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John Marshall (of Cleo Architects)
appointed to survey buildings for the
listed Building Survey: -

Thought that the ceiling beams in the
study were probably 16c, because

(a) they are set into beams (rather than
into walls)

(b) they are of flat section

The beam spanning the fireplace shows
markings for a boarding partition. He
thought it probable that the fireplace was of
later date, perhaps replacing an open
fire in a "hall house".

(He was certain that the modern stone
"grate" was designed by Forsyth Harrison - the
architect responsible for the rebuilding in
the 1940s: the angled pent, to take logs, was
a former typical feature.)

He thought it possible that this was
William Bulling's house: its site is uncertain

The buttress by the bed-chamber may have
been needed if the wall began to collapse as
the roof spread.

TOWNS

He suggested that the pent door ^{maybe} original
and not brought from another house: (this
maybe because its style is contemporary
with the beams etc in the study)