

HS1

Listing Descriptions

Listed Building Name	GROVE HOTEL AND GROVE PARADE
Address	GROVE HOTEL AND GROVE PARADE, 1, 2 AND 3, TERRACE ROAD
List Entry Number	1257938
Grade	II
Date First Listed	21 December 1970
National Grid Reference	SK 05907 73579

Listing Description

BUXTON

SK0573NE TERRACE ROAD 616-1/3/74 (East side) 21/12/70 Nos.1, 2 AND 3 Grove Hotel and Grove Parade (Formerly Listed as: TERRACE ROAD Grove Hotel)

GV II

Formerly known as: Grove Coffee House TERRACE ROAD. Includes: Nos.1, 3 AND 5 Grove Hotel and Grove Parade SPRING GARDENS. Hotel with shops. c1770 and late C18 with canopy and shop fronts of 1883 possibly by Joseph Whalley (landlord). Dressed gritstone with painted stucco and painted ashlar dressings plus Welsh slate roofs and grouped stone stacks. EXTERIOR: 4 storeys. First- and second-floor sill bands. 9-window range with canted corner to right and 3-storey plus attic, 3-window range to Spring Gardens. Ground floor has ornate cast-iron canopy with columns supporting ornate openwork panels and glazed lean-to roof, central section to Terrace Road has segmental arch on paired columns inscribed GROVE HOTEL with ornate iron wreath, central section to Spring Gardens has smaller segmental arch on paired columns inscribed BAR with ornate iron wreath. This canopy extends north across No.5 Grove Parade. Central hotel entrance has painted ashlar surround with pilasters and paired brackets supporting segmental pediment and double panel doors. Either side shops with recessed doorways, some retaining late C19 shop fronts. 4-storey range to Terrace Road has 9 windows partly hidden by canopy, 9 sashes above and 9 smaller sashes above again. 3-storey range to Spring Gardens has 3 windows partly hidden by canopy, 3 sashes above and 3 dormers above again, central flat roofed dormer with 3-light cross casement flanked by single gabled dormers with plain sashes. Rear much altered C19 and C20. Additions include semi-circular bay windows. INTERIOR: bar has encased chamfered beams. (The Buildings of England: Pevsner N: Derbyshire: Harmondsworth: 1953-1986: 116).

Listed Building Name	WINSTER PLACE
Address	WINSTER PLACE, 7-17, SPRING GARDENS
List Entry Number	1257949
Grade	II
Date First Listed	31 January 1997
National Grid Reference	SK 05957 73577

Listing Description

BUXTON

SK0573NE SPRING GARDENS 616-1/3/65 (North side) Nos.7-17 (Odd) Winster Place

GV II

Formerly known as: The Royal Hotel SPRING GARDENS. Hotel, now shops. 1851 with C20 alterations to ground floor. Built for the 6th Duke of Devonshire. Dressed tooled stone with ashlar dressings. Vermiculated quoins. EXTERIOR: 3 storeys. Vermiculated quoins. Moulded first-floor band and dentillated cornice with solid parapet. Curved front. Street front has 12 windows. Central recessed doorway with double glazed doors and overlight in moulded ashlar surround, outer opening has Ionic square columns and round columns in antis plus flat hood supported on paired brackets. To left 3 rusticated segmental arches with C20 shop windows. To right one similar segmental arch, and then 4 round headed rusticated arches with alternating C20 doors and shop windows. Above central window in moulded surround with brackets supporting an open pediment, flanked by 6 cross casement windows with alternating segmental and triangular pediments plus bracketed sills. Above a central segment headed window with moulded surround and block cartouche, flanked by 6 similar windows with plain surrounds keystones and bracketed sills, all with 2-light casements. Curved right corner has C20 doorway with above a cross casement in moulded surround with segmental pediment, above a blank panel. Right return has 3 windows, with similar fenestration to main facade. INTERIOR: not inspected. (Heape R: Buxton under the Dukes of Devonshire: London: 1948-: 105).

Listed Building Name	1-9, THE QUADRANT
Address	1-9, THE QUADRANT
List Entry Number	1257833
Grade	II
Date First Listed	21 January 1974
National Grid Reference	SK 05837 73657

Listing Description

BUXTON

SK0573NE THE QUADRANT 616-1/3/84 (East side) 21/01/74 Nos.1-9 (Consecutive)

GV II

Row of shops with offices above. c1860, extended 1905, with late C20 alterations. Dressed gritstone with ashlar dressings and Welsh slate roofs with grouped stone stacks. Eaves band and moulded eaves cornice. EXTERIOR: 3-storeys, Stepped street front has 9 windows with curved single window ends and 2 window returns, that to left now 6 windows. Facade divided by tall pilaster strips with vermiculated rustication and curved brackets to ground floor and eaves. 9 varied shop fronts, mostly renewed C20. Tall 3-light mullion windows to first floor with tooled ashlar surrounds, and 3 round headed lights above also with tooled surrounds keystones and projecting sills on stone brackets. Most windows have original casements. Curved entrance at bottom right has doorway with Tuscan Doric columned surround with entablature, above single window and above again single round headed window. Right return has 2 similar windows on the upper floors and a glazed single storey addition of 1905 below with ornate iron parapet. Curved bay at top left has 3-light mullion window to ground floor and single windows above, left return has 6 single windows in similar tooled surrounds. INTERIOR: not inspected.

Listed Building Name	BUXTON THERMAL BATHS
Address	BUXTON THERMAL BATHS, THE CRESCENT
List Entry Number	1257910
Grade	II
Date First Listed	25 January 1951
National Grid Reference	SK 05845 73586

Listing Description

BUXTON

SK0573NE THE CRESCENT 616-1/3/80 (East side) 25/01/51 Buxton Thermal Baths

GV II

Thermal baths, now shops. 1852-53, rebuilt 1900, interior reconstruction 1912, colonnade removed c1960, converted c1985. By Henry Currey. Ashlar gritstone with ashlar dressings and Welsh slate roof plus glass barrel vault. PLAN: Rectangular around courtyard, now infilled. EXTERIOR: single storey. Street front, 10 windows arranged 4:2:4. Tall rusticated pilasters to central bays with shorter similar pilasters with panels above to wings, topped by continuous entablature and balustrade, containing 2 central panels inscribed BUXTON BATHS, with urn finials. 2 central bays have rusticated round arch doorways with double glazed doors and ornate fanlights. Either side 4 moulded round arches with keystones and moulded imposts, with a single window, a door and 2 windows, all round headed. To extreme left, narrow single storey gateway with cornice. Left return tiled elevation of 2 bays visible. Right return a row of adjoining shops. Rear has various separately roofed ranges. INTERIOR: has an ornate iron column, belonging to the original design, and the basic layout of the baths can still be seen, a sunken bath is also displayed. The corridors have glazed and coloured tiles (1900) and ornate tiled doorways, some round headed with keystones, others square headed with cornice and keystones, also shallow arched openings have been restored. The decoration includes floriated swags, fruit and foliage. (The Buildings of England: Pevsner N: Derbyshire: Harmondsworth: 1953-1986: 116).

Listed Building Name	NUMBERS 1-6 THE COLONNADE
Address	NUMBERS 1-6 THE COLONNADE, THE QUADRANT
List Entry Number	1257841
Grade	II
Date First Listed	21 December 1970
National Grid Reference	SK 05850 73604

Listing Description

BUXTON

SK0573NE THE QUADRANT 616-1/3/79 (East side) 21/12/70 (Consecutive) Nos.1-6 The Colonnade (Formerly Listed as: THE CRESCENT Nos.1-6 (Consecutive) Colonnade)

GV II

Row of shops with projecting canopy. 1852-53, remodelled c1990. By Henry Currey. Dressed painted stone with painted ashlar dressings, cast-iron and glass canopy. EXTERIOR: single storey. Street front has 18 bay glass canopy, supported on 19 cast-iron columns with fluted shafts, Composite capitals, ornate spandrels, guilloche band and curved lean-to glass roof with iron finials to ridge. Eight segment arched shop windows, 3 to left with C20 shop fronts, 4 to right retain 3-light round headed glazing and one to far right now entrance to shopping arcade, beyond a single flat headed shop window with single glazing and then a similar curved window, both under a hipped roof with parapet. INTERIOR: of Blezard's, The Chemist, retains fine C19 shop fittings.

Listed Building Name	12-28, SPRING GARDENS
Address	12-28, SPRING GARDENS
List Entry Number	1257955
Grade	II
Date First Listed	31 January 1997
National Grid Reference	SK 05949 73537

Listing Description

BUXTON

SK0573NE SPRING GARDENS 616-1/3/66 (South side) Nos.12-28 (Even)

GV II

Row of six shops with offices. c1880 with late C20 alterations. Coursed millstone grit with ashlar dressings and Welsh slate roofs with stone stacks. EXTERIOR: 3 storeys and attic. First-floor ashlar band and moulded eaves. Street front six windows. Ground floor divided into six shop fronts with rusticated piers between topped with brackets and caps. No.16 retains original shop front with flanking pilasters and either side entrance doorways with overlights, and above a fascia board inscribed: HARGREAVES & SONS. Other shopfronts altered C20. Above six tripartite sashes in moulded surrounds each with a flat hood and central pediment supported on brackets plus a narrow balcony with ornate iron railing. Above eighteen sashes in moulded surrounds with flat hoods and narrow balconies with iron railings. Above again twelve pedimented dormer windows each with a plain sash. Original rainwater goods survive to Nos 12, 14 & 16, square in section to ground but circular above. INTERIOR: No.16 (Hargreaves & Sons) retains original shop fittings including original stone fireplace to first floor. Staircase with brass handrail, and wooden counters, shelves etc.

