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SK 40 SE | DESFORD | HIGH STREET (North side)

6/9 | Nos 19, 21 and 23, Desford Post Office

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Cottage, house and shop. Late C18, early C19 and mid C19. No 19, red brick with C20 concrete tile roof and single gable stack. 2-storey. Segment headed doorway with unusual patterned door, to right a 2-light sliding sash with glazing bars, under a slightly larger segment head. Above a 2-light window. No 21, red brick in Flemish bond with burnt headers. Thatch roof with raised brick coped gables with a single gable and a single ridge stack. Swithland stone plinth. Single storey plus attics. 3-bay front with off-centre half glazed door in reeded wooden surround flanked by single tripartite plain casements. To first floor are 2 glazing bar through eaves eye brow dormers. No 23, red brick also in Flemish bond with pale headers. C20 concrete tile roof and a single gable stack. Half glazed. 4-panel door and to left a 2-light cross casement, both with segment headed wedge lintels. Below to left a post box. Above a single 3-light sliding sash with glazing bars, and to right a blind window. Beyond to right a slightly lower mid C19 addition, red brick with a slate roof and chamfered plinth. Ground floor has 2-pane shop window and above a 3-light sliding sash with glazing bars.

SK 50 SW | DESFORD | LEICESTER LANE (off)

7/49 | Desford Hall

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Small country house, now offices. c.1875, converted c.1980. White brick with ashlar dressings, slate roofs and 2 moulded external stacks. Chamfered plinth, first and second floor bands and first floor cill band plus dentilated eaves. 3-storey. South front, recessed centre with slightly projecting wings. Central round headed doorway with 4-panel door and plain fanlight, flanked by single round headed plain sashes, all under a Corinthian columned porch with curved frieze and balustrade parapet over. Above 2 plain sashes in moulded ashlar surrounds with bracketed hoods to each floor. Either side single 2-storey canted bay windows with plain sashes and above tripartite plain sashes with carved segmental pediments, above blind circular window with keystones in curved Dutch gables. Centre topped by a square tower with corner pilasters and a single sash to each face, with moulded ashlar surround and bracketed hood. Topped by a square leaded dome with weather vane finial. East and west fronts are similar with external stack, flanked by a plain sash to each floor, and to north slightly projecting Dutch gabled wings with bay windows to east. To rear plain 2-storey service wing. Interior entrance hall has Minton tile floor, 4 doorways with heavily moulded plaster surround with bracketed hoods, a segmental arch with keystone, and a small Imperial staircase, single flight with 2 flight returns, with turned balusters and square panelled newel posts.
