

Further to the east, this map depicts the Plas Kynaston Furnace established by Hazeldine at the turn of the century, and which was depicted but not named on the earlier map of the Plas Kynaston Estate (Figure 6). The Plas Kynaston Pottery (NMR 408094) established c.1850 and under the ownership of Bayley & Bradley is depicted towards the southern terminus of the Plas Kynaston Canal, and further to the west is J.C. Edwards' Tref-y-nant Fire Clay Works (NMR 408088) which he acquired in 1860. To the east of these works the newly constructed Pontcysyllte Branch line can be seen continuing northwards where it deviates from the course of the former Ruabon Brook Tramway that branches off to the east.

4.5.10 1880 – Ordnance Survey 1st edition Sheet XXXV.13

The Ordnance Survey map of 1880 (surveyed 1874-5) (Figures 12 & 13) depicts in detail the configuration of the new standard gauge railway tracks installed by the SUR&CC as part of the L&NWR Pontcysyllte Branch Railway which had replaced the former Ruabon Brook Tramway by 1867, although it is possible that some of the earlier horse-drawn tramway tracks were still in operation on the wharfs. By this time there were three main lines on the central pier, the most easterly of which provided access to the transfer dock within the warehouse. Four lines continued along the western wharf, but this narrowed to one line beneath Scotch Hall Bridge before branching into two lines again, one terminating at the southern end of the wharf, the other terminating after crossing over the feeder canal bridge and also crossing Station Road. The track crossing over the bridge across the Plas Kynaston Canal was still evident but terminated c.35m to the south of the bridge.

The layout of the buildings within the basin to the north of Scotch Hall Bridge was little changed since the 1865 map discussed above, although the two terraces on the wharf had undergone slight reconfigurations.

4.5.11 1896 – GWR survey of former SUR engine shed and sidings

This survey (Figure 14) was undertaken when the SUR engine shed and sidings were leased to the GWR in February 1896, and depict a similar situation to the earlier Ordnance Survey map, showing the rail line entering the engine shed and warehouse from the north after branching into two. The easterly line continued through the shed alongside the transfer dock and terminated towards the southern end of the central pier, c.75m to the south of the building, whilst the western branch terminated within the building. An elevation drawing is also provided which depicts a rectangular cut feature beneath the western line underneath a metal chimney in the roof, and the associated text describes a 'sand furnace' measuring 5 ft 5 inches by 2 ft 3 inches within the engine shed.

4.5.12 1899 – Ordnance Survey 2nd edition Sheet XXXV.13

The OS 2nd edition (Figures 15 & 16) illustrates that by this time the trackways serving the basin had been further reduced. There were still three lines on the central pier, only one of which entered the engine shed/warehouse, and there was no longer any access vis the northern end of the building. The western wharf was served by four lines, two of which terminated in front of the more southerly terrace of buildings, which is labelled 'B.H.' (Beer House). The other two lines both terminated beneath Scotch Hall Bridge, and the line serving the eastern wharf was no longer extant. There is a crane depicted on the western wharf opposite the southern end of the central pier.

Further to the north-east, the lime works established by Pickering at the end of his canal arm had fallen out of use, and 'Old Kiln' and 'Old Limekiln' are labelled.

4.5.13 1912 – Ordnance Survey 3rd edition Sheet XXXV.13

There is little change evident on the OS 3rd edition map (see Appendix 3). The crane still appears to be extant, but is not labelled as such, and the Beer House is no longer labelled.

4.5.14 1961 – Ordnance Survey National Grid 1:2,500

By the time of the large-scale OS map of 1961, none of the tracks at the basin are depicted, and the Engine Shed/Warehouse had been removed, revealing the narrow transfer dock. The terrace of buildings on the north-west edge of the basin are labelled as 'Wharf Cottages', and 'Rose Cottage' is labelled to the north of Scotch Hall Bridge. The canal arm and basin at the location of Pickering's lime works had been infilled by this time and part of the Plas Kynaston canal had been covered over adjacent to a large building associated with the expanding Monsanto Works immediately to the north-east of Trevor basin.

4.5.15 1977 – Ordnance Survey National Grid 1:2,500

By 1977 the Plas Kynaston canal arm had been largely infilled with just a short stretch still exposed c.300m to the north-east of Trevor Basin. The transfer dock was no longer evident on this map, and the former Beer House/Canal Tavern had disappeared, as had the Tref-y-nant Fire Clay Works to the north of Trevor Basin.

4.5.16 1988-2003 – Ordnance Survey National Grid 1:2,500

No changes are evident within Trevor Basin to the north of Scotch Hall Bridge on any of the subsequent OS mapping from 1988 to 2003 inclusive.

4.5.17 2003-present day

Google Earth satellite imagery from 2006 illustrates that the Wharf Cottages are likely to have been demolished by this time as the north-western edge of Trevor Basin is occupied by dense vegetation. To the south of this a building had been constructed where *Jones The Boat* operated from until 2019. The southern part of the transfer dock appears to have been exposed by this time, and this remains to be the case.

4.6 Census Entries

It is not possible to match the census entries for Trevor Basin with individual buildings with any certainty except for where a building name (e.g. Scotch Hall, Rose Cottage) is referenced, and moreover some of the entries are difficult to decipher. Nevertheless, it appears likely that building constructed at the western edge of the wharf by 1865 and which is labelled as 'Beer House' on the 1899 OS map is either the Bridge End Tavern or Trevor Arms recorded in 1861, The Dock Inn recorded in 1871 and/or the Canal Tavern recorded in 1891, 1901 and 1911. This building was within Plot 107 on the Trevor Issa tithe map of 1838, which contained two buildings and was described as 'Public House, garden etc'. This was owned by the Ellesmere Canal Company and occupied by Henry Evans, recorded as 'Publican' on the wharf in the 1841 census.

The entries for the people occupying the wharf also illustrate a range of professions associated with the canal itself, as well as the local industries and agriculture. In the tables below all entries thought likely to refer to inhabitants of Trevor Basin are listed (although in most instances only the head of the household is included in the table).

4.6.1 1841 census

Table 2: 1841 census entries thought to relate to Trevor Basin

House and/or street name	Name and age	Occupation
Scotch Hall	William Jones (50)	?? of canal
Wharf	Henry Evans (40)	Publican
Wharf	James Clark (55)	Boat builder
Wharf	Samuel Roberts (45)	Ag. Lab.
Wharf	John Rogers (30)	Farmer
Wharf	William Minshall (35)	??
Wharf	Henry ?? (30)	Ag. Lab.

4.6.2 1851 census

Table 3: 1851 census entries thought to relate to Trevor Basin

House and/or street name	Name and age	Occupation
Canal Wharf	Henry Evans (52)	Coal merchant
Canal Wharf	Anne Clark (70) Joseph Clarke (36)	Head Boat builder
Canal Wharf	Michael Edwards (28)	Iron puddler
Wharf Cottage	William Minshall (44)	Canal company agent
Dock Cottage	John Hughes (50)	Rail labourer
Pontcysyllte Cottage	Richard Parry (45)	Canal tonnage clerk
Trevor Arms	William Parry (38)	Farmer & publican

4.6.1 1861 census

Table 4: 1861 census entries thought to relate to Trevor Basin

House and/or street name	Name and age	Occupation
Trevor Arms	William Parry 48	Farmer of 60 acres
Bridge End Tavern	Richard Jean 55	Inn keeper

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Canal Cottage	Thomas Butterson 72	Retired maltster
Wharf	Joseph Wright 24	Foreman
Canal cottage	Edward Foulkes 34	Manager of slate company
Wharf Cottage	William Munshell 50	Agent for Canal company
Dock House	John Hughes 60	Labourer
Wharf Cottage	Joseph Steel 40	Canal tonnage clerk

4.6.1 1871 census

Table 5: 1871 census entries thought to relate to Trevor Basin

House and/or street name	Name and age	Occupation
Scotch Hall	Margaret Jones (68)	Annuitant
Wharf Cottage	John Evans (49)	Canal labourer
Wharf Cottage	William ?? (52)	Boat builder
Dock Inn	Barbara Evans (71)	Publican
Wharf Cottage	John Ryecroft (30)	Agent for Shropshire Union
Wharf Cottage	Isaac Edwards (46)	Labours in Iron works
Wharf Cottage	Charles Castle (50)	Railway plate layer
Wharf Cottage	William ?? (78)	??
Wharf Cottage	William Edwards (73)	?? merchant

4.6.1 1881 census

Table 6: 1881 census entries thought to relate to Trevor Basin

House and/or street name	Name and age	Occupation
Scotch Hall	George W. Sperring (32)	Book-keeper
Canal Side	Uninhabited	-
2 Canal Side	Charles Cook (60)	Plate layer
3 Canal Side	Thomas Roberts (42)	Traffic inspector
4 Canal Side	Isaac Edwards (55)	Foreman with canal labourers
5 Canal Side	William Fuseall (33)	Railway engine driver
6 Canal Side	Edward Jones (39)	Blacksmith
7 Canal Side	William ?? (62)	Boatbuilder
8 Canal Side	Henry Evans (38)	Publican

4.6.2 1891 census

Table 7: 1891 census entries thought to relate to Trevor Basin

House and/or street name	Name and age	Occupation
Canal side	John Griffiths (45)	Foreman in chemical works
Scotch Hall	Charles H. Harold (36)	Canal agent
Canal Tafarn	Henry Evans (52)	Innkeeper
Canal wharves – uninhabited x 18	-	-

4.6.1 1901 census

Table 8: 1901 census entries thought to relate to Trevor Basin

House and/or street name	Name and age	Occupation
Canal tavern	Henry Evans (62)	Inn keeper
Canal side	Thomas Roberts (63)	Retired ?? owner
Canal side	Elizabeth Jones (48) John R.N. Jones (14)	N/A Apprentice boat builder
Canal side	Thomas Morris (38)	? on railway
Canal side	Kenrick Parry (34)	Labouring on canal?
Canal side	Edward Jones (62) John Jones (31)	Blacksmith (retired) Tile maker
Dock cottage	Stephen Roberts (59)	Foreman of boat building
Rose Cottage	W. Ashton Cartwright (51)	Commercial trader in steel and iron
Scotch Hall	Francis Elliot Roberts (39)	Canal agent

4.6.2 1911 census

Table 9: 1911 census entries thought to relate to Trevor Basin

House and/or street name	Name and age	Occupation
Canal Cottage	George Lambert (48)	Encaustic tile maker
Canal Tavern	Henry Evans (71)	Inn keeper
Pontcysyllte Wharf	Sarah Roberts (67)	Widow
Pontcysyllte Wharf	Theophilus Mellor (62)	Blacksmith