



Folgate Cottage

Discussion with Edwin Rose, archaeologist at Norfolk Archaeological Unit,
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From the photographs I gave him:

1. Beams in bedroom. Agrees that this looks like a raised cruck. Appears to be around sixteenth century. If this was put in when roof raised then the house is even older than that – though it could be from the original roof.
2. The huge beam across the bedroom floor. These were used as braces to strengthen the walls. Could be Georgian or Victorian. Dating will depend on the rivet/screw/join where beam is fastened to the wall.
3. Roof. The rafters are later which fits in with the roof having been raised or replaced .
4. Outside wall. Agrees that this could be an old jitty. Lower projection could be an oven but I think too far from chimney. Opines that wall would have to be stripped to really see what is going on here. He may be able to give further opinion if he saw the house.
5. Fireplaces. Photographs show salt cupboard and oven opening.
6. He would be interested in doing a full survey but there is a waiting list. He would add you to this. I think that invitation should come from you.
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