

**Appendix M**  
*Listings,  
Scheduled Ancient  
Monuments and  
Archaeology*



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## **Appendix M: Listings and Scheduled Ancient monuments in Coleford Parish**

Click the link to gain more detail from Historic England. NB Those marked \* are either in both Staunton and Coleford parishes, or should be classified in Coleford not Staunton

### **4 AND 6, BOXBUSH ROAD**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- 4 AND 6, BOXBUSH ROAD, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **FOREST HOUSE**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- FOREST HOUSE, 2, CINDER HILL, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **BARN AT FIVE ACRES FARM, ADJACENT TO FARMHOUSE ON SOUTH SIDE**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- BARN AT FIVE ACRES FARM, ADJACENT TO FARMHOUSE ON SOUTH SIDE, FIVE ACRES, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **OLD FARMHOUSE**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II\*

Location:

- OLD FARMHOUSE, HIGH MEADOW, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **6, 8 AND 10, HIGH STREET**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- 6, 8 AND 10, HIGH STREET, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **THE OLD VICARAGE**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- THE OLD VICARAGE, LORDS HILL, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **ANGEL HOTEL**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- ANGEL HOTEL, 21 AND 22, MARKET PLACE, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **34 AND 35, MARKET PLACE**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- 34 AND 35, MARKET PLACE, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **6, NEWLAND STREET**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- 6, NEWLAND STREET, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **10, NEWLAND STREET**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- 10, NEWLAND STREET, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **THE COOMBS**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- THE COOMBS, SPARROW HILL, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **BANK HOUSE (also known as Crown House)**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- CROWN HOUSE, 2, BANK STREET,
- 1, BANK STREET, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **CHURCH OF ST JOHN**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- CHURCH OF ST JOHN, BOXBUSH ROAD, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **33, MARKET PLACE**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- 33, MARKET PLACE, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **CARAGH HOUSE FLATS**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- CARAGH HOUSE FLATS, NEWLAND STREET, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **ROCK CASTLE**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- ROCK CASTLE, NEWLAND STREET, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **8, NEWLAND STREET**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- 8, NEWLAND STREET, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **20, MARKET PLACE**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- 20, MARKET PLACE, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **BARN AT HIGH MEADOW FARM**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- BARN AT HIGH MEADOW FARM, HIGH MEADOW, Staunton Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **1, 2 AND 3, MARKET PLACE, 2, HIGH STREET**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- 1, 2 AND 3, MARKET PLACE,
- 2, HIGH STREET, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **LLOYDS BANK**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- LLOYDS BANK, 19, MARKET PLACE,
- LLOYDS BANK, ST.JOHN STREET, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **INDEPENDENT CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- INDEPENDENT CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL, SPARROW HILL,
- INDEPENDENT CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL, BANK STREET, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **WHITEHALL FARMHOUSE**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- WHITEHALL FARMHOUSE, COALWAY ROAD, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **POOLWAY HOUSE**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- POOLWAY HOUSE, GLOUCESTER ROAD, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **4, HIGH STREET**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- 4, HIGH STREET, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **TOWER OF FORMER PARISH CHURCH**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- TOWER OF FORMER PARISH CHURCH, MARKET PLACE, Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **Cast-iron road marker, Milkwall**

Heritage Category: Listing

Grade: II

Location:

- Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### **Scowles in Dingle Wood 560m north west of Scowles Farm**

Heritage Category: Scheduling

Grade:

Location:

- Staunton Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire



### [Dark Hill iron works and brickworks complex and Bear 220m south and 200m south east of Yew Tree Cottage](#)

Heritage Category: Scheduling

Grade:

Location:

- Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### [Titanic Steel Works 230m south west of Yew Tree Cottage](#)

Heritage Category: Scheduling

Grade:

Location:

- Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire

### [Whitecliff Iron Works](#)

Heritage Category: Scheduling

Grade:

Location:

- Coleford, Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire



## **Archaeology in Coleford Parish**

Much of the archaeology discovered in Coleford parish bear testament to the long association that the town has had with mining and quarrying. The most significant early archaeological finds in Coleford date from the late Iron Age and Roman Periods. Most of these finds have been located in the south of the parish probably associated with the extensive iron mining in the scowles around Puzzle Wood and the Stock Farm Roman villa site which lie just south-west of the parish boundary. Hoards of Roman coins have been found at both Perrygrove Wood, to the west of Tufthorn Avenue, close to the site of the miniature railway, and at Tufthorn. Each of these contained several thousand coins in earthenware jars. Roman coins and pottery were also discovered at High Nash during the construction of the early twentieth century council housing. A Bronze Age palstave has also been retrieved from High Nash, and a Bronze Age axe head found elsewhere in the parish.

Another significant archaeological discovery in Coleford occurred during the construction of the Mushet Industrial Park and housing off Old Station Way to the south-south-east of the town centre. Part of a late Iron Age and Romano-British temple complex was unearthed, much of it dating to the early 4<sup>th</sup> century AD. The temple and its apse was located at the entrance to what is now Roman Way. One hundred metres north-north-west of the temple site, the weaponry of a 1<sup>st</sup> century AD Celtic warrior was found. This consisted of the remains of a circular shield, parts from a sword harness and an iron sword bent double. These finds are consistent with a Celtic warrior burial. Iron

Age pottery was found close by. Unfortunately, most of this site was developed before more extensive excavation could take place.

Elsewhere in the parish there have been scatterings of flint finds [e.g. Mile End and Owens Farm], evidence of fish and mill ponds [e.g. Pool Green], medieval ridge and furrow [e.g. Buchanan Recreation Ground and Bone Hill] and ancient routeways and hollow ways [e.g. Whitecliff and Rock Lane].

However, the most prolific, and often, the most obvious archaeological features to be found in Coleford parish are linked to its history of mineral extraction and processing. Below ground at Cinderhill and running down into Coleford town are the remains of massive iron ore slag and cinder deposits accumulated over a long time period, possibly from the early Iron Age to the 16<sup>th</sup> century. Above ground there are two major sites. Firstly, the Whitecliff Furnace complex, a scheduled monument to the south-west of the town centre and secondly, the remains of the Dark Hill Iron Works to the south-east of the parish. This site is also a scheduled monument. Close to this site are the remains of the Titanic Steel Works, of which very little remains.

These sites and the earlier mineral activities have left their mark throughout the parish both in the urban area and in the surrounding countryside. Besides the scowles, many small pits and quarries are obvious in the landscape, as are the tramroads, often with the stones that held the rails still evident, and the course of former railways.

**Whitecliff Furnace** is the remains of the former Whitecliff Iron Works where early and important smelting experiments took place to improve the production of iron. It was in operation from 1796 until 1816 and it was to work at this furnace that David Mushet, a leading metallurgist of his generation, came to Coleford. However by 1812 David Mushet had moved from Whitecliff to work with his son Robert Forester Mushet at Darkhill. One furnace survives substantially. The site also contains 2 post medieval lime kilns and a small quarry.

**Dark Hill Iron and Brick Works** has been partially excavated and includes standing and buried remains. The site is associated with the Mushet family, especially Robert Mushet. They were pioneers in the development of iron and steel technology in the 19<sup>th</sup> century and produced the first steel for railway use. Dark Hill was the site of a Bessemer furnace by which Robert Mushet revolutionised the method of steel production. The site shows the features of a complete 19<sup>th</sup> century ironworks including a tramway for moving materials and products.

To view the Archaeological Records for sites and finds in Coleford Parish go to [www.heritagegateway.org.uk](http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk)