

THE ALMSHOUSES

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Official list entry

Heritage Category:**Listed Building**

Grade:**II**

List Entry Number:**1181926**

Date first listed:**15-Nov-1954**

Date of most recent amendment:**09-May-1988**

List Entry Name:**THE ALMSHOUSES**

Statutory Address 1:**THE ALMSHOUSES, 1-3, CHURCH ROAD**

This List entry helps identify the building designated at this address for its special architectural or historic interest.

Unless the List entry states otherwise, it includes both the structure itself and any object or structure fixed to it (whether inside or outside) as well as any object or structure within the curtilage of the building.

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Location

Statutory Address: **THE ALMSHOUSES, 1-3, CHURCH ROAD**

The building or site itself may lie within the boundary of more than one authority.

County: **Suffolk**

District: **Mid Suffolk (District Authority)**

Parish: **Elmswell**

National Grid Reference: **TL 98262 63616**

Details

TL 96 SE ELMSWELL CHURCH ROAD

5/28 Nos. 1 to 3 (consec) The 15.11.54 Almshouses (formerly listed as Elmswell Hill Almshouses) GV II

Terrace of 3 cottages. Built as 6 almshouses, c.1614 for Sir Robert Gardener. Narrow red/buff bricks, with parapet gables. Slated roof: two internal chimneys of red/buff bricks with sawtooth shafts and a similar chimney rising from apex of each gable. One storey. 6 windows. Two-light mullioned windows with plastered surrounds in simulation of ashlar work. An ovolo-moulded label at the head: C20 steel casements with leaded lights. A central entrance doorway: plastered outer frame with cambered head and heavy wooden inner frame, and C18/C19 boarded door. A pair of doorways to each of the end cottages: plaster-work and label to match windows. Flat chamfered head supported by heavy

wooden frame. The right-hand pair of doors are of battened plank form and may be original. The left-hand pair of boarded doors are unoriginal: one blocked, the other C18/C19. Over the central doorway is a gable, within which is a square sundial. Beneath the sundial is a square limestone panel inscribed: "SIR ROBERT GARDENER KT. SOMETIME LORD OF THESE MANORS OF ELMSWELL AND WOLPIT FOUNDED THIS ALMSHOUSE IN YE TIME OF HIS LIFE AN^o 1614 AND GAVE UNTO IT SUFFICIENT MAINTENANCE FOR SIX POORE WOMEN WIDOWS TO CONTINUE FOR EVER".

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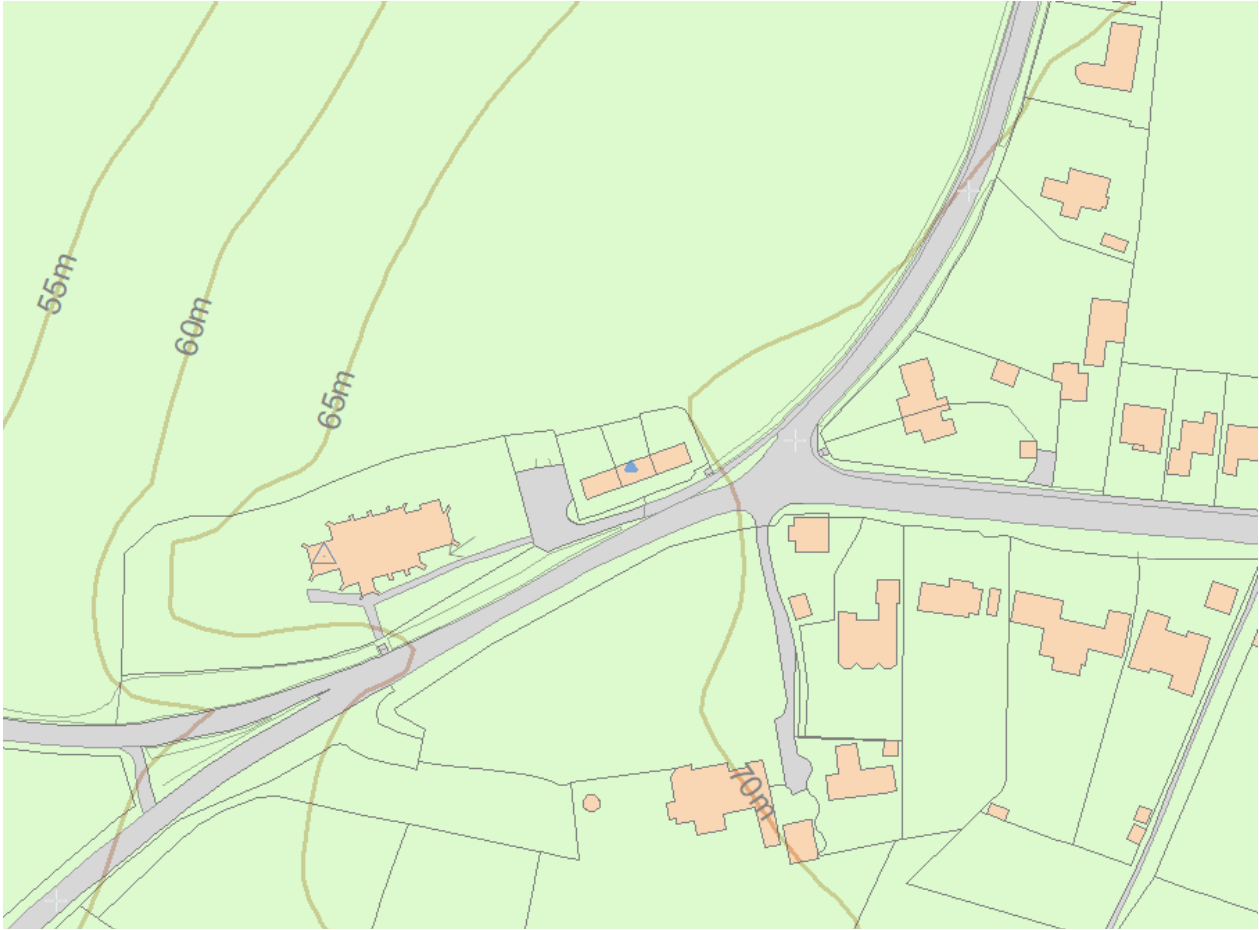
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