

HERITAGE AND CONSERVATION AREA STATEMENT

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“New Extension to replace former police cell

at:

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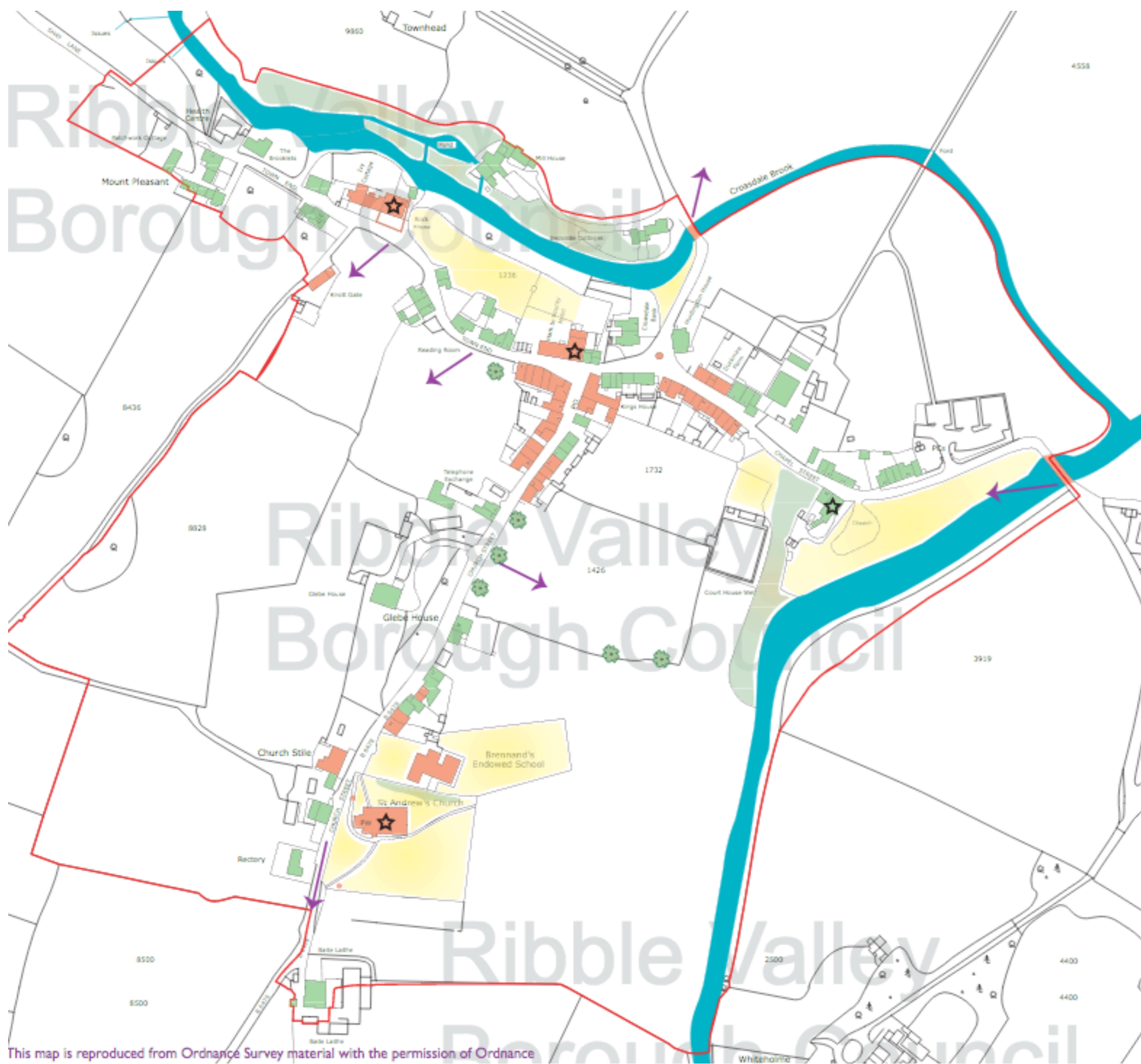
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HERITAGE ASSESSMENT AND CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL

The site lies within the Slaidburn Conservation area which encompasses the settlement. The map below shows the extent of the Slaidburn Conservation Area.



