

# Stone Allerton

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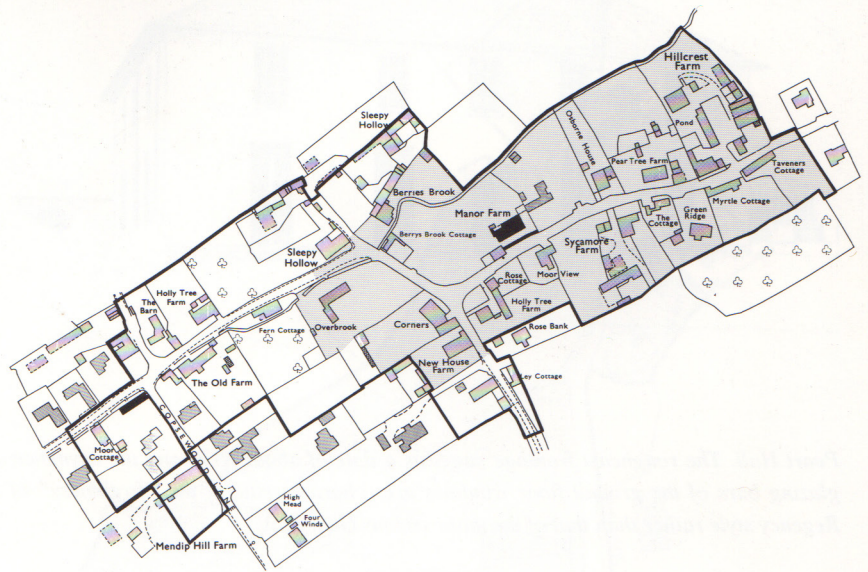
## BRIEF HISTORY

Stone Allerton is one of a small group of historic estates on the Isle of Wight more which were probably laid out as newly planned communities in the 10th or early 11th centuries. Others include Alston Sutton, Badgworth and Chapel Allerton. No direct trace of that period remains other than the street pattern which is probably long established. The village has quietly developed over the centuries and the widespread use of local limestone in the building of farmhouses, barns, cottages and boundary walls has created an attractive and harmonious rural settlement.

## CHARACTER OF THE CONSERVATION AREA

Approximately one and a half miles south west of Weare, Stone Allerton conservation area has several similarities in character and components. Main Street contains all the valued components of grass verge, stone rubble building and boundary wall with mature planting set in low density rural framework, although the existing overhead wires are a considerable visual detraction.

The road through the village is particularly characterised by the widespread use of local limestone in boundary walls and buildings. Windows and door surrounds in some buildings are in brickwork and clay tiles are the usual roofing material. Manor Farm dates from the early 19th century and departed from the local vernacular style with its fishscale slate roof and rendered walls scribed as ashlar. Manor Farm and Underhill Cottage are the only listed buildings in the conservation area. The open areas by Overbrook and Sleepy Hollow, emphasise the open aspect of the village.



*The village does not have a particular focus such as church, green, square or group of buildings of particular quality; the character is that of the mix of traditional farmhouses and cottages of varied and attractive style.*

*Early 19th century Manor Farmhouse with decorative cast and wrought iron railings.*

