

SPILSBURY COTTAGE, HALLOW GREEN SO 8280 5818

Spilsbury Cottage is an Edwardian cottage located on Hallow Green. It has retained its original façade, apart from the addition of a well designed porch roof. The cottage adds character and variety to the conservation area. It is constructed of brick in the Flemish bond, with clay tiles to a gabled roof. The sash windows, to the front façade only, were originally 8 panes over 8, but these have been replaced by new windows and reduced to 6 panes over 6. The central window above the door has similarly been reduced from 6 over 6, to 4 over 4 panes. The ground floor windows have brick arched lintels. The cottage has been modernised internally, but this has not impacted upon its external appearance.



In the 1840s the cottage was owned by the Church to which tenants paid rent. In 1865 it was owned by William Spilsbury, and the name 'Spilsbury Cottage' has been retained to this day. In 1871 John Clay was the occupier, a plumber and glazier – as can be seen by his advertising board over the front door above. The cottage stayed in the ownership by members of the Spilsbury family until 1948 and was rented during this time to successive generations of the Clay family. In 1957 it was sold to Joan Rogers whose mother, Annie Haines (nee Clay) was the tenant. Between 1951 and 1981 - Dr. Benc held a Surgery in a ground floor front room from 4-00 to 5-00 one afternoon each week. It has since then been a private residence.



Sources: *Hallow History Research 2010, WCC Archives, Ancestry*

