

Pullet Inn

22 Sholver Lane

James Bradley	1868 – 81
Mary Hoyle	1890 – 04
Mark Whitehead	1904 – 16
Clara Whitehead	1916 – 19
Mark Whitehead	1919 - 29
Wm. Whitehead	1929 – 47
Edith Whitehead	1947 – 53
Eric Wood	1953 – 66
Peter Cheetham	1966 – 68
Tom Fallows	1968 – 70
Peter Cheetham	1970 – 72
John Heywood	1972 – 74
Ronald Wood	1974 – 84
Gordon W Lord	1984 – Aug
William Smith	1984 - 87
William Wild	1987 – 89
Albert Inman	1989 – 91
Walter Colton	1991 – Nov
Pamela Ainsworth	1994 - 94
Kathleen Leary	1994 -

The building that became the Pullet Inn can be traced back to a leasehold agreement of 1746 when it was probably built as a farm cottage. Over a century later, in 1862, a licence to sell beer was obtained and the first licensee appears to have been a grocer called James Bradley.

In 1886 the Pullet was in good condition and owned by James Crowder. Four years later Oldham Brewery bought the property and the survey of 1894 noted it was in good repair, with three drinking rooms and three bedrooms. However, the police thought the old building wasn't suitable to be a beerhouse and the back was not enclosed.

In 1904 Mark Whitehead became the licensee and the Whitehead family ran the Pullet until 1953. Eric Wood took over in the latter year and OB made some improvements resulting in the granting of a wine licence on 11th July. Eric was also given the full licence in 1957, the year yours truly first went in. In those days the Pullet was well out in the sticks, as they say.

The pub closed in 1968 for a major refit and when it opened again in 1970 there was a lounge and games room, a lounge bar, three bedrooms, a function room, two kitchens upstairs and even an office! Boddingtons Brewery in 1982 and ten years later the Boddington pub company sold the Pullet to the present owners, Holt.

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