Listing NGR: SK0594973537

Listed Building Name	The Crescent, Buxton
Address	The Crescent, Buxton
List Entry Number	1257876
Grade	I
Date First Listed	25 January 1951
National Grid Reference	SK 05806 73572

Listing Description

BUXTON THE CRESCENT The Crescent

(Formerly Listed as: THE CRESCENT, St Anne's Hotel. Crescent Hotel.)

25/01/51

GV I Hotel, assembly room and five lodging houses, later council premises, now vacant. 1780-88, addition c.1803 with C19 and C20 alterations. By John Carr of York for the fifth Duke of Devonshire, additions possibly by J White. Ashlar, brick and dressed stone with ashlar dressings and Westmorland slate roofs. Cruciform stone stacks.

STYLE: Neo-Classical.

PLAN: crescent.

EXTERIOR: three storeys to front, four storeys to rear, and basements. Front has symmetrical 29 window semi-circular range culminating in five window facades at each end. Rusticated, round arched arcade to ground floor has set back 27 round headed openings, with sets of steps in front of arches 2, 8, 11, 14, 16, 22 and 23 (from right to left). Central altered doorway and to left a three-light opening, a window, a door, two windows, a doorway altered to a window, two windows, two blocked doors and three windows. To the right two windows, a door, two windows, a door, five windows, a door and a window. All the windows are glazing bar sashes and doorways have mostly six-panel doors and fanlights. Above giant fluted Roman Doric pilasters with blind balustrade and full entablature, topped by balustrade

with plain panels interspersed with shaped balusters, the central panel is carved with the Cavendish arms.

First floor has 23 plain sashes and to the right six glazing-bar sashes, with guilloche pattern plat band between floors, and second floor has 29 glazing bar sashes. Five window facades at either end have similar articulation, set back ground floor facades have four round headed sashes each. Left return has similar articulation, five window range with blocked entrance at bay 1, first floor windows blind and second floor windows with glazing bar sashes. Right return has similar articulation, seven window range, with seven round headed sashes on the first floor and seven blank panels above.

Rear facade of dressed stone, four storeys. Ground floor has tall round headed windows mostly blocked, and small square projections with stairs. First and second floors have boarded glazing bar sashes and third floor has smaller glazing bar sashes.

INTERIOR: of former St Ann's Hotel altered but some original features survive. The vaulted cellars serviced by central passageway are divided into secure rooms providing wine cellars and stores. These retain many original features, such as four planked doors with strapped hinges within pegged architraves, that have been refronted with panelled doors. There are six-panel doors with low lock rails. Stone flag floors and a stone table survive. Window openings include two internal lunettes and an exterior window with chamfered mullion. To the right-hand, east, section many wooden doors retain top panels with bars for ventilation or vent holes. two fireplaces with stone jambs and lintels, one with narrow grate, the other larger.

Ground floor has later ornate dining room addition to rear, with massive moulded beams upon double modillions in five rectangular panels. Folding shutters to windows. Later furnishings include Chinese style woven wall hangings. First floor has cast-iron balusters to stairs, with wreathed wooden handrail and columns to landing. Door glazed and engraved to upper panels, with fanlight and raised panels to spandrels, in ornate doorcase with ovolo moulding, leads into Smoking Room. Drawing room also has entrance door with engraved glass to upper panels and overlight, in moulded surround with entablature. The ceiling has shallow relief plasterwork of interlocking scrolls with central roundel. The frieze is similar in

style to the cyclamen or "whiplash" pattern. Ornate fireplace with overmantel. One fireplace removed at time of survey, elaborate over mantel mirror remaining.

Former Great Hotel, later Crescent Hotel, has semi-circular staircase rising from right-hand entrance to first floor Assembly Room with canted corners. Coved ceiling with ornate Adam style plasterwork, also plaques to wall. Marble fireplaces with overmantels, coved decorated alcoves, and ornate door cases, all with pediments either scrolled or triangular. The double panelled doors are round headed. Order of Corinthian columns and engaged pilasters. Adjoining the Assembly Room is the former card room (2x2) with panelled doors.

