## Ref 7 HERITAGE STATEMENT 25 TORR VALE ROAD NEW MILLS SK22 3HS

The property is a mill workers cottage; the middle of a terrace of three. It was built to house the workers and family employed in the nearby Torr Vale Mill [built in about 1788]. I believe the property dates from the early nineteenth century as cited in the following link

http://highpeakconsult.limehouse.co.uk/portal/planning/new mills conservation area/new mills conservation area character appraisal - draft for public consultation?pointId=section 3211102016233#section-section 3211102016233

## where it states...

To the south of The Torrs is an area of mainly terraced houses, the older parts of which are within the conservation area. The terrace on Torr Vale Road built in 1863 for workers of Torr Vale Mill with the adjacent mill managers house, are the oldest apart from a small block of three which date from the early 19th century. Those on Wirksmoor Road, Jodrell Street and Wood Street were built towards the end of the 19th century

The roofing material of thick stone slate supports this build date estimate and the walls are about 20" thick. Also the property has no DPV and these were generally not included in buildings of this era.

There is a photograph, dated 1930 on the New Mills Local History website showing the installation of the first electricity cables in the town along Torr Vale Road. On this photograph, the front elevation of 27,Torr Vale Road is visible, showing it had sash windows with a central transom to the ground and first floors. The intention is to replace the windows in wood with mock sash with a central horizontal transom.



The adjoining property Number 23 has recently been tastefully renovated and I intend to copy the design for the replacement doors and windows.