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Lot 618

1953 Armstrong Siddeley Whitley 18hp Saloon

Registration No: KSG 328

Chassis No: 1813055

MOT: Exempt

Estimate: £4,000 - £5,000

Motor Car Location: North Yorkshire

- Stalled restoration project with lots of hard work done
- Offered with Brown log book, Collection of invoices and old MOTs
- Maintenance manual and V5C document

The Armstrong Siddeley engineering group was created in 1919 by the amalgamation of Armstrong-Whitworth and Siddeley-Deasy. Over its 41 year reign it produced some 30 models of luxury cars and for many years was also one of the UK's largest manufacturers of aero engines. The very week WWII ended in Europe, the company introduced its first post-war models. Their names, Lancaster and Hurricane, echoed those of the immortal aircraft built by the group under the Hawker-Siddeley banner. These large cars - the Lancaster was a four-door Saloon and the Hurricane a Drophead Coupe - were initially powered by OHV 2-litre six cylinder engines, though by 1949 the capacity had been increased to 2.3-litres. The latter were among the 18 Series models (so called because of their 18hp tax rating), the next of which - the Whitley - followed in 1949. The most common versions of the newcomer were the four or six-light Saloons. However, a long wheelbase limousine was offered, plus a Pick-up variant that was aimed at the Australian market. The 2.3-litre engine was mated to either a conventional four-speed manual or Wilson pre-selector gearbox. The front suspension was independent by torsion bars while the rear featured a live axle suspended on leaf springs. Braking was by a Girling hydro-mechanical system. Some 4,321 Whitleys are understood to have been built before the model was superseded by the Sapphire in 1954.

More information to follow: