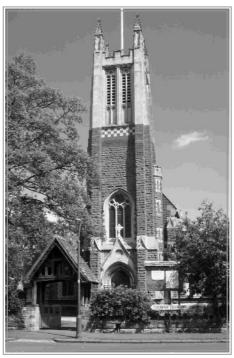
A short walk through the St. Agnes Moseley Conservation Area (No.22)

The St Agnes Conservation Area was designated as such on 25 June 1987 in appreciation of the unique nature and high quality of the late Victorian, Edwardian and other buildings including many in the 'Arts and Crafts' style. The boundaries of the conservation area are indicated on the map (pages 6 and 7) and the route is outlined.

The walk starts at St Agnes Church (grade II listed), the first building (1883-4) on the estate which had previously been part of the grounds of a large house on the corner of Wake Green Road and Billesley Lane belonging to a solicitor Mr Francis Willmot. The idea for a new church to provide for the increasing population of Moseley originated with Rev.WH Colmore vicar of St Mary's, the parish church. The island on which St Agnes is situated is named Colmore Crescent, and Agnes was the name of Mrs Colmore. The church was built in stages as funds became available



for its completion. The first stage (1883-4) designed by W Davis, comprised the chancel, the transept and part of the nave. The second stage completing the nave and the lower part of the tower was consecrated in 1893. The upper part of the tower was added as recently as 1932 to a design by CE Bateman.

1 Colmore Crescent, 1916. Owen P Parsons. 'Ashley Lodge' (formerly 'Tudor Lodge') Grade II listed. The house contains a variety of styles suggesting an old English manor house. High quality materials with Birmingham Arts and Crafts detailing. Long term use as a residential home.





44 St Agnes Road 1906 George Edward Pepper, 'Llanherne'.

Pepper was a pupil of the Birmingham architects Crouch and Butler, and as such was a follower of the Arts and Crafts movement. However he frequently combined several styles into his houses. This tower house incorporates half-timbering.

50 St Agnes Road 1909 George McMichael

Originally had leaded lights which helped to create the impression of a Queen Anne style house, but with central chimney stack of an earlier period





130 Oxford Road, 1907. Owen P Parsons Originally 'Maxstoke' Grade II listed.

Arts and Crafts. Original front garden layout, clipped yews and timber post and lintel gateway.

128 a-d Oxford Road, 1923 Marcus O.Type Complex house now divided into separate dwellings. Built for Dr Frederick Lanchester, an extraordinarily inventive engineer who founded the motor company which bore his name. The grander cars in the



range rivalled Rolls-Royce and Bentley in their magnificence.





110-112 Oxford Road 1907. Willoughby De Lacy Aherne. Grade II, and also listed Grade II front walls and four gate piers. An unusual pair showing Arts and Crafts details with identical plan and build but with subtle variation of composition. The linked ga-



bled garages at the rear and the front walls are integral to the whole design.



Street scene in Cotton Lane. Houses designed by Ewen Harper and Brother, and GE Pepper

40 Wake Green Road 1911. Owen P Parsons 'Kingsthorpe' Grade II listed.

Mix of materials in the Arts and Crafts style. Note the tall chimneys and asymmetrical bays.





Street scene in Wake Green Road showing group of Arts and Crafts Houses between Cotton Lane and St Agnes Road.

50 Wake Green Road 1907 GE Pepper, 'Broxtowe'. Grade II listed. Brick with stone dressing and a steep tiled roof. This is a building rich in inventive detail including the porch, attractive bay window and leaded lights.