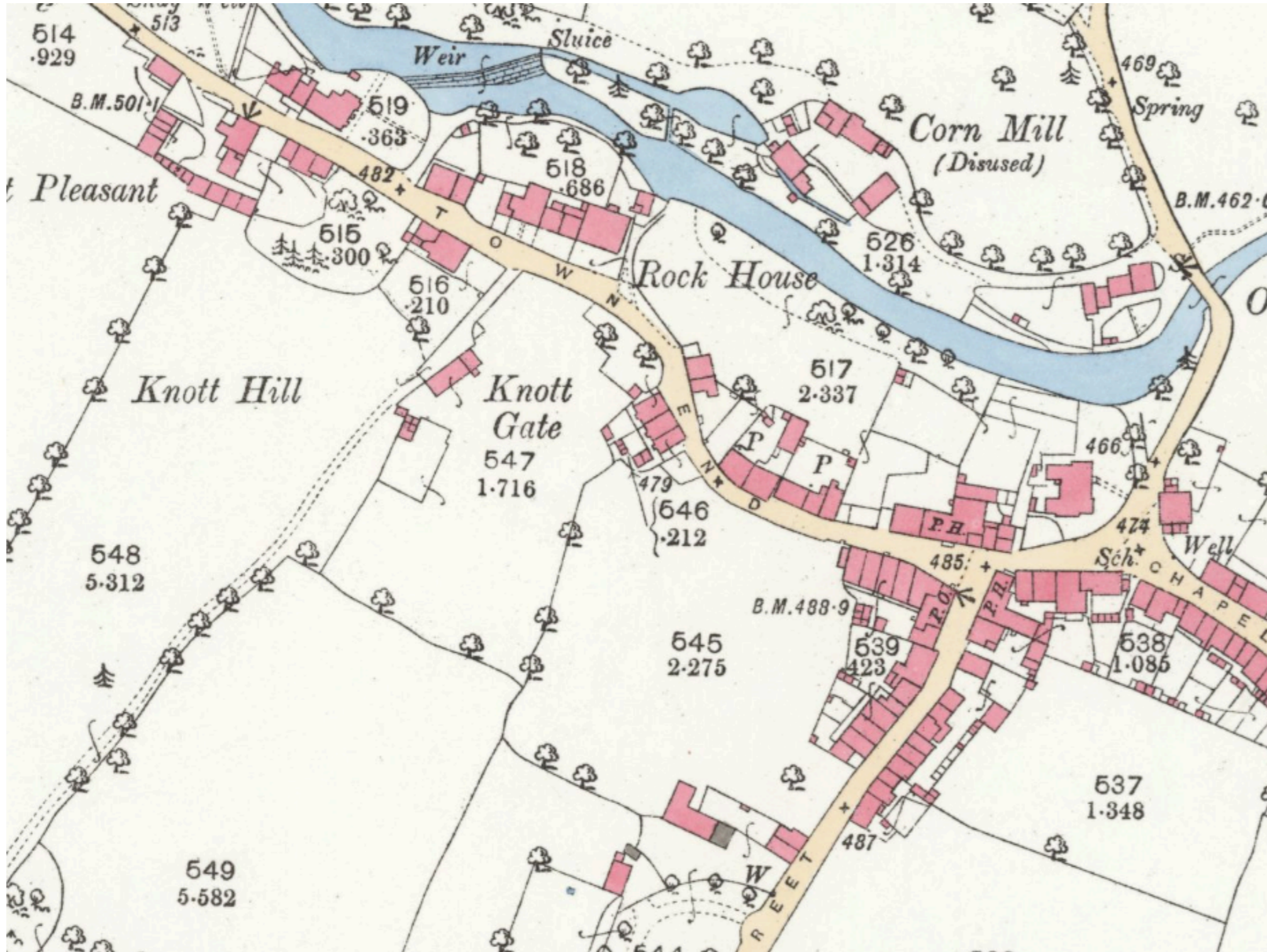
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Slaidburn is a small village, which hosts a number of listed and historical buildings that follow a traditional development pattern for a rural agricultural village.

Number 15 appears on all of the Ordnance Survey maps that are publicly available back to the 1845 map, with the building demarked into three individual dwellings in the later 1894 map. The former police cell is not shown within any of these maps, though in the more recent maps a building separate from the terraces is present.



1847 OS map



1894 OS map.

EXISTING POLICE CELL

The existing police cell is of a stone construction using stone of a similar colour as the surrounding buildings. However it is important to note that unlike the surrounding buildings, the walls are constructed of a random dressed stone rather than just random coursed, with the internal face being cinder block or a similar modern block. The building has a flat roof construction consisting of a cast in-situ concrete roof with felt to the roof. The foundations are also of a modern concrete construction which is failing.

This indicates the building is of a more recent construction, of the mid 20th century and therefore does not have any particular historical significance.



Internal image of the concrete roof and cinder block walls.

NEW PROPOSALS

The new proposals will reduce the visual impact of the police cell through the reduction in the footprint of the design. The more traditional lean-to design will also allow it to be more in keeping with the surrounding buildings, with the use of traditional materials on both the walls and roof being more in keeping with the overall design.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion we believe that the current building does not present any value to the conservation area and that our proposal will be a net gain to Slaidburn.