New Hey Mill



Was built in about 1832 on the site of an earlier woollen mill built by John Roberts, who lived at Forest House,he leased the mill along with its waterwheel to Joshua Hoyle and Sons for 16 years. By this time Joshua had already built Plantation Mill and Hawthorn House. He died a year later, his sons going on to make the business a success. Issac and Edward Hoyle went on to build three more mills.

After the lease expired the New Hey Spinning and Manufacturing Company was formed by a group of local agents, however due to various reasons including strikes the company was dissolved in 1882. The mill was bought by a firm called Lemon and Ongley Ltd. The mill had eventually changed hands again by the turn of the century and like many others was used for the shoe and slipper trade by McLeries.