

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHAPEL

There was a flourishing Baptist group in Birchington from about 1840 onwards. The first Chapel stood in the grounds of Yew Tree House. The 2nd one in Birchington was a purpose-built structure in Canterbury Road, erected after 1840 -50 and well before 1872. It is the building now owned by Mullaney's Roofing. The roof frame structure of the chapel was made of wrought iron girders, worked in the blacksmith's forge opposite the church & still in use. The old chapel is still in very good condition.

When the church's membership outgrew its premises, the old chapel in Canterbury Road was sold for £73.