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Osbaldeston Hall

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House, probably c.1600 with remains of C16 and earlier, altered 1946. Exact development of house complex. Most of house faced in sneaked sandstone rubble dating from 1946 restoration. East and south walls of 'banqueting hall' of brick. Remains of cruck frame and post-and-truss frame inside. Slate roof. 2 storeys. South front has long range known as 'banqueting hall' projecting forwards at left. This has an east wall with a plinth, quoins, and parapet of stone. On the ground floor are 4 2-light double-chamfered mullioned windows with hoods. On the 1st floor are 5 tall windows with plain reveals. The west wall of this range is of sandstone rubble and has 2 projecting bays, now under catslide roofs, with blocked mullioned windows. Between them is a chimney stack projecting on stone corbels, now truncated at eaves level. On the 1st floor the north gable wall has an ovolo-moulded and chamfered mullioned and transomed window now partly blocked. On the south side the recessed central part of the facade is of 3 bays, with mullioned and transomed windows on the ground floor and mullioned ones above, all replaced in 1946. The central bay has a doorway with lintel inscribed: '1946'. At the right is a one-bay cross-wing with double-chamfered mullioned and transomed windows, again C20 replacements. This wing has remains of timber framing visible inside. Its east wall has a projecting chimney stack. Set back to the right is a gabled wing of 1 bay which has a mullioned and transomed ground-floor window on the ground floor and a mullioned one above. This wing is partly cruck-framed inside. Inside, the 'banqueting hall' now has no 1st floor and the tie-beam trusses are visible. These are constructed from timber re-used from a timber-framed building. On the 1st floor the right-hand cross-wing has an elaborate plaster fireplace surround with overmantel, incorporating terms, figures, and a shield with many quarterings. It also has the initials 'EO' and 'MO', attributed to Edward and Maud Osbaldeston, who held the estates 1575-90 (VCH). The walls of this wing show some evidence of timber framing. The trusses visible in the attic have king posts rising from cambered tie beams to a yoke, braced downwards to the tie beam and with queen struts. The purlins are wind-braced. The right-hand wing has 2 cruck trusses visible on the 1st floor and in the attic, one against the southern gable wall. The other truss is partly visible on the ground floor. Both have outriders and a yoke below the apex. The northern truss of the 2 has spurs to wall posts, confirming that the walls of this wing were originally timber framed. The upper parts of both trusses, visible in the attic, appear to have light smoke blackening.

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House, 1656. Sandstone rubble with stone slate roof. 2 storeys with attic. Facade has cross-wing at left, and a bay with gabled attic dormer on each side of a porch of 2 storeys with attic. Windows mullioned with ovolo moulding and chamfer, with hoods. Much of the stonework of the windows has been renewed, and some of the sills have been lowered. The cross-wing has a 6-light window on the ground floor, one of 5 lights above, and a 3-light attic window. The bay to the left of the porch has windows with a similar number of lights. To the right the windows are of 4 lights to the ground and 1st floors and 3 lights to the attic. The porch has 3-light windows on the 1st floor and to the attic. The door has a worn moulded stone surround with segmental head and lintel inscribed: '1656 LRO'. Gables coped with kneelers and finials. Chimneys at left, to right of porch, and on right-hand gable. Quoins of right-hand gable wall appear to have been replaced. Inside, the door opens against a firehood baffle. In the room to the left of the porch the firehood bressumer remains, as do 2 ovolo-moulded axial main beams. The cross-wing is divided by a wall of timber and wattle-and-daub and is entered by 2 timber doorways. On the 1st floor of the cross-wing is a blocked moulded stone fireplace with a plaster overmantel with plant decoration and various motifs including deer and flowers. In the centre it has the inscription: '1657 LRO'. A 1st floor window at the rear of the house includes a diamond pane painted with the inscription: 'LOR 1658'. This appears to be genuine.

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Barn at Oxendale Hall Farm, southwest of Oxendale Hall

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Barn, possibly c.1600. Cruck-framed with walls of sandstone rubble and brick replacing timber framing, and with slate roof. The east wall has an open corrugated iron lean-to between 2 wide entrances, the left-hand one with plain reveals and concrete lintel, the right-hand one with brick reveals. At the right is a lean-to addition with stone slate roof. Against the west wall is a lean-to shippon with corrugated asbestos roof. Interior has 3 large cruck trusses with outriders, the blades joined by yokes below the ridge, with spurs tying them to wall posts. The southern truss has had a high collar removed. It is not clear whether the other trusses had collars or tie beams. Against the north gable wall is a former closed truss with straighter cruck blades of lighter scantling, a collar which continues across to meet the outriders, a sill beam, and other timber framing with evidence for wattle infill. The 2 southern bays of the barn are divided by an open king post truss with raking queen struts and jowled wall posts. Some straight wind braces remain, and remaining sections of wall plate show that the walls were once of timber framing.

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Church of St.Mary, with presbytery

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Roman Catholic Church and presbytery, 1837-8. Squared sandstone with slate roofs. Church has angle buttresses with pinnacles and a string course at window sill level. Windows each have a mullion and a transom and have their upper lights pointed under a pointed head with hood. North and south walls of 4 bays. West wall of 2 bays. At the apex of the gable is a stone bellcote of square plan with embattled parapet. Below it is a niche with statue. The west door has a chamfered surround with pointed head. The presbytery, adjoining at the east, is of 3 bays with double-chamfered mullioned windows, of 2 lights at the left and one in the centre. The right-hand bay has 4 lights on the ground floor and 3 above. A drip course rises over the ground-floor windows and door. The door, in the central bay, has a chamfered stone surround with pointed head. Right-hand gable coped with kneelers. Chimneys, with clustered shafts, at left and set back from right-hand gable. Inside, the west gallery of the church has a panelled front with tracery decoration carried on 2 slim iron columns. The king-post roof is moulded, with moulded purlins and intermediate principals.

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School south-west of Church of St.Mary

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School, 1845. Sneaked sandstone rubble with roof of fishscale slates. Single storey. Windows double-chamfered. To each side of the gabled porch wing is a window now of 3 lights with 2 mullions removed. The window in the gable wall of the porch is of 2 lights. In each return wall of the porch is a door with chamfered stone surround. Gables coped with kneelers and apex crosses. East and west walls have 4-light windows with Perpendicular tracery under a flat head. Above each is a trefoiled opening.