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Subject: Planning application 3/2021/0861 – Loud River Barn, Clough Lane, Thornley. PR3 2TP
Proposed replacement boundary treatment along the south-western access point to Clough Lane
replacing a timber fence with a stone wall.

To: Planning Officer Ben Taylor

The plans submitted for the new retaining and planter walls on the left side of the entrance gate to Loud River Barn do not detail the type of mortaring (jointing) and copings/cappings. All the walls in the immediate vicinity have been mortared to give the appearance of a random dry-stone wall, i.e. the mortar/jointing is heavily recessed. It is hoped that the Planning Department will specify that these two new walls are finished using the same method (see attached photos for jointing detail: (1) showing previous planter wall to the left side of the entrance gate and (2) existing walls to the right of the entrance gate). As these walls are visible at the same time continuity of facing finish is aesthetically important.

Loud River Barn is in the AONB; therefore, Permitted Development Rights (PDR) were withdrawn from this conversion so that future development ordinarily allowed under PDR could be scrutinised by the Planning Department. This was done to conserve the authenticity of the building and its surroundings. To this end, we consider that a condition be applied to any consent with respect to mortaring, jointing, copings and cappings.

Clough Lane is a public footpath and narrow farm track which is the only access to a cluster of four stone houses. The approach to this hamlet is rural, marked by random dry-stone walls surrounded by fields. Any change on the boundary to the lane has an effect on the character of this location.

Regards,



2. Site Analysis - Site Photographs

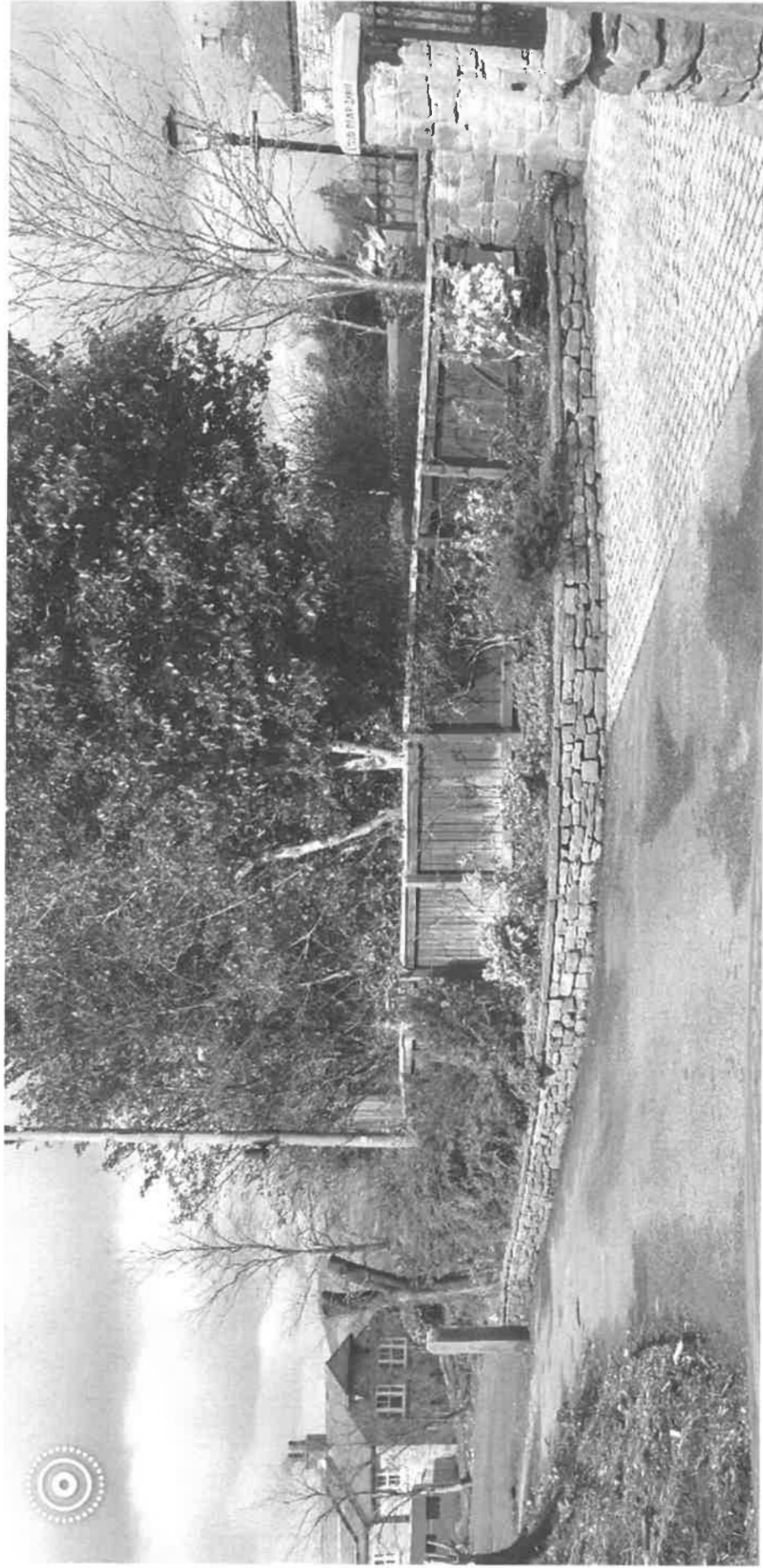


Fig 2 – Previous boundary fence configuration



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