

substantial harm, total loss or less than substantial harm to its significance.”⁶⁶

“Any harm to, or loss of, the significance of a designated heritage asset (from its alteration or destruction, or from development within its setting), should require clear and convincing justification.

Substantial harm to or loss of:

- a. grade II listed buildings, or grade II registered parks or gardens, should be exceptional;**
- b. assets of the highest significance, notably scheduled monuments, protected wreck sites, registered battlefields, grade I and II* listed buildings, grade I and II* registered parks and gardens, and World Heritage Sites, should be wholly exceptional.”⁶⁷**

Section b) of paragraph 200, which describes assets of the highest significance, also includes footnote 68 of the NPPF, which states that non-designated heritage assets of archaeological interest which are demonstrably of equivalent significance to Scheduled Monuments should be considered subject to the policies for designated heritage assets.

In the context of the above, it should be noted that paragraph 201 reads as follows:

“Where a proposed development will lead to substantial harm to (or total loss of significance of) a designated heritage asset, local planning authorities

should refuse consent, unless it can be demonstrated that the substantial harm or total loss is necessary to achieve substantial public benefits that outweigh that harm or loss, or all of the following apply:

- a. the nature of the heritage asset prevents all reasonable uses of the site; and**
- b. no viable use of the heritage asset itself can be found in the medium term through appropriate marketing that will enable its conservation; and**
- c. conservation by grant-funding or some form of not for profit, charitable or public ownership is demonstrably not possible; and**
- d. the harm or loss is outweighed by the benefit of bringing the site back into use.”⁶⁸**

Paragraph 202 goes on to state:

“Where a development proposal will lead to less than substantial harm to the significance of a designated heritage asset, this harm should be weighed against the public benefits of the proposal including, where appropriate, securing its optimum viable use.”⁶⁹

The NPPF also provides specific guidance in relation to development within Conservation Areas, stating at paragraph 206 that:

⁶⁶ DLUHC, NPPF, para. 199.

⁶⁷ DLUHC, NPPF, para. 200.

⁶⁸ DLUHC, NPPF, para. 201.

⁶⁹ DLUHC, NPPF, para. 202.

“Local planning authorities should look for opportunities for new development within Conservation Areas and World Heritage Sites, and within the setting of heritage assets, to enhance or better reveal their significance. Proposals that preserve those elements of the setting that make a positive contribution to the asset (or which better reveal its significance) should be treated favourably.”⁷⁰

Paragraph 207 goes on to recognise that “not all elements of a World Heritage Site or Conservation Area will necessarily contribute to its significance” and with regard to the potential harm from a proposed development states:

“Loss of a building (or other element) which makes a positive contribution to the significance of the Conservation Area or World Heritage Site should be treated either as substantial harm under paragraph 201 or less than substantial harm under paragraph 202, as appropriate, taking into account the relative significance of the element affected and its contribution to the significance of the Conservation Area or World Heritage Site as a whole.”⁷¹ (our emphasis)

With regards to non-designated heritage assets, paragraph 203 of NPPF states that:

“The effect of an application on the significance of a non-designated heritage asset should be taken into account in determining the application. In weighing

applications that directly or indirectly affect non-designated heritage assets, a balanced judgement will be required having regard to the scale of any harm or loss and the significance of the heritage asset.”⁷²

Overall, the NPPF confirms that the primary objective of development management is to foster the delivery of sustainable development, not to hinder or prevent it. Local Planning Authorities should approach development management decisions positively, looking for solutions rather than problems so that applications can be approved wherever it is practical to do so. Additionally, securing the optimum viable use of sites and achieving public benefits are also key material considerations for application proposals.

National Planning Practice Guidance

The then Department for Communities and Local Government (now the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC)) launched the planning practice guidance web-based resource in March 2014, accompanied by a ministerial statement which confirmed that a number of previous planning practice guidance documents were cancelled.

This also introduced the national Planning Practice Guidance (PPG) which comprised a full and consolidated review of planning practice guidance documents to be read alongside the NPPF.

The PPG has a discrete section on the subject of the Historic Environment, which confirms that the consideration of ‘significance’ in decision taking is important and states:

⁷⁰ DLUHC, NPPF, para 206.

⁷¹ DLUHC, NPPF, para. 207.

⁷² DLUHC, NPPF, para. 203.

