

# **Norton Stone Wall Damage**

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- The stone walls within Norton are a significant part of the area's heritage, and many of them are listed.
- Recently, there have been three locations of stone wall in Norton that have suffered damage, seemingly impact damage.
- One is on Norton Lane, close to the entrance to Chantrey Cottage, opposite from the Norton House Country Club.
- The other two are on the wall of The Rectory, opposite the entrance to the Norton Stables.
- This document records the damage to the walls, and seeks to raise awareness, so that action can be taken to both repair the damage and to try to stop future damage.

## **Damage No. 1 - Chantry Cottage entrance**

- The impact height appears to be approx. one and a half foot high, and was caused by a car or light van.
- There are small remains of both self coloured black plastic, and grey coated plastic, both probably from the vehicle's plastic bumpers.
- The impact damage to the wall appears to be fairly localised, suggesting a strong structural element (such as a steel bumper bar) that has caused the damage to the wall.



## Damage No. 2 & 3 - Wall of the Norton Rectory

- The damage here is more extensive, as sections of the wall have collapsed, with stones being pushed into the grounds of the Rectory.
- The height of the impact must be approximately half the height of the wall, as these stones have been pushed the furthest.
- In contrast, the triangular stones at the top of the wall have just dropped vertically down, and are still in their original alignment.
- One of these damage locations is more severe than the other, even though they are very close to each other.
- If my memory is correct, one damage location was created a few days / weeks before the other.
- There doesn't appear to be debris from the vehicle or whatever caused the damage, although someone has (usefully!) put some red & white tape up.

