

Back in Time - 18 - Rutland House

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The photograph taken in the front room of Rutland House (5 Rutland Road) is the only pre-war interior photograph we have of a house in Ellesmere Park.



Front Room of Rutland House - 1928

The photograph is dated 1928 and shows the very elaborate interior furnishings at that time. From the return of the wall on the left side of the photograph, I think this is the right hand front room as viewed from outside. Below are two photographs of Rutland House, one taken in 1980, the second photograph taken in 2020.

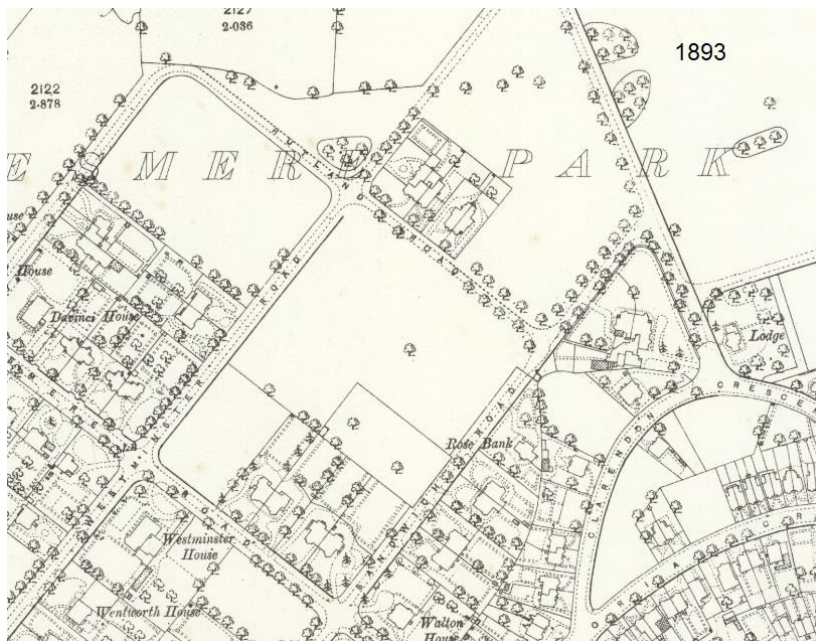


Rutland House 1980

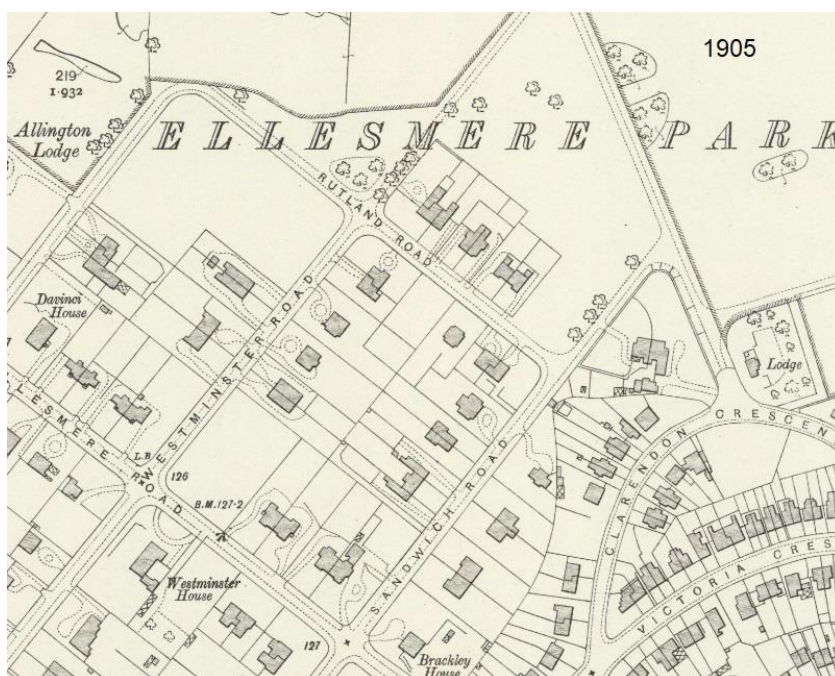


Rutland House 2020

It is gratifying to think that the exterior of this house has probably not changed substantially since it was built. The houses on the south west side of Rutland Road and the south east side of Westminster Road were some of the last Victorian houses to be built in Ellesmere Park. This can be seen by comparing the 1893 and 1905 O.S. 25 inch maps of Rutland Road.



Ellesmere Park - 1893

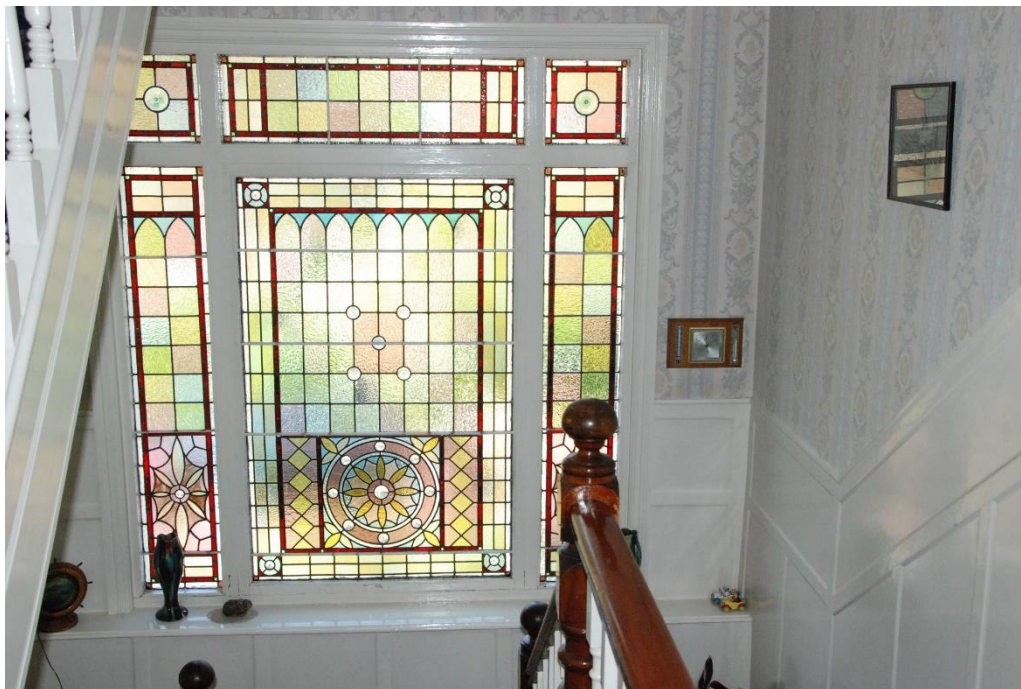


Ellesmere Park - 1905

I have included two photographs of the inside of Rock Cliffe on Westminster Road (built 1895). They are not old photographs but they might be of interest to someone in 100 years time!



Rock Cliffe Westminster Road – Front Door



Rock Cliffe Westminster Road – Landing Window

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