

ACOL HALL

Notes by A. T. Walker

The land on which the Acol Village Hall stands was conveyed from Mr Charles Griggs to the Rev. Henry A. Serres & others. The Conveyance, dated 29th August 1911, is in the Church safe.

Extract from the Conveyance:-

“Made the 29th day of August 1911 between Charles Griggs of Twenties Farm near Margate, Market Gardener, and the Rev. Henry Arthur Serres of the Vicarage, Birchington, Arthur Benjamin Robinson Rayden of ‘Rockdene’, Albion Road, Birchington, gentleman and Thomas Edward Spencer, Churchwarden, of 18 Minnis Road, Birchington, retired Colonel in His Majesty’s Army (the Trustees), agreed for the sale to the Trustees for the sum of £20.”

Plot – frontage to the road of 64 feet – adjacent ‘Orchard Cottage’ on the left, 57 feet deep – opposite side (right) 48 feet deep – rear 61 feet

Estimated 15 perches

“Conveyed to the Trustees on trust that they shall forthwith erect a Mission Room to be used for the holding of services, meetings, classes and lectures in connection with the Church of England and for such other parochial purposes as the Vicar, for the time being, shall think proper.

“The Trustees shall have the entire and absolute control of the land and buildings. They shall have power at their discretion to delegate such management relegation, repair and care to such person or persons or bodies of persons as they shall think fit, and subject to the approval of the Vicar, for the time being, shall permit all or any of the buildings for the time being, standing on the land to be pulled down, altered or rebuilt.

“It shall be lawful for the Trustees from time to time to mortgage or sell the premises, but such a sale shall have the consent of the Bishop. If sold, the money shall be applied either for, or towards, the acquisition of another Mission Room, to be held on the same Trusts as before, or for such other church work or public charitable purpose as the Trustees shall think fit.”