

9 Modern development

There are two significant 'estate' developments in Sticklepath. The smaller Grove Meadow group is discretely located and fits in quite well, though better quality natural slate roofing would have made it more successful. This also applies to the larger Oak Tree Park which balances standard details with a grouping and simplicity that at least suggests local references. As most of the estate is set well back from the main road the impact on the village as a whole is lessened.



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Fig 51 Part of Grove Meadow

The quality of residential conversions of former outbuildings varies from reasonably respectful to the drastically altered. In particular the introduction of modern low quality fenestration is regrettable, as is the addition of dormers that are incongruous on any barn and in the village in general.

The most recent individual infill buildings have been quite acceptable in terms of scale and positioning. Unfortunately, clumsy joinery details and the use of translucent woodstains has reduced their success in blending with their neighbours.