

**SMR Number** 4880 - MBD4880      **Site Name** THE COVEY, Outbuilding to Pear Tree Cottage (formerly Box Cottage), High Street

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19th century grade II listed outhouse to Box Cottage. Located in Turvey Conservation Area.

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### ***Monument Types and Dates***

BAKERY (18th Century - 1700 AD to 1799 AD)  
BARGE BOARD (19th Century - 1800 AD to 1899 AD)  
CASEMENT WINDOW (19th Century - 1800 AD to 1899 AD)  
GABLE (19th Century - 1800 AD to 1899 AD)  
GLAZING BAR (19th Century - 1800 AD to 1899 AD)  
LINTEL (19th Century - 1800 AD to 1899 AD)  
OUTBUILDING (19th Century - 1800 AD to 1899 AD)

Evidence	EXTANT BUILDING
Main Building Material	LIMESTONE
Main Building Material	RUBBLE
Main Building Material	TILE

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### ***Description and Sources***

#### **Description**

Outhouse to estate cottage, mid C19.

MATERIALS: Coursed limestone rubble. Concrete tile roof.

PLAN: Single room plan.

EXTERIOR: Single storey with attic. The N gable end to the road has bargeboards with moulded timber decoration. It has blocked attic window under a timber lintel and a 4-light window on the ground floor. The E elevation has a door on the left, a 2-light casement with glazing bars, and a blocked window under a timber lintel.

INTERIOR: Exposed roof with common rafters made of split tree trunks.

HISTORY: Pear Tree Cottage (formerly Box Cottage) and its outbuilding The Covey were built in the mid C19 as part of the estate of Turvey Abbey, which lies to the east. The Covey was at some time in use as a shop and a workshop. The buildings appear on the Ordnance Survey maps of 1883 and 1900. They form a group with similar mid C19 estate cottages at Nos 1-2 High Street and Nos 1-10 Abbey Square.

#### **REASONS FOR DESIGNATION DECISION:**

The Covey is designated at Grade II, for the following principal reasons:

- It is a humble but well-crafted mid C19 estate building, made from local materials in a vernacular style, with decorative touches in the bargeboarding.
- It has strong group value with Pear Tree Cottage and forms part of an important and coherent group of Turvey Abbey estate buildings in a similar style, all listed at Grade II.

Original listing description:

Outhouse contemporary with cottage. Mid-C19. Coursed limestone rubble. Concrete tile roof. Decorated bargeboards as on Box Cottage. N. gable end has blocked attic window under timber lintel. Ground floor 4-light casement window. Included for group value.

*HER Photograph Archive, F1066/29a* (Photograph). SBD10506.

*HER Photograph Archive, F70/23* (Photograph). SBD10506.

*HER Photograph Archive, F728/22* (Photograph). SBD10506.

*HER Photograph Archive, F728/26* (Photograph). SBD10506.

#### **Sources**

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**Associated resources - None recorded**

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**Location**

**National Grid Reference**

SP 9444 5242 (point) SP95SW Point

**Administrative Areas**

Civil Parish TURVEY, BEDFORD BOROUGH, BEDFORDSHIRE

Unitary Authority BEDFORD BOROUGH, BEDFORDSHIRE

**Address/Historic Names - None recorded**

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**Designations, Statuses and Scorings**

**Associated Designations**

Conservation Area	Turvey Conservation Area	Active	DBD3246
Listed Building (II) - 1249106	THE COVEY	Active	DBD1774

**Other Statuses and Cross-References**

SHINE Candidate (No) Active

Historic Environment Record - 4880 Active

**Ratings and Scorings - None recorded**

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**Land Use**

**Associated Historic Landscape Character Records - None recorded**

**Other Land Classes - None recorded**

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**Related Monuments**

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**Finds - None recorded**

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**Associated Events/Activities - None recorded**

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**Associated Individuals/Organisations - None recorded**

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