

THE ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE FUND

CASE STUDY

East of England

For 25 years the Architectural Heritage Fund has helped voluntary organisations regenerate historic buildings, creating community and education facilities, workspace and homes. This has often been a catalyst for further regeneration. We have supported relevant voluntary groups with grants, loans and advice on more than 700 projects to date. This is an example:

Social and private housing scheme: Half Moon and Star, Ipswich



The disused Half Moon and Star public house had stood empty for ten years and been vandalised before being converted into a mixed housing development by the Ipswich Building Preservation Trust. The building itself was restored and sold as four private flats and a two-storey dwelling to raise funds for the project, as was the adjacent cottage dating from the seventeenth century. The development

also included provision for social housing in conjunction with the English Churches Housing Association, and eight new flats have been created. During construction, open days attracted many local people interested in the progress of the works. Training days were also organised to teach restoration techniques in conjunction with Ipswich Borough Council.



Organisation: Ipswich Building Preservation Trust

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Grade II listed

Architectural Heritage Fund assistance: £1,000 Feasibility Study Grant in 1997, £120,000 loan in 1998

The Architectural Heritage Fund – Registered Charity No 266780

We provide grants, loans and advice to voluntary organisations regenerating historic buildings.

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