“Heritage assets may be affected by direct physical change or by change in their setting. Being able to properly assess the nature, extent and importance of the significance of a heritage asset, and the contribution of its setting, is very important to understanding the potential impact and acceptability of development proposals.”⁷³

In terms of assessment of substantial harm, the PPG confirms that whether a proposal causes substantial harm will be a judgement for the individual decision taker having regard to the individual circumstances and the policy set out within the NPPF. It goes on to state:

“In general terms, substantial harm is a high test, so it may not arise in many cases. For example, in determining whether works to a listed building constitute substantial harm, an important consideration would be whether the adverse impact seriously affects a key element of its special architectural or historic interest. It is the degree of harm to the asset’s significance rather than the scale of the development that is to be assessed. The harm may arise from works to the asset or from development within its setting.

While the impact of total destruction is obvious, partial destruction is likely to have a considerable impact but, depending on the circumstances, it may still be less than substantial harm or conceivably not harmful at all, for example, when removing later inappropriate additions to historic buildings which

harm their significance. Similarly, works that are moderate or minor in scale are likely to cause less than substantial harm or no harm at all. However, even minor works have the potential to cause substantial harm.”⁷⁴ (our emphasis)

National Design Guide:

Section C2 relates to valuing heritage, local history and culture and states:

“When determining how a site may be developed, it is important to understand the history of how the place has evolved. The local sense of place and identity are shaped by local history, culture and heritage, and how these have influenced the built environment and wider landscape.”⁷⁵

“Sensitive re-use or adaptation adds to the richness and variety of a scheme and to its diversity of activities and users. It helps to integrate heritage into proposals in an environmentally sustainable way.”⁷⁶

It goes on to state that:

“Well-designed places and buildings are influenced positively by:

- ***the history and heritage of the site, its surroundings and the wider area, including cultural influences;***

⁷³ DLUHC, PPG, paragraph 007, reference ID: 18a-007-20190723.

⁷⁴ DLUHC, PPG, paragraph 018, reference ID: 18a-018-20190723.

⁷⁵ DLUHC, NDG, para. 46.

⁷⁶ DLUHC, NDG, para. 47.

- *the significance and setting of heritage assets and any other specific features that merit conserving and enhancing;*
- *the local vernacular, including historical building typologies such as the terrace, town house, mews, villa or mansion block, the treatment of façades, characteristic materials and details – see Identity.*

Today's new developments extend the history of the context. The best of them will become valued as tomorrow's heritage, representing the architecture and placemaking of the early 21st century.⁷⁷

⁷⁷ DLUHC, NDG, paras. 48–49.

Appendix 6: Relevant Development Plan Policies

Applications for Planning Permission and Listed Building Consent where relevant, within Headcorn are currently considered against the policy and guidance set out within the the Maidstone Borough Local Plan which was adopted on the 25th October 2017.

The following policy from the Local Plan relates to the historic environment:

Policy SP 18- The Historic Environment

To ensure their continued contribution to the quality of life in Maidstone Borough, the characteristics, distinctiveness, diversity and quality of heritage assets will be protected and, where possible, enhanced. This will be achieved by the council encouraging and supporting measures that secure the sensitive restoration, reuse, enjoyment, conservation and/or enhancement of heritage assets, in particular designated assets identified as being at risk, to include:

- i. Collaboration with developers, landowners, parish councils, groups preparing neighbourhood plans and heritage bodies on specific heritage initiatives including bids for funding;***

- ii. Through the development management process, securing the sensitive management and design of development which impacts on heritage assets and their settings;***
- iii. Through the incorporation of positive heritage policies in neighbourhood plans which are based on analysis of locally important and distinctive heritage; and***
- iv. Ensuring relevant heritage considerations are a key aspect of site master plans prepared in support of development allocations and broad locations identified in the local plan.***



Appendix 7: List Entry

THE MOAT

Official list entry

Heritage Category: Listed Building

Grade: II

List Entry Number: 1060848

Date first listed: 21-Oct-1986

Statutory Address 1: THE MOAT, MOAT ROAD

Location

Statutory Address: THE MOAT, MOAT ROAD

The building or site itself may lie within the boundary of more than one authority.

