Former Station, Great Glen

Ref: GG/002



Construction Date: 1857

Architect: C. H. Driver

Original Use: Railway Station

Current Use: Commercial

Condition: Good

Occupancy: Occupied

Parish: Great Glen

Ward: Glen

Reason for Inclusion

Historic Interest

Small station, originally called Glen, built as part of the Midland Railway London extension from Leicester to Hitchin which opened in May 1857. The *Illustrated London News* of 23 May 1857 described stations on this line as 'ornamental and picturesque' which highlights the level of investment and pride in the extension. Great Glen station (renamed in 1897) closed in 1964. The station shows the transformative impact of the expansion of the railways.

Architectural Interest

Yellow brick with polychrome brick dressings. Slate roofs. T-plan. Decorative barge boards and cast iron windows. Evidence of original platforms can still be seen. Good example of a small station with highly decorative detailing within the district.