The Cut - Braeside

"The Cut" was opened in 1823.





◄ Chronology of Ownership & Occupancy ►

Feu charter to James McKean, builder from Manchester. James McKean was a brother of Jane McKean, wife of Thomas Campbell, Hill Cottage (Lochlyoch).

1861 census Braeside

Surname	Forename(s)	Rel.	Mar.	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	Occupation	Birthplace
McKean	James	head	m	m	55	provost of Gatehouse	Kbts, Girthon
McKean	Margaret	wife	m	f	54		Wigtown, Kirkinner
McKean	Margaret W	dau		f	13	scholar	England
Martin	Margaret	servant	S	f	23	domestic servant	England

1871 census Braeside

Surname	Forename(s)	Rel.	Mar.	<u>Sex</u>	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
McKeand	James	head	wr	m	65	retired builder (J.P.)	Kbts, Girthon
McKeand	Thomas C	son	S	m	26	brewer	England
McKeand	Maggie F	dau.	S	f	23		England
Gordon	Elizabeth	g-dau.	S	f	13	scholar	England
Caig	Jannet	servant	S	f	32	general servant domestic	Kbts, Twynholm

1880 Sold to Alexander Nish, sometime cattle salesman, Liverpool.

Alexander Nish was a cattle dealer in Liverpool who was born c.1840 in Mochrum. Wigtownshire. He married Jane McLellan in 1868 at Glenluce. Jane was born at Penningham c.1842.

In early 1880 Alexander bought Braeside, but Jane died of TB in April 1880 and Alexander died of the same illness in June of the same year.

The couple's three children were born in Liverpool and they were living at Braeside at the time of the 1881 census.

Charlotte died at Girthon in 1883, aged 9, and is buried at Glenluce. Mary moved to Edinburgh and married John Stewart in 1893. Alexander moved to Hampshire and probably died c.1910. Braeside was sold in 1886.

1881 census Braeside

Surname	Forename(s)	Rel.	Mar.	<u>Sex</u>	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
Oldfield	Margaret	head	w	f	40	housekeeper	England
Nish	Mary			f	10	scholar	England
Nish	Alexander			m	9	scholar	England
Nish	Charlotte			f	7	scholar	England
Caig	Janet	servant	S	f	41	general servant domestic	Kbts, Rerrick

Sold to Thomas Rouet, merchant, London. Thomas Rouet was married to James McKean's daughter.

1888 Sold to Harriet Frances Bellamy or Copland, Abbey House, New Abbey.

Sketch of a young Harriet Copland →

1891 census Braeside

Surname	Forename(s)	Rel.	Mar.	<u>Sex</u>	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
Smith	Margaret	servant	S	f	42	cook domestic	Dumfries, Caerlaverock

1893 Sold to Jessie and John Moodie, Saville Lodge, Halifax.





Photos taken outside Braeside c.1895

1901 census Braeside

Surname	Forename(s)	Rel.	Mar.	<u>Sex</u>	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
Moodie	John	head	m	m	62	retired banker	Ayr, Cumnock
Moodie	Jessie	wife	m	f	64		Midlothian, Edinburgh
Black	Ellen	servant	S	f	21	gen. dom. serv.	Kbts, Urr

1911 census Braeside

Surname	Forename(s)	Rel.	Mar.	Sex	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
Moodie	John	Head	m	m	72	retired banker	Ayr, Old Cumnock
Moodie	Jessie	Wife	m	f	74		Midlothian, Edinburgh
Clark	Isabella	nurse	S	f	66	nurse	Kbts, Gatehouse
Hood	Agnes	servant	S	f	25	general servant (dom.)	Wigtown, Newton Stewart

1917 Sold to Mary Rainsford Hannay or Cliff McCulloch.

1925-26 Valuation Roll. Mary Cliff McCulloh was owner and occupier of the house and offices at Braeside.

Mary Cliff McCulloch's uncle Percival Rainsford Hannay was her agent for the purchase of Braeside. Mary was the 2nd wife of Edward Cliff McCulloch and the couple lived at Kirkclaugh until Edward died in 1915. Two years later Mary moved to live at Braeside.

Prior to moving in during 1917 Braeside was let for a short period to Mr & Mrs Hughes Onslow. The same year (1917) Mary's mother died and her father Ramsay Rainsford Hannay came to live with Mary at Braeside, together with Mary's bachelor uncle Percival. Ramsay died at Braeside in 1933.

Mary Cliff McCulloch died in India, in 1938 whilst on a trip to see her brother Donald who was a head teacher there. Braeside was then sold in 1938.



3 Rainsford Hannay brothers: Ramsay is centre, Percy is another.

1938	Sold to Agne	es Flett wife	e of James Flett.
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- **1940-41** Valuation Roll. James & Agnes S Flett owned and occupied the house and offices at Braeside.
- 1946 Sold to Thomas Barty. Mrs Barty was a daughter of Thomas Rouet.
- 1950-51 Valuation Roll. Thomas Barty owned and occupied the house and offices at Braeside.



James Flett, Clerk of Works at Crichton Hospital

- 1960-61 Valuation Roll. Margaret Barty, widow, owned and occupied the house and offices at Braeside.
- 1965 Sold to Joseph Rankine.
- 1974-75 Valuation Roll. Joseph J. Rankin & Mrs Agnes S. Rankin owned and occupied the house and offices at Braeside.
- 1975 Sold to Archibald Wood.
- 1983 Sold to Commander Fergusson.
- 1995 Sold to present owners.