County: Kent

District: Maidstone (District Authority)

Parish: Headcorn

National Grid Reference: TQ 83069 44367

Details

HEAD CORN MOAT ROAD TQ 8344 (North side)

10/85 The Moat (Formerly listed as float Farm House) 26.4.68 II

Farmhouse, now house. Early to mid C16, restored 1960's. Timber framed. Ground floor red brick in stretcher bond, first floor tile-hung. Plain tile roof. Lobby entry plan. Probably 4 timber-framed bays including smoke, now stack, bay. 2 storeys, formerly with continuous jetty, returned to left. Hipped roof, with gablet to right. Brick ridge stack off-centre to left and truncated projecting brick stack to right gable end. Irregular



fenestration of three 3 light casements. Tripartite sashes to ground floor. Panelled door with 2 top lights up 3 steps beneath stack. Open gabled timber porch. C18 or early C19 rear wing to left, ground floor red brick, first floor weatherboarded. Interior: only partly inspected. Exposed framing. Moulded beams and joists. Said to have crown post roof. Formerly a moated site.

Listing NGR: TQ8298044404

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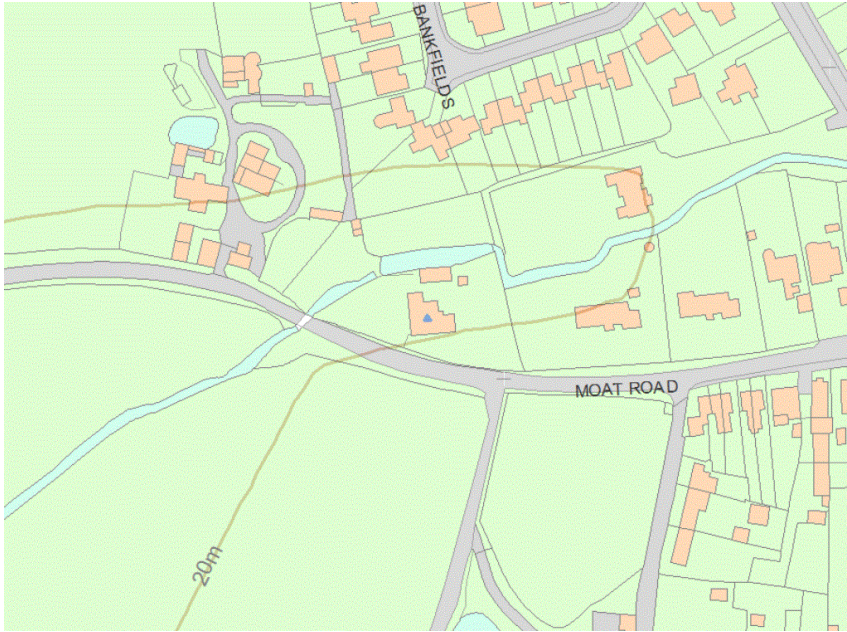
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Legal

This building is listed under the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 as amended for its special architectural or historic interest.



End of official list entry



Appendix 8: Documents relating to Monitoring Post

From: D559

Approved
1962-5

DATED 9th September 1960

ROYAL OBSERVER CORPS POST

THE MASTER FELLOWS & SCHOLARS OF
SAINT JOHN'S COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE

-to-

THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR AIR

Counterpart/

L E A S E

of a plot of land in the Parish of Headcorn
in the County of Kent.

Term commences 29th September 1959
For years 21
Term expires 29th September 1980

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JMS
HS



PRESENTED A.
5 DEC 1960
No. 34507

THIS LEASE is made the ninth day of September 1960
thousand nine hundred and sixty BETWEEN THE MASTER



