

## Stroud Town Council Local Heritage Asset List

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| Russell Street, The Lord John Public House, GL5 3AB |  |
| Historic building                                   | Conservation Area: Stroud Town Centre<br>Stroud Town Centre NDP area |
| Public house, former Post Office<br>sorting office  | List entry number SLHA0031   |



### Description

Former Post Office sorting office of 1885-6 in brick with stone details; 5 bays and 3 storeys, three substantial doorways on the ground floor, each with a Tudorbethan three light window above and reminiscent of railway station architecture. This imposing building dominates Russell Street and has an air of official grandeur.

There is a large iron, timber and glass roof light in the centre of the building, functional, attractive and almost certainly original.

Now a public house which was named by the pub owners for Lord John Russell, Earl of

Bedford, who was Stroud's MP as well as British Prime Minister.

**Sources**

Verey, D and Brooks, A (2002), The Buildings of England, Gloucestershire 1: The Cotswolds, New Haven and London, Yale University Press ( p.661)

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| <b>Architectural and aesthetic value</b> | <b>Imposing, good quality building in a Victorian official style.</b>                              |
| <b>Historic association</b>              | <b>Former post office sorting office</b>   |
| <b>Landmark status</b>                   | <b>Dominant building in Russell Street.</b>  |
| <b>Degree of completeness</b>            | <b>Exterior complete with some minor alterations to entrances. Some original interior details.</b> |
| <b>Date of inclusion</b>                 | <b>June 2017</b>   |

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