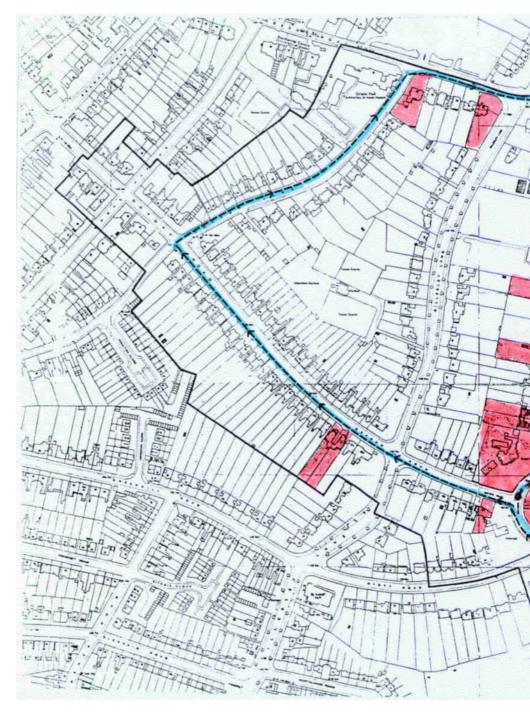


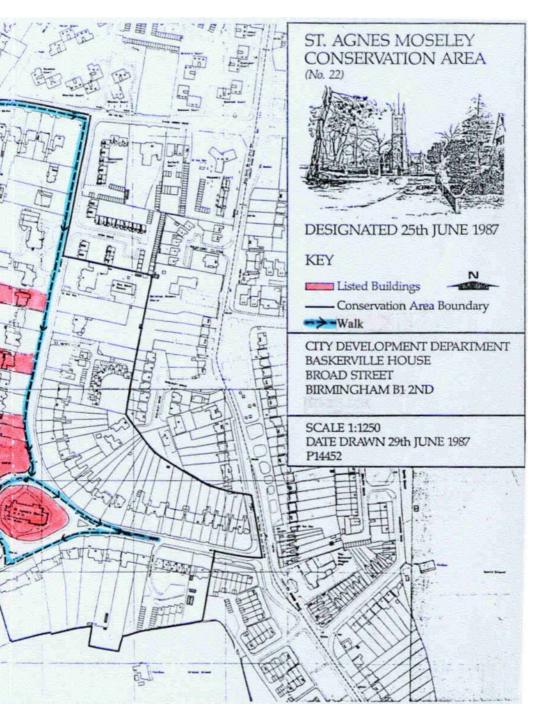


5 St Agnes Road.1899. Possibly by Ewen Harper. 'Hilver'.

The design of this substantial building is strongly influenced by the 'Old English Style' favoured by Richard Norman Shaw, with external timbers, and incorporating

terracotta details. It was built for Harry Lucas, son of Joseph Lucas a pioneer in cycle and auto illumination and electrics.





9 St Agnes Road. 1906. W De Lacy Aherne. 'Whitecroft'. Grade II listed. Arts and Crafts house behind a swept drive, displaying roughcast and timber framing with chequerboard patterning. Green slate roof.





12 St Agnes Road 1913 Marcus O Type ,Maple Dene The date and name of the house appear in the stonework over the entrance. Features include decorative and coloured brickwork.

15 St Agnes Road. 1904. Anthony Rowse. Grade II listed. 'West Hooe'. Early brick built Arts and Crafts of distinctive Birmingham design.



25 and 27 St Agnes Road. W. Alexander Harvey. Grade II listed. 'The Moorings' and

'Homestead'.

Arts and Crafts semi-detached pair of symmetrical composition. No. 25 severely damaged during World War II but repairs were supervised by Harvey himself between 1945-7.



Properties in St Agnes Conservation Area, their architects, commissioners and dates

St Agnes Church	By W Davis in two phases	18883-4 &
Colmore Crescent, St Agnes Tower	By C E Bateman	1892-3 1931
32& 34 St Agnes Road	Built by Robert Hughes	1904
44 St Agnes Road	By G E Pepper for V J Hood	1906
46 & 48 St Agnes Road	Built by Robert Hughes	1904
50 St Agnes Road	By G McMichael for J M James	1909
52-58 St Agnes Road	By E F Titley for F Davis	1908
60 St Agnes Road	Built by J Moffat & Sons for C E Barker	1911
62-68 St Agnes Road	By W DeLacy Aherne for Assinder & Horton	1908
1, Colmore Crescent, "Tudor Lodge"	By Owen P Parsons for F Fawcett	1916
41 Dyott Road	By W DeLacy Aherne for H Gibbs	1900
39 Dyott Road	By W DeLacy Aherne for T F Ash	1902
37 Dyott Road	By J G Dunn for W H Johnson	1902
22 Dyott Road	By R Satchwell for Miss W M Maund	1911
24 Dyott Road	By R Satchwell for Mrs C White	1911
26 & 28 Dyott Road	By L L Dussault for F Biddle	1910
30 Dyott Road	By James & Lister Lea & Sons for G Lanchester	1910
5 Colmore Crescent, St Agnes Vicarage	By C E Bateman	1923
130 Oxford Road	By Owen P Parsons for J Bowker	1907
128 Oxford Road	For C Ayrton	1912
128a-d Oxford Road	By Marcus O Type for Dr F W Lanchester	1923
141 Oxford Road	By F S Wigley for S H J Clarke	1912