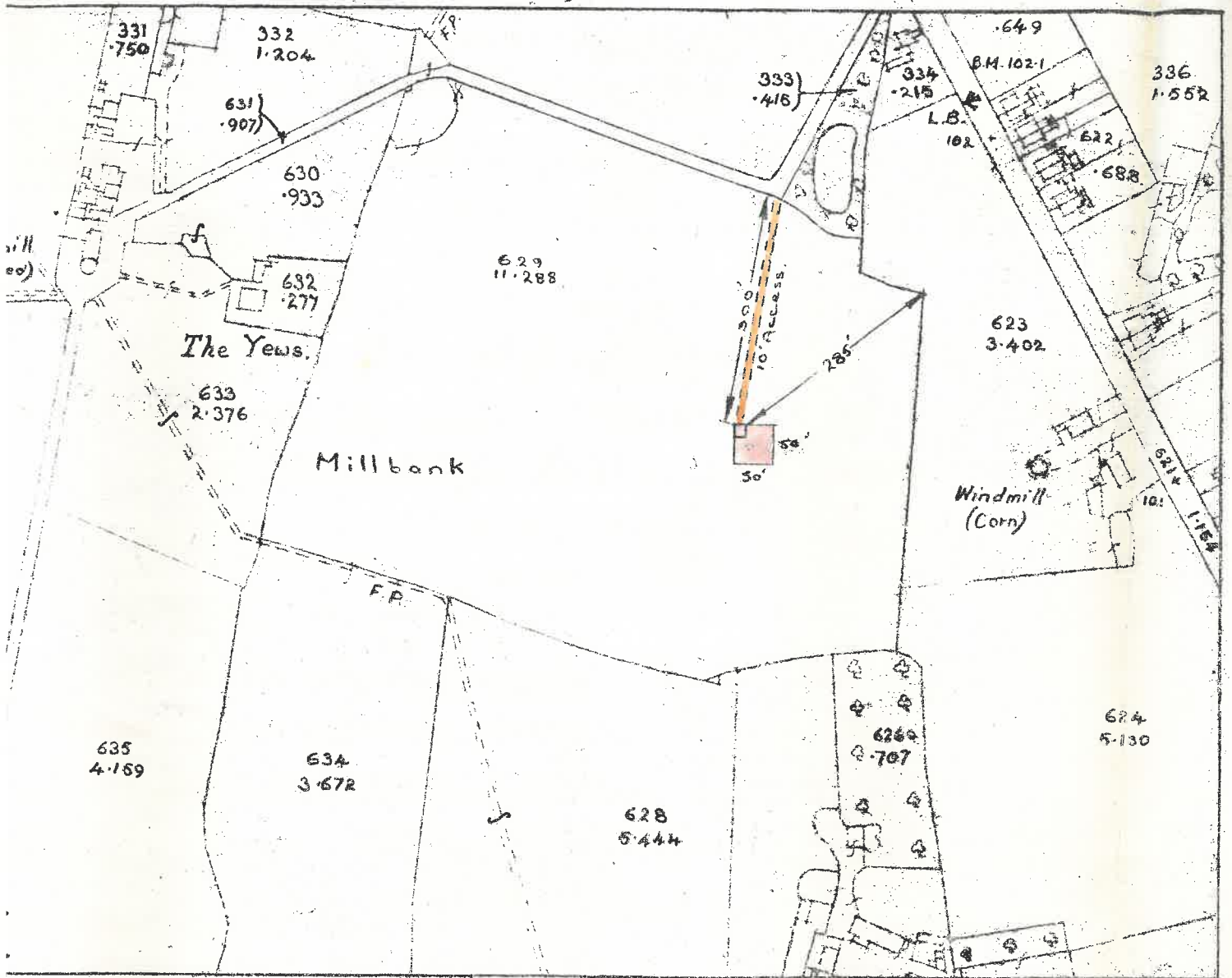
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called "the Lessor" which expression shall where the c
admits include the immediate reversioner for the time being
expectant on the term hereby created) of the one part and
the SECRETARY OF STATE FOR AIR (hereinafter called "the
Secretary of State" which expression shall wherever the
subject or context so requires or admits include his
successors in title and the persons deriving title under
him or them) for and on behalf of Her Majesty of the other
part

WITNESSETH as follows:-

1. IN consideration of the rent hereinafter reserved and
of the covenants by the Secretary of State hereinafter
contained the Lessor doth hereby lease and grant unto the
Secretary of State ALL THAT piece or parcel of land
containing 277 square yards or thereabouts situate in the
Parish of Headcorn in the County of Kent and being part of
the field or enclosure numbered 629 on the Ordnance Survey
Map for the said Parish (1908 Edition) as the same is more
particularly delineated with the dimensions boundaries and
abuttals thereof on the plan attached hereto and thereon
coloured pink and is hereinafter referred to as "the
demised premises" TOGETHER with the right for the Secretary
of State to use the demised premises for the purposes of
the Royal Observer Corps and to construct and maintain
thereon and thereunder a Royal Observer Corps Post and

