

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO.	<u>103-05-0230</u>
QUAD	_____
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JUN 21 1977

YOUR NAME: Town of Islip DATE: 1 September 1976  
Town Hall  
 YOUR ADDRESS: 655 Main Street TELEPHONE: 516 581-2000  
Islip, L.I., N.Y. 11751  
 ORGANIZATION (if any): Department of Planning, Housing & Development

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Islip Town Hall Annex-Dept. of Environmental Control  
 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN: Islip VILLAGE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. STREET LOCATION: 577 Main St., North side  
 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private   
 5. PRESENT OWNER: Town of Islip ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. USE: Original: Town Hall Present: Town offices  
 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
 Interior accessible: Explain \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard  b. stone  c. brick  d. board and batten   
 e. cobblestone  f. shingles  g. stucco  other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints   
 (if known) b. wood frame with light members   
 c. masonry load bearing walls   
 d. metal (explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
 e. other \_\_\_\_\_  
 10. CONDITION: a. excellent  b. good  c. fair  d. deteriorated   
 11. INTEGRITY: a. original site  b. moved  if so, when? \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. list major alterations and dates (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

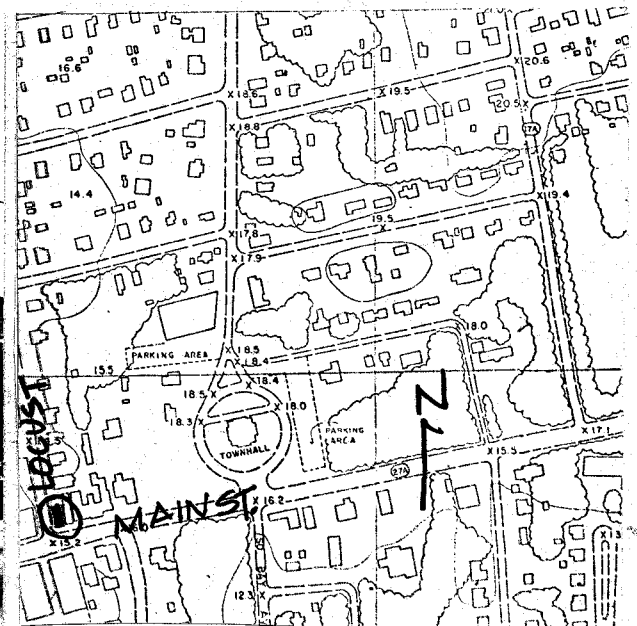
Renovated in 1955

ROLL ISL-BAN-I-13  
NEGATIVE I-13

12. PHOTO: LOOKING NE

SEWER MAP Q-11

13. MAP:



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14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known  b. zoning  c. roads   
 d. developers  e. deterioration   
 f. other: \_\_\_\_\_

15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:  
 a. barn  b. carriage house  c. garage   
 d. privy  e. shed  f. greenhouse   
 g. shop  h. gardens   
 i. landscape features: \_\_\_\_\_  
 j. other: \_\_\_\_\_

16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):  
 a. open land  b. woodland   
 c. scattered buildings   
 d. densely built-up  e. commercial   
 f. industrial  g. residential   
 h. other: \_\_\_\_\_

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:  
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

Structure is located in a major business district on Main St., Islip

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):  
 Tile roof; original entrance with portico; round headed 2nd floor windows with brick arches; brick quoins; stone water table; lugsills.  
 Interior: Embossed tin ceiling in lobby and in original part of building; large safe in wing now used for storage room.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1907

ARCHITECT: \_\_\_\_\_

BUILDER: \_\_\_\_\_

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

1915 map: 2 story structure, Islip National Bank.  
 Bronze Plaque in lobby of wing: "Old Town Hall and Annex;  
 Renovated 1955 under direction of Islip Town Hall. John O. Ross, Assoc.,  
 Architects; A? L. Minstein Construction Company, General Contractor."

PAUL BAILEY - LONG ISLAND. NASSAU AND SUFFOLK. 1949 - p. 329.

21. SOURCES: Bronze Plaque in lobby of annex  
 Hyde, E. Belcher. Atlas of the Ocean Shore of Suffolk Co., L.I.  
Westerly Section. Brooklyn-Manhattan, 1915.

22. THEME:

Research by: Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities  
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the Southside was Richard M. Raven, and of the First National, William H. Robbins.

Bay Shore's first newspaper was the *Journal*, founded in 1886. In 1945 it was combined with the *Sentinel*, established in the 1920s.

The village of Islip had a greater population than Bay Shore before the railroad came through. As far back as 1870, summer residents established many beautiful homes here. By 1880 Clock Brothers' general store was the largest on the south side. Because its navigable water comes to the main road, Orowac Creek has been the source of much shipping. From 1860 to 1880, a great deal of merchandise, coal, lumber and brick was brought up this creek. Along Doxsee's Creek shipyards were early established and it was here that John H. Doxsee, in 1865, started his cannery for seafood. He also ran a four hundred acre farm.

Islip's first school in 1835 was on Main Street just east of the present school. The first schoolmaster, Squire Harry Brewster, was followed by Amos Doxsee who served from 1839 to 1859. He also became principal of the Nassau Institute. When in 1849 a new school was built Henry Clock bought the old one for a barn. The new three-room school in 1872 had 112 pupils. The next school, between Union and Monell Avenues, built in 1884 was gradually enlarged to contain seventeen rooms. A Union Free School District was formed in 1893. In 1921 the present building was built and in 1928 an addition was made.

When Bay Shore and Islip Methodists decided to separate, Islip members in 1850 leased the little school until their church was erected in 1866. The present church was built in 1890.

In 1852 a Presbyterian Chapel was erected in Islip. It was connected with the church at Babylon. In 1857 Islip Presbyterians decided to have their own organization and in 1869 built a church, the present one.

St. Mark's Episcopal Church was started as a mission of St. John's Church at Oakdale. It became a parish in 1847 and the first church building was erected the same year. The rectory was built in 1859 in East Islip and is now a part of the East Islip Hotel. In 1880, the present church was completed, the gift of William K. Vanderbilt. The rectory was built the same year and the parish house in 1891.

The Trinity Lutheran Church began to hold meetings in 1927 in a little store on Main Street. The membership grew so fast that it soon had to move to larger quarters in the old Legion Hall. In 1927, a plot of ground was purchased and the next year the present chapel was built and dedicated.

Islip village is the seat of Town government. The first Town Hall was located on the west side of Grant Avenue. It was built by a syndicate in 1869. The upper floor was occupied by the Masonic Lodge. The second Town Hall was built on Main Street in 1907. It is still used as an adjunct to the present one. The Town Hall now in use is one of the most beautiful in Suffolk County and was dedicated in 1932.