114 & 116 Oxford Road	By Arthur Harrison for W Adams	1907
110 & 112 Oxford Road	By W DeLacy Aherne for Urwin & Fisher	1907
102-108 Oxford Road	By W DeLacy Aherne for Urwin & Fisher	1906
113-119 Oxford Road	By W DeLacy Aherne for Urwin & Fisher	1904
109 & 111 Oxford Road	By Daniel & Berrill for L Berrill	1905
105 & 107 Oxford Road	By Daniel & Berrill for T H Daniel	1905
90 & 92 Oxford Road	By W DeLacy Aherne for Urwin & Fisher	1905
88 Oxford Road	By T Skelcher for A Wilson	1905
101 & 103 Oxford Road	By J Brewin Holmes for T Taylor	1907
97 & 99 Oxford Road	By A Freeman Smith for A Wills	1904
81-95 Oxford Road	By J Brewin Holmes for T Taylor	1905
73-79 Oxford Road	By J Brewin Holmes for T Taylor	1906
71 Oxford Road	By J Brewin Holmes for T Taylor	1906
69 Oxford Road	By J Brewin Holmes for T Taylor	1906
50 Cotton Lane	By J Brewin Holmes	1909
63 & 65 Oxford Road	By Ewen & Alfred Harper for M F Purser	1899
56 Oxford Road	By Ewen Harper & Brother for M F Purser	1904
58 Cotton Lane	By Daniel & Berrill	1906
59-65 Cotton Lane	By W DeLacy Aherne for F Davis	1903
67 Cotton Lane	By W DeLacy Aherne for F W Blake	1899
69 Cotton Lane	By Ewen Harper & Brother for J Heaven	1905
76 Cotton Lane	By Ewen Harper & Brother for J W Bowker	1913

78 Cotton Lane	By G E Pepper for W C Evans	1906
80 Cotton Lane	By G E Pepper for A Crane	1904
82 Cotton Lane	By H Simmonds	1901
84 Cotton Lane "Sesame"	By Cox & Silk for C Silk	1899
86 Cotton Lane "Holmwood"	By G E Pepper for H H Hood	1908
40 Wake Green Road "Kingsthorpe"	By Owen F Parsons for F S Banks	1911
48 Wake Green Road "The Croft"	By G E Pepper for F J Pepper	1907
50 Wake Green Road "Broxtowe"	By G E Pepper for A N Gosling	1907
5 St Agnes Road "Hilver"	For J Lucas	1900
8 St Agnes Road "Heathercourt"	By Owen & Ward for G W Holt	1897
7 St Agnes Road "Ardwell"	By Arthur Harrison for H Morton	1903
9 St Agnes Road "Whitecroft"	By W DeLacy Aherne for W B Incledon	1906
12 St Agnes Road "Mapledene"	By Marcus O Type for W H Garbett	1904
11 St Agnes Road "Sesame"	By Cox & Silk for C Silk	1904
13 St Agnes Road "Eastcote"	By W DeLacy Aherne for himself	1900
15 St Agnes Road "West Hooe"	By Anthony Rowse for T F Rowse	1904
18 St Agnes Road	By H H Reynolds for W Coley	1904
17 & 19 St Agnes Road	By J Brewin Holmes for H H Hood	1904
20-30 St Agnes Road	By F Urry for H Taylor	1904
21 & 23 St Agnes Road	By J Brewin Holmes for Goodison & Bonehill	1905
25 & 27 St Agnes Road	By W Alexander Harvey for E J Organ	1905

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