
North West Wales Dendrochronology Project
DATING OLD WELSH HOUSES

16a & 18 Palace Street, Caernarfon, Gwynedd

ARCHITECTURAL RECORD



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Introduction

This report contains the results of a survey undertaken to complement the proposed dating of timbers at 16a & 18 Palace Street, Caernarfon, as part of the North West Wales Dendrochronology Project. The survey was undertaken on 2 February 2010 by Adam Voelcker. Documentary research will be undertaken by volunteers to accompany this survey, and separate reports will be issued describing the results of the documentary survey and of the dendrochronology sampling.

Site particulars

Site address

16a & 18 Palace Street, Caernarfon, Gwynedd LL55 1RR

NGR

SH 24785 36274

NPRN

16641

Listing status

Grade II*

Methodology

Only photos taken during inspection. Both houses were full of clutter, and parts were unsafe. No electricity supply available.

References

Cadw listing description

Record No. 3914

RCAHMMW Caernarvonshire Inventory

Vol.II. Entry no.1115 (p.157) (1949)

'NOS.16a and 18, PALACE STREET. A much altered early 17th-century building with a stone vice beside the fireplace down to the cellar, the upper part of the stair being in wood. No other old features are visible.'

Sources of information at the NMRW, Aberystwyth

- block plan (Catalogue No. 11700)
- notes and drawings by A J Parkinson, 1991 (ref?)



Plate 1 upper floor of No.18, looking into No.16a



Plate 2 upper floor of No.18, south end of truss at centre of house



Plate 3 upper floor of No.18, north end of truss at centre of house



Plate 4 attic floor of No.16a, truss in north wall (rear)



Plate 5 attic floor of No.16a, truss in north wall (front)



Plate 6 attic floor of No.16a, truss in north wall (centre)



Plate 7 rear of No.16a

LIST OF PHOTOGRAPHS INCLUDED ON CD (see marked-up plan)

- 001 Exterior, rear (Plate 7)
- 002 ditto
- 003 ground floor wall between Nos.16a &18, from No.18 looking towards rear
- 004 ditto, viewed from passage of No.16a
- 005 ground floor wall between Nos. 16a &18, from No.18 looking towards front
- 006 upper floor of No.18, south end of truss
- 007 ditto, north end of truss (Plate 1)
- 008 ditto, south end of truss (higher level) (Plate 2)
- 009 ditto, north end of truss (higher level) (Plate 3)
- 010 upper floor, wall between Nos.16a & 18, from 16a looking towards rear
- 011 upper floor, north wall of No.16a
- 012 ditto, viewed towards rear
- 013 upper floor, post below truss, south end detail
- 014 attic level, truss in north wall of No.16a (Plate 4)
- 015 ditto (Plate 5)
- 016 ditto (Plate 6)
- 017 Exterior, front (on Palace Street) (cover)