

Pestilence Cottage

Also known as the 'Pest Houses' or the 'Plaque Houses', it got its name after the owners took in a man called Thomas Rawlins who had come up from London in 1665 to escape the Bubonic Plaque. No one else would take him in for fear of infection. Rawlins later expressed his gratitude by building a school for 22 poor boys from Woodhouse, Woodhouse Eaves and Quorn, which later became Rawlins School in Quorn.

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