buildings and erections including underground structures required in connection therewith AND TOGETHER ALSO with the right of bringing fitting and fixing on over and under the demised premises and the buildings for the time being there (in such manner as the Secretary of State may deem necessary or expedient) cables pipes earth wires and other apparatus appliances and things used for or incidental to any purpose connected with the use occupation and enjoyment of the demised premises by the Secretary of State and the right of removing all or any of the said apparatus (which term shall mean and include the buildings cables pipes earth wires apparatus appliances and things hereinbefore mentioned) at or within a reasonable time after the expiration or other sooner determination of or at any time during the term hereby granted AND TOGETHER ALSO with the easements and rights specified in the Schedule hereto to the end and intent that the same shall during the term hereby granted be appurtenant to the demised premises for all purposes connected with the use occupation and enjoyment thereof TO HOLD the demised premises and the said easements and rights hereby granted unto the Secretary of State from the twenty ninth day of September One thousand nine hundred and fifty nine for the term of twenty one years determinable nevertheless as hereinafter provided YIELDING AND PAYING therefor during the said term the yearly rent of Three pounds payable on the twenty ninth day of September in each year the first of such payments to be made on the twenty ninth day of September One thousand nine hundred and sixty



HEADCORN

Scale 1/2500

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 Sheet used Kent LXIII. 2.
 008. Ph: Headcorn.

Air Ministry
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2. THE Secretary of State hereby covenants with the Lessor as follows:-

(a) During the said term to pay the rent on the days and in manner aforesaid

(b) To pay or indemnify the Lessor against all rates and taxes payable by or charged upon the occupiers of the demised premises but excluding property tax owners drainage rate (if any) and land tax which excluded rate and taxes if paid by the Secretary of State shall be repaid by the Lessor to the Secretary of State whether or not the demised premises shall be in the occupation of the Crown and also except Tithe Redemption Annuity

(c) To erect and during the said term to maintain a concrete post and six strand wire boundary fence four feet high with posts at eight feet centres on the North South East and West sides of the demised premises

(d) Not to assign underlet or part with the possession of the demised premises or any part thereof (except to another Government Department) without first obtaining the written consent of the Lessor

(e) On the Secretary of State vacating the demised premises on the determination of this lease or any extension thereof to carry out the following works that is to say:-

(1) to remove any surface buildings and erections (including boundary fences and such parts of any underground structure as may project above the surface) then remaining on the demised premises and to reinstate the surface of the sites thereof as nearly as may be to its original condition prior to the erection of such buildings and erections

(2) to break down the concrete roof and walls of any underground structure then remaining below the surface of the demised premises to a depth of three feet below natural ground level or to the depth of the top soil whichever is the less and to fill in the remainder of such underground structure and to consolidate and level the surface at ground level

PROVIDED ALWAYS that in lieu of all or any such removal and reinstatement works the Secretary of State shall be entitled if he thinks fit to pay to the Lessor a sum of money equal to the reasonable cost of carrying out any work for which he is liable under this sub-clause but does not carry out such sum failing agreement to be determined by arbitration pursuant to Clause 5 hereof

3. THE Lessor hereby covenants with the Secretary of State that the Secretary of State paying the rent hereinbefore reserved and observing and performing the lessees covenants and conditions herein contained shall and may peaceably and quietly hold possess and enjoy the demised premises and the said easements and rights during the said term without any interruption molestation or disturbance from or by the Lessor or any persons claiming under or in trust for him

4. PROVIDED ALWAYS and it is hereby agreed and declared as follows:-

(a) It shall be lawful for the Secretary of State to put an end to these presents and the term hereby granted by giving to the Lessor not less than six months previous notice in writing to that effect expiring at any time and immediately

after the expiration of such notice this Lease shall cease and determine but without prejudice to any claim by either party against the other in respect of any antecedent breach of any covenant or condition herein contained

(b) Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to impose on the Secretary of State any obligation to repair or maintain any buildings or erections or other things placed upon the demised premises by the Secretary of State except as regards boundary fences (if any) to the extent hereinbefore expressly provided or to insure the same against any risk whatsoever

(c) If the said rent hereby reserved or any part thereof shall be unpaid for thirty days next after any of the days whereon the same ought to have been paid as aforesaid (the same having been first demanded) or if there shall be any breach non-observance or non-performance of any of the covenants by the Secretary of State herein contained then and in such case it shall be lawful for the Lessor into and upon the demised premises or any part thereof in the name of the whole to re-enter and the same to have again repossess and enjoy as in the first and former estate

5. ALL questions and differences whatsoever (if not by this Lease expressly to be determined by either of the parties hereto) which shall at any time hereafter arise between the parties hereto either as to the construction meaning operation or effect of this Lease or of any clause herein contained or as to the rights duties or liabilities of the parties hereto respectively or their respective representatives or any of them under or by