

Norney Old House is a most interesting building. There had been only one hearth, which was later bricked round; and the parlour was unheated and only later had a chimney added outside. The smoked partition remains to the apex on one side only, and the one sooted rafter remains between. It does happen that a smoke bay is replaced by a single hearth, but even then a second backing chimney is usually added behind. One chimney supports the other. Here are three stacks built at different times. Each independently placed. The house retains so much of the original framing and features.

References

Central smoke bay houses with four bays.

Blackhanger Farm Bowlhead Green DBRG Report No 1909
 Bedford Farm House Thursley DBRG Report No 1980
 Apple Tree Cottage Thursley DBRG Report No 1606
 Blanks Farm Newdigate DBRG Report No 1109
 Kennel Farm Cottage Frensham DBRG Report No 1013
 Wild Goose Thursley DBRG Report No 1589

Carpenter's assembly marks

Elm Cottage Hascombe DBRG Report No 960 (a central smoke bay house)
 Cedar House Cobham DBRG Report No 2071 (a hall house)

Chimneys with crow steps

Norwood Farm Effingham DBRG Report No
 Unstead Farm Peasmarsh DBRG No
 Vine Cottage Shere DBRG No

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