GENERAL

Abercrummie 1696 Kirke of Barre, or Brownhill, which is a new erection.
Johnston — Gaelic *barr*, 'top' or 'height'.

KS, Sa 18.2.1871, 4a — Poem, "To my Native Village" by Maggie W I. The first verse (of four) is:
I'll sing of Barr village, tho' its far awa'
A sweeter wee place I never yet saw,
Wi' its bonny green hills and its water so clear,
I oft think I see it, although its no near.

ACC Planning, A2820 — October 1950, approved by Ministry of Fuel & Power March 1951. Electricity supply development, Barr and Stinchar Valley.
ACC Planning, A2935 — November 1950. Electricity supply, Barr village.

VILLAGE

ALBANY ROAD
AVENUE
1. ROSE COTTAGE
3, MACDONALD VILLA
5, THE MOUNT

6-8, WESTVIEW
CHANGUE ROAD
1, GREGG COTTAGE
3, WOODBURN
4, BELLEVIEW
5, BRIDGEVIEW
List 7 — Restored, 1 storey and dormers. Limewashed. C.
6, SHALLOCH
List 8 — Similar to Bridge View. C.
7, GREGGHOLM
List 9 — Restored; 2 storeys, 3 sashes, centre French window, creamwashed harling. C.
AA, Th 5.2.1874, 8f — For sale, property of t.l. David McKie, and spouse, Greggholm
2 storey slated house at Greggholm, formerly occupied by the McKies, and small thatched house adjoining, occupied by Mrs McWhirter.

CLACHAN, THE
34, POLICE HOUSE
ACC Planning, A2781 — September 1950. Police Office and House, for Ayr County Council
ACC, Police & Law C 4.9.1950 — Works Department, £1143 15s 11d; Works Department, £443 5s 11d; Total, £2485 8s 3d.
n.r. (AA, public notice) — Police Station will close w.e.f 6 a.m., 1st August 1970.
GLEBE ROAD
1-4, GLEBE COTTAGES. ACC
5, KINNOULL
6, DALGARVA
GLENGINNET ROAD — formerly HILL STREET
1, JOLLY SHEPHERDS
List 6 — 1 storey wing at corner has rolled skew on end gable; main part of inn is a picturesque 2 storey range, creamwashed, rustic porch. Mostly modern reconstruction. C.
AP, F 25.12.1953, 9bc [1885] — Rowantree Herds' Fair (1882, Rownatree School, 1883, 1884 Sui Toll) held here since 1885. See ref (Landward: Rowantree)
CO3/12/2/8 FLC 10.2.1922 — Additions, JS, for James Aird.
ACC Planning, A5276 — November 1952. Kitchen, &c., for A.M. Sutherland; **Stevenson & Ferguson**.
AA, CO 3/18/2/17 B6445 — Additions and alterations, March 1961**, J & J A Carrick**.
ACC, Y/74/123 March 1974 — Alterations and extensions for R Henderson. **Stevenson & Ferguson**, Ayr.
3, PRIMROSE COTTAGE
5, GILBURN, 7, BRAESIDE, Smithy

List 10 — 1 storey and dormers; pair of limewashed cottages, ruin of old smithy adjoining to right. C.

9, KELTON VILLA

ASH, Sa 1.9.1877, 4cde — [An Ayrshire Auburn, on the margins of the River Stinchar]. Article about Barr. The schoolmaster (Boyd's) "dwelling is nicely situated on the brae-face".

AA 25.6.1891 — For sale, 6 apartments, "modern built".

Letter of AG Challis 11.12.1997 — According to title deeds built 1866 for the parochial schoolmaster, William Boyd. 2 bay-windowed rooms downstairs - 3 bedrooms on upper floor. Some original plasterwork. Dressed whin and sandstone, and pillared portico. Coach house adjacent.

11, FERN COTTAGE

13, WOODBINE COTTAGE, 15 ELM COTTAGE

List 11 — Row of limewashed cottages, originally 4 dwellings; 1 storey, limewashed, ridge slate roof. C.

17, garage

19, ROWANTREE COTTAGE

21, NORMA COTTAGE

23, CLIFTON COTTAGE

25, FELLVIEW

27, FAIRVIEW

4, FARDENREOCH

6, GLADNEUK COTTAGE

10, SUNNYSIDE

14, PANSY COTTAGE

16, WOODLEA

STINCHAR ROAD

1, KINGS ARMS

AA, Th 18.2.1864, 5a — The annual dinner of the Barr Curling Club was held "in the new inn recently erected through the enterprising spirit of Mr McGarva, and which was christened on the occasion as the Albert Arms Hotel."

ASH, Sa 13.8.1864, 4f — [Here, or Jolly Shepherds?}. At The Cross, Mr McGarva has erected a new inn, "the Albert Arms. This handsome building is quite a contrast to the old thatched one".

2, WEMYSS

3, GREGGSIDE

List 5 — Burnlea, Gregside, &c. 2 storeys; harled; a pleasant vernacular range facing Water of Gregg in centre of village. C. [4 dwellings in all]

4, TAIT'S TEMPERANCE HOTEL

AA, Th 8.10.1953, 8d — For sale.

AA, Th 6.5.1954, 16b; AP, F 7.5.1954, 23e — For sale.

By VR 1963/64 — house and shop.

[Road not yet identified]

JAM FACTORY

nr — Co-operative jam making venture, after WW1: failed. House still known as "The Jam Factory".

AA, CO 3/9/3/72, VR, Carrick, 1917/1918 Survey Copy, Loose enclosure. — Letter of William Hood, Inspector of Poor, to Assessor, 22.8.1916. "There is I observe a house erected on Small Holding No.14 on Roll to be used as a jam factory, but probably your attention has already been drawn to this. PHOTOCOPY herewith.

AA 30.6.1921 — The Jam Factory in the village has been closed through want of coal.

AP, F 25.4.1947, 7c — [Started by Rev John Angus, FC Minister, in co-operation with John Lambie]. Lambie died 16.4.1947, aged 74. "In later years Mr Lambie took up tomato growing on the site of the factory." - and "built up a large connection." He began life as a shepherd.

[NB Advert in Carrick Herald for a Girvan store selling Vale of Girvan tomatoes.]

L.A. HOUSING

PRE-WAR

GLEBE ROAD, 1-4	Originally 1-4 GLEBE COTTAGES
GLENGENNET ROAD, 29-35	Originally 1-4 ALBANY COTTAGES

1950

ACC Planning, A2128	March 1950. 24 houses, Dinmurchie site, Barr. 20, for Forestry Commission; 2 normal needs, 2 agricultural. Ayr County Council. [1-15, 2-32 THE CLACHAN]

1953

ACC Planning, A5691	February 1953. 2 houses, Barr, for Ayr County Council [2A, 4A THE CLACHAN]

UNSORTED

AA, Th 5.3.1840, 1g		For sale, one storey house, property of, and possessed by, Thomas McAughtrie.
AA, Th 5.2.1874, 8f		For sale, property of t.l. David McKie, and spouse, Greggholm 1. [see GREGGHOLM] 2. thatched house adjoining the above, lately occupied by William Doak. Held on 999 year lease from Whitsunday 1824. 3. 2 slated dwelling houses in the village p.p. by Mrs Guthrie and William Wyllie, and house behind occupied by Jean McKissock.
CO3/12/2/2	NBSC 10.1.1903	Cottage, for Thomas Auld.
CO3/12/2/3	NBSC 2.9.1904	Alterations to house, John Milroy.
	NBSC 15.2.1907	Alterations to d.cott, James Burgess.
	NBSC 15.2.1907	Alterations to house, H McHarg.
CO3/12/2/6	FLC 24.12.1915	Reconstruct houses, for Thomas Wilson.

© Rob Close 2026