The remaining houses and the hotel were designed as individual units, those to the hotel have linking curved central corridors on each floor. Each unit has three windows to the front and five windows to the rear with splayed internal walls following the curve of the Crescent. The units also have single flight return, cantilevered stone staircase with iron balustrade and wooden handrail. Most units contain some original decoration such as doors, doorcases and plasterwork, though many were modernized in the C19 and they retain interesting C19 fireplaces, plasterwork and panelling. Brick and stone vaulted cellars retain at least one later cooking range and slop stone sink.

Park and Garden Name	THE SLOPES, BUXTON
County / District	DERBYSHIRE / HIGH PEAK
List Entry Number	1001456
Grade	II
Date First Listed	06 March 2000
National Grid Reference	SK 05818 73467

Listing Description

Pleasure grounds probably laid out by Jeffry Wyattville for the sixth Duke of Devonshire c 1818 which form the setting for The Crescent and attached buildings relating to the spa.

HISTORIC DEVELOPMENT

Buxton is the site of the shrine of St Ann, a popular place of pilgrimage in the medieval period. The shrine and associated mineral springs were closed after the Reformation but reopened to visitors taking the waters in 1572. The baths were improved in the late C17, and by the late C18 the town had become a popular focus for tourism with visitors attracted by the picturesque setting of the town as well as by the spa. Following improvements by the fifth Duke of Devonshire (see below), the sixth Duke continued to promote Buxton as a spa. Jeffry Wyattville (1766-1840) was working for him at Chatsworth (qv) c 1818 and it was almost certainly he who was asked to carry out work to The Slopes. Some subsequent alterations were carried out by Joseph Paxton (1803-65) in the 1850s. In the C19 the seventh Duke of Devonshire sold the site on a chief rent to the Buxton Local Board (which subsequently became the Buxton Corporation). It remains (1998) in use as a public park.

DESCRIPTION

LOCATION, AREA, BOUNDARIES, LANDFORM, SETTING The Slopes lie near the centre of Buxton. The c 3ha site is on land which slopes down to the north-west from Terrace Road, the east boundary. Hall Bank and the east end of The Square form the south-west boundary, while The Crescent and attached buildings (see below) form the north boundary.

ENTRANCES AND APPROACHES There are a number of informal entrances to the site from the roads encircling it.

PRINCIPAL BUILDINGS The range of attached buildings fronting The Slopes comprises, from the west, Old Hall Hotel (C16 and later, listed grade II*), the Natural Baths (1851-3, partially rebuilt 1924, listed grade II), The Crescent (listed grade I), and the Thermal Bath (c 1853, listed grade II). The Old Hall Hotel is the former Buxton Hall, which was built by the Earl of Shrewsbury c 1570 to provide lodgings for visitors of rank who included Mary, Queen of Scots. The building has been remodelled and repaired at various times but retains its C16 core. The Crescent was designed by John Carr (1723-1807) for the fifth Duke of Devonshire in 1780 as the centrepiece of his plans to make Buxton a fashionable spa town like Bath. The building incorporated hotels, lodgings, and assembly rooms. The plan is semicircular, facing the original site of St Ann's Well which is now covered by a structure of c 1940 (listed grade II), with the Pump Room (1894, listed grade II) alongside it.

GARDENS AND PLEASURE GROUNDS The land rises steeply to the south from the forecourt in front of The Crescent. This area was originally a bare hillside called St Ann's Cliff. The steeply sloping bank is grassed and planted with scattered trees. Curved terraced paths are linked by paths which curve in the opposite direction, forming a pattern of interlocking ellipses. The pattern conforms broadly with that shown on the 1848 Tithe map. The paths run along and up the slope affording views of The Crescent below. The Butterly Directory of 1835 described the area thus: 'Over St Ann's Cliffs; opposite the Crescent, a fine rising lawn has been laid out with very great taste, where the company promenade'.

Twelve C18 stone urns, brought from another Devonshire property, Londesborough Hall (qv, demolished 1818-19) in East Yorkshire, are positioned on plinths along the terraced walks and linked by stretches of wall (walls, urns, and stone steps all listed grade II*). The lower terrace has a wall with four sets of steps and four urns set in shallow recesses. Above this the middle terrace has two urns flanking central steps and two more urns occupying shallow recesses at the termini of the wall. The top terrace has a pair of urns flanking central steps which lead up to a platform with a war memorial (1920, listed grade II) and another urn at each end of the wall.

The site was restored in 1994.

