

FORM B - BUILDING

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Area(s)

Form Number

Plymouth

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188

Massachusetts Historical Commission
220 Morrissey Blvd.
Boston, Massachusetts 02125



Inverted building. Indicate north.

Town Kingston

Place (neighborhood or village) KIN

Address 257 Main Street

Historic Name

Uses: Present residence

Original residence

Date of Construction c.1890

Source maps

Style/Form Queen Anne cottage

Architect/Builder

Exterior Material:

Foundation brick

Wall/Trim vinyl

Roof asphalt shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures

Major Alterations (with dates)

Condition good

Moved ☒ no ☐ yes

Date

Acreage .5 acres

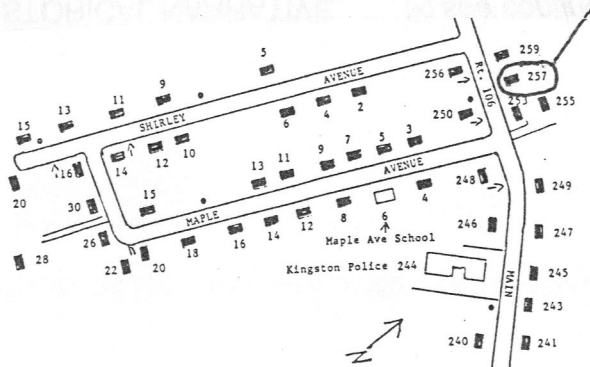
Setting

linear village

Recorded by Deirdre Brotherson

Organization Kingston Historical Commission

Date (month/year) May 1998



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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

☒ *see continuation sheet*

Describe architectural features Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

☒ *see continuation sheet*

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

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BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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☐ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.
a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

If checked, you must attach

Community
KingstonProperty Address
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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The residence at 257 Main Street was built c. 1890 as a Queen Anne cottage. This 2x4 bay, wood frame, 2 story building sits on a brick foundation. The building is clad with vinyl siding with scalloped shingles in the gable. The front gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. One brick chimney is located in the main block, centered at the ridge. A second brick chimney is located at the ridge of the side ell. The sidehall entrance contains an early 20th century wood panel door with a large, square glass pane flanked by a flat surround. A door hood supported by scrolled brackets protects this entrance. The windows are filled with 2/2 wood sash with flat surrounds with a molded drip cap. The cornice is boxed with returns. A bay window is adjacent to the first floor entrance. A 2x2bay, 2 story, side gable ell has several small attachments; an enclosed porch and bay window.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND:

This house was not illustrated on the 1879 map but was listed on the 1903 map - owned by Charles C. Wilbur. The house was built as a Queen Anne cottage but has had several additions.

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MAPS:

1879 Atlas of Plymouth County. George E. Walker. [MHC]

1896 Bird's Eye View of Kingston [KPL & MSL]

1903 Atlas of Plymouth County. George E. Walker. [KPL]

Sanborn Insurance Company Maps:

Plymouth: 1896 June

1901 April (1896, 1901, 1906 include Kingston Village

1906 Feb. and Factories in Kingston)

Kingston: 1912 (6 sheets)

1925 (7 sheets)

1943 (7 sheets)

1954 (8 sheets)

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National Register of Historic Places Criteria Statement Form

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Individually eligible ☐ Eligible only in a historic district
☒ Contributing to a potential historic district ☐ Potential historic district

Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Criteria Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Statement of Significance by Deirdre Brotherson

The criteria that are checked in the above sections must be justified here.

This property is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing building to a Historic District (Area B). This district is eligible under Criterion A (associated with events that have made a contribution to the broad pattern of our history) as a building which is part of a linear village on Main Street which has evolved from a village area to a residential neighborhood (there are few commercial establishments on Main Street - they have shifted to areas near the railroad) but the architecture in this linear district continues to tell the story of the evolution of this area through the variety and high quality of the architectural styles (Criterion C: the building embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction - as a contributing architectural member of this district.)