

# **Buildings of Historical Interest in Withington (Manchester)**

**With details of Listed Buildings (Revised: August 2017)**

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## **Albert Inn & Adjoining shop, 454 Wilmslow Road**

Built 1824-1829 by Edward Langford. Bought 1852 by Thomas Holt who converted one house into a beer house. In 1897 it was called "The Albert"

## **The Parsonage, 2 Parsonage Road**

Large detached late 19th century brick house, with adjoining stables. Originally serving St Paul's Church. This is shown on the 1882 Ordinance Survey map

## **The Grange, 551 Wilmslow Road/ corner Cotton Lane.**

Large detached 19th century house with two towers, of orange brick with stone dressings (now a school). Entrance lobby and top lit central staircase. Three reception rooms. The NE corner retains the original kitchen with a service wing. (Built c1870 for Max Baerlin, a cotton manufacturer). Shown on the 1892 Ordinance Survey Map

## **Old St Paul's School, Wilmslow Road (Now flats)**

Brick with well carved stone dressings in a Flemish Renaissance style. 1896. A stone plaque records the dates. Erected 1844, enlarged 1865, 1878, and rebuilt 1896

## **Holly Royde House, 56 Palatine Road**

Detached 19th century house of white brick with coloured banding and stone dressings. Rectangular entrance tower with mansard roof. Picturesque roof-line. (Formerly the home of the Behrens family- textile manufacturers & philanthropists). A residential college 1960- c2000. Now flats. Extensive grounds partly built upon. (Palatine Road was made in 1862)

## **86 Palatine Road**

19th century house of brick with stone dressings. Entrance front with symmetrical bay windows flanking an arched entrance. Between 1978 & 1990 Factory Records was run from here in a first floor flat by Tony Wilson & Alan Erasmus. A blue plaque was added in June 2017. Now residential flats

### **Withington Forge & Carriage Works, Wilmslow Road**

Brick building with a stone archway leading to a courtyard. Carved stones each side of the arch - one dated 1881 the other has initials `WJP` (William J. Priddy, blacksmith), Incorporates a house at the side. Facade & house only- the courtyard has been rebuilt as flats

### **Withington Public Hall & Institute, Burton Road.**

Brick, with ornamental panels and the date AD 1861 on the walls. The first public library in Withington was in the upper room. A gift of Lord Egerton to the community.

### **Withington Baths, Burton Road.**

Brick & Terracotta with stone dressings & windows in a gothic style . Interior includes Art Nouveau style decorative tiles & stained glass windows. Date stone of 1911. City council Architect.

### **Withington Fire Station, Wilmslow Road**

Three storey brick with stone dressings in a neo Georgian style. Built 1931. Includes flats for the employees on Arnfield Road. (Originally also contained a Police Station and Forge). Pevsner`s *Buildings of England* suggests John Swarbrick Jn. as architect .

\*John Swarbrick Jn. (1879-1964), architect & architectural historian.

### **Withington Public Library, 410 Wilmslow Road**

Neo-Classical style building of brick and Portland stone. Interior changed, with the original 3 sections, now one, but the hexagonal entrance hall of two storeys, with a marble floor, remains. 1927. Architect Henry Price

(Henry Price, the council architect, also designed Chorlton cum Hardy & Didsbury Libraries, which are both listed). All three libraries have a triangular plan with an hexagonal entrance. Didsbury Library is in the gothic style and Chorlton Library is a classical Baroque building).

### **403-409 Wilmslow Road**

A two story brick terrace with a central pediment, and bay windows on the ground floor. No 409 (originally 17), was from 1907 to 1919 the home of Sir Ernest Rutherford (later Lord Rutherford), known as the father of nuclear physics. While Chair of Physics at Manchester University he is credited with splitting the atom in 1917. No 409 is now called Rutherford Lodge.

(This building identical to Norton Place. 359-365 Wilmslow Road, which is stuccoed. Listed Grade 11).

### **461 Wilmslow Road. (Former Barclays Bank)**

Two storey ashlar stone building with an enclosed pillared ground floor and a central oriel window on the first floor, under an elaborately carved central gable. Mullioned

windows on first floor. c1903. Shown on the 1916 OS map of Withington.

#### **471 Wilmslow Road. (Royal Bank of Scotland)**

Single storey classical building of Portland stone, inserted into the front and side of the end of the brick terrace of Lansdowne Villas of 1868

#### **The Coach House, 5 Egerton Crescent**

Cottage. 19th century converted coach house behind the Methodist Chapel.

#### **396 Wilmslow Road / corner Mauldeth Road West**

Detached brick house of two stories over a basement, and a central doorway between two bay windows. Contains fine wooden staircase. Shown on the 1892 OS map of Withington. Residence of Wilbraham, Lord Egerton (d.1904). (Now Moffatt & Co., Chartered Accountants)

#### **Old Broadway, off Wilmslow Road**

A formal layout of two rows of houses facing each other over a central grass reservation. 12 detached and 24 semi-detached houses built of brick with pitched roofs in the Arts & Craft style. Each property has a different appearance with varying brick, half-timber, stucco, shaped gables and ornate chimneys. Listed as a conservation area.

Designed and built by Emmanuel Nore, a Ukrainian who arrived in Manchester in the mid 1890s, and set up a firm of builders. Shown on the 1916 OS map of Manchester.

#### **Post Box. Old Moat Lane/corner of St Brendan`s Road (North side)**

Bears the cypher of King Edward V11 (1901-1910)

#### **Post Box. Parsonage Road/ corner Fairholme Road. (South side)**

Bears the ciphers of Queen Victoria (d.1901).

### **Withington Churches & Ancillary Buildings**

#### **St Cuthbert`s RC Church, Palatine Road**

Neo Romanesque building of brick with stone dressings, and an imposing stone porch to the south. Designed by George Goldie 1880-1. Extended in 1902 with transepts and polygonal apses. Architects: W. Telford Gunson & Sons. Interior changed in 1970s

**Presbytery.** Neo Romanesque building of brick with stone dressings, similar in style to the adjoining church. 1911. Architect: W. T. Gunson

**Hall.** Originally the school. Brick with stone dressings & carved stonework on the gable

#### **Methodist Church, Wilmslow Road west**

Stone neo-gothick building on a T plan, with entrances on the gabled west end with paired porches, one now enclosed in glass. 1865. Plaster vault upstairs. Interior altered & divided horizontally by Byrom Clark Roberts 1998

### **St Chad`s, Ladybarn, Mauldeth Road**

1905-07. Brick with stone dressings and chequering in the interior. Arts & Crafts gothick style. Fine carved stonework in polygonal baptistry projection enclosing a font & over the vestry door. Carved wooden pulpit & Rood. War Memorial Chapel. Architect: W. Cecil Hardistry. Windows by Burliston & Grylls, Karl Parsons 1916, and Geoffry Webb 1944. Organ by Harrison & Co. 1906, listed grade 11

### **The Rectory, St. Chad`s Road, Ladybarn**

A gabled brick building in the Arts & Craft style, 1914. Architect: W. Cecil Hardistry, who also designed the adjoining church

### **St Paul`s Church Wall & Lych Gate, Wilmslow Road**

Brick wall with piers capped in sandstone. Timber framed gate with a slate roof, on a stone foundation. Built 1894. ( St Paul`s church of 1841 is already listed).

## **Listed Buildings in Withington (2017)**

**Former National Westminster Bank. Wilmslow Road. (1890 arch. Mills & Murgatroyd).**

**456 Wilmslow Road. ( Pampers). (19c brick).**

**Stone Piers outside former White Lion & former cinema. (c.1880)**

**Former White Lion. 496 Wilmslow Road. (1880 arch. William Mellor).**

**St Paul`s Church, Wilmslow Road. (1841 arch. Hayley & Brown)**

**Red Lion public house. 532 Wilmslow Road. (17th C. )**

**Withington Hospital: entrance lodges, Piers, screen & Administration block. (1854-5 arch. Hayley, Son & Hall).**

**Former Withington Town Hall. Lapwing Lane. (1881 Attr. J. Swarbrick Sn.)**

**Milestone - Wilmslow Road**

## **Listed Buildings in Ladybarn (2017)**

**Rose Cottages. 1-9 Ladybarn Lane**

**96-98 Ladybarn Lane**

**Ladybarn Cottage. 130 Ladybarn Lane**

**132 Ladybarn Lane**

**174-178 Ladybarn Lane (3 cottages)**

**180 Ladybarn Lane (Ministers House)**

**188 Ladybarn Lane (Mount Pleasant Chapel 1862)**