

## Flint Terrace in Epple Road

The old terrace of houses in Epple Road is built of brick on its eastern face but at the rear and both ends of the terrace flints have been used. Halfway down the down drain pipe from the back guttering at the north end of the terrace there is a rain-hod that has the date 1848 embossed on it. The terrace is not shown on the 1840 Tithe map, so the date almost certainly signifies the year it was built.

The cottages are only one room deep with outshuts extended out at the back to increase the accommodation on each of the ground floor areas.

Because of the limited space, each property in the terrace also has a bedroom up in the roof, making three storeys in all. They also each have cellars, which are understood to have the



usual clunch block linings to them, as they have been carved out of the chalk bed beneath the terrace. There are six properties altogether and they are seldom ever empty for very long each time they come up for sale or rent.

There are no doors on the street side so all the occupants have to go round the shared back alley to get into their houses.

It was thought at one time that they were connected with the Coast Guard Station at Epple Bay, but this is doubtful, as there was already accommodation provided for the crew members by 1848.