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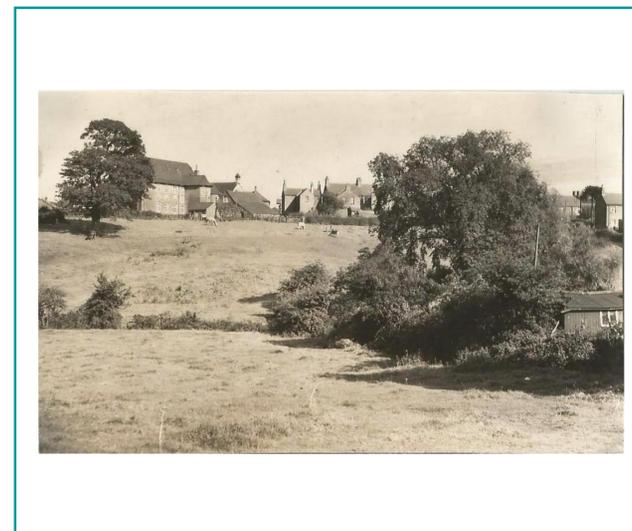
Places of interest in Thringstone



Charles Booth Centre

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This is a former farmhouse purchased and extended by philanthropist Charles Booth in the early 1900s. It gave facilities to the village as a whole for families, including children to improve the education of the population which also included neighbouring communities. There was originally a reading room, a billiard room and allotments which still exist today. There was also a gymnasium on site. The Community Centre had its own football team and cycling club. The centre is believed to be the oldest community centre in the country.



Bob's Closs

Drury Lane and Bob's Closs

Bob's Closs, named after Robert Henson who owned the land, is a wetland meadow area owned and managed by the community centre. There used to be a handful of houses on Drury Lane.

In the middle of the 1800s, land here was purchased by His Excellency Don Lorenzo, Duke Sforza Cesarini, who was connected, through marriage, to Earl Ferrers of Staunton Harold. Caroline, wife of Don Lorenzo, owned Ragdale Hall at one point.

The planting in the lane was carried out and is maintained by Friends of Thringstone.



Rose and Crown and Kirby's Shop

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This former pub stood on the site of Thringstone Co-op and was a three storey property forming part of a Georgian row. Details of original landlords are sketchy, but publicans can be traced back to the early 1800s.

The pub closed at the end of February 2008, and planning permission was given on 27 February 2012 for the Co-op to be built.



James Smith with local cycling club.

Forest View

Known locally as The Blue House, this 3 storey Georgian property was once a shop owned by the Blakesley family from the 1850s and then the Kirby family.

In the 1980s, the property was used by a bookie.

The front of the property is Grade 2 listed. There used to be a tenement building at the rear of this house which was rented out, and also a small orchard.