

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	SWN.52
Historic Name:	Hull House
Common Name:	
Address:	93 Main St
City/Town:	Swansea
Village/Neighborhood:	Gardner's Neck;
Local No:	44;
Year Constructed:	C 1790
Architectural Style(s):	Federal;
Use(s):	Single Family Dwelling House;
Significance:	Architecture;
Area(s):	SWN.D
Designation(s):	Nat'l Register District (02/16/1990); Nat'l Register MRA (02/16/1990);
Building Materials:	Roof: Asphalt Shingle; Wall: Wood Clapboard; Wood Shingle; Foundation: Brick;
Demolished	No



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AREA

FORM NO.

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Town SWANSEA

Address 93 Main Street

Historic Name Hull House

Use: Present Residence

Original Residence

DESCRIPTION

Date c.1790

Source Records of former owner

Style Early Federal

Architect Unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric Clapboard & shingle

Outbuildings None

Major Alterations (with dates) _____

North Ell - date unknown

Condition _____

Moved No Date _____

Acreage Less than one acre

Setting West of the town offices with a small open lot between the two, this house sits high on a slope facing the Main St. overlooking all.

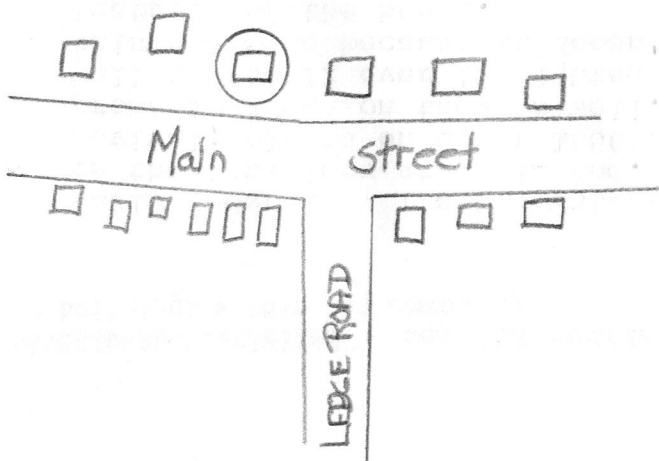
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Organization Swansea Historical

Date March, 1986

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UTM REFERENCE _____

USGS QUADRANGLE Fall River, MA., R.I. 1967

SCALE _____

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

Early Federal by its two interior end chimnies and 8 over 8 light windows on the top floor at gable end. Front door is a later addition, Greek Revival; placed on about 1850 or so. The added ell with chimney was probably added on then as well. The Board and Batten door below as well as the 12 over 12 lighted windows can not be considered in dating this building because it doesn't come into context with the major structure features of the house.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

The age of this house is in dispute. A former owner who had the old deeds has lost them. The present owner states that the people from whom he purchased the house had proof of the building date of 1730. Others disagree. We have read deeds back to 1845 but the previous transactions or inheritances are obscure at this date. However, it is a well kept house of interesting architecture. Long owners were the Mason Chace family active in many town affairs.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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FORM B - BUILDING

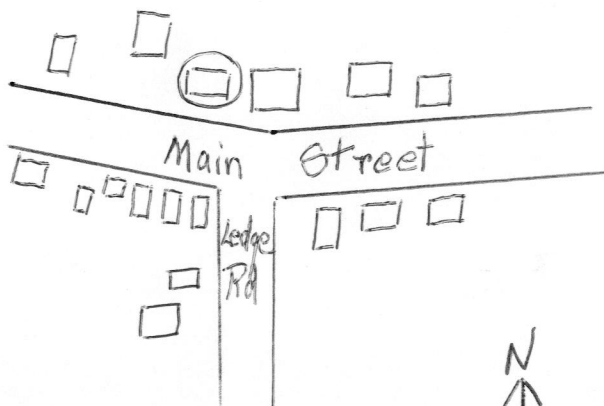
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Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

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4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



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- Town Swansea, Massachusetts
Address 93 Main Street
Name Hull House
Present use Residence

Present owner Frank W. Brownell
- Description:
Date 1734 ?
Source Records of former owner
Style Cape cellar house
Architect Unknown
Exterior wall fabric Clapboard & shingle
Outbuildings (describe) None
Other features Stairs to porch across front to second level.

Altered North ell Date ?
Moved No Date
- Lot size:
One acre or less ☒ Over one acre
Approximate frontage 129 feet
Approximate distance of building from street 5 feet
- Recorded by Helen Pierce
Organization Swansea Hist. Soc.
Date November 29, 1978

7. Original owner (if known) Unknown

Original use Residential

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates None

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<u> </u>	Conservation	<u> </u>	Recreation	<u> </u>
Agricultural	<u>X</u>	Education	<u> </u>	Religion	<u> </u>
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	<u> </u>	Science/ invention	<u> </u>
The Arts	<u> </u>	Industry	<u> </u>	Social/ humanitarian	<u> </u>
Commerce	<u> </u>	Military	<u> </u>	Transportation	<u> </u>
Communication	<u> </u>	Political	<u> </u>		
Community development	<u> </u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

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10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

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