

CONSERVATION AREAS IN THE COUNTY OF BRIDGEND

MERTHYR MAWR ROAD

Designated: 14th October 1980

Special Architectural and Historic Interest

The Conservation Area is enclosed by the Ogmore River, inner by-pass and Nolton Street. There is a strong village quality created by large detached buildings on its northern and western side and small terraced cottages on its eastern side, laid out in an informal pattern quite distinctly separated from each other. A certain inherent quality has been created by its non-planned layout of lane-like winding streets and footpaths serving the cottages.

St. Mary Nolton Church with its tower and prominent spire, the accompanying churchyard, church hall, rectory, St. John's Priory, and open spaces comprise the focal point of the area. The present church is the third built here, the main structure being completed in 1887 and the spire in 1898. An earlier nineteenth century chapel which replaced a small medieval structure, situated in the churchyard was demolished after fifty years use. A builders yard, office and a furniture store with adjacent car park are situated along the eastern boundary.

The old Bridgend and District Hospital, now in use as a computer centre, is reputedly built on the site of an old castle, evidence of which has yet to be proved.

Character and Appearance

Slate roofs, double hung sash windows, limestone boundary walls, smooth rendered limestone and brick walls. Open spaces. The majority of buildings are of 19th century domestic architecture. High masonry walls and corners are attractive features of the area and the several individual / groups of trees greatly contribute to the amenities of this area.

Listed Buildings

Cae Court, Merthyr Mawr Road	Grade II
St. Mary Nolton Church, Merthyr Mawr Road	Grade II
Garth Celyn, No. 2 Merthyr Mawr Road	Grade II
Nolton Court, No. 4 Merthyr Mawr Road	Grade II
Nolton Cottage, No. 6 Merthyr Mawr Road	Grade II
Riversdale Surgery, Merthyr Mawr Road	Grade II

Scheduled Ancient Monuments

Nil

Buildings of Local Importance

Tithe Barn, Merthyr Mawr Road

Nos. 1-11 Maddocks Place

Nos. 1-23 Chapel Street

O'Neill's Public House



St. Mary Nolton Church with greenery in foreground



Maddocks Place



Nos. 2, 4 and 6 Merthyr Mawr Road



St. Mary Nolton Church and Churchyard