

# SENIOR SCHOOLS – development

The schools in Birchington were included in the forming of senior departments. The schools were transferred from KEC to Margate Education Committee – a Part III Authority.

In 1938 the Borough Education Committee reorganised the Schools in the Borough in accordance with the Hadow Report and Birchington C of E Schools became a C of E Junior Mixed and Infant School under one Head and King Ethelbert's built.

During the schools' evacuation in WW2, when there were no official schools in Margate, Birchington C of E school was used, along with Church House, for what became known as The Vicar's School, as he acted as its Headmaster. It was provided for the pupils whose parents refused to allow their children to be evacuated to Staffordshire without the parents.

With the 1944 Education Act, the Birchington C of E Schools again reverted to the KEC, because of the dissolving of the Part III Authorities.

The old original school building (erected in c. 1849) was demolished in 1975. Part of that area was then incorporated into a new section now seen at the front of the school buildings, while the rest of the plot was incorporated into a car park for staff and visitors.



Old school – 1970

The new dining hall can be seen behind it on the right



Car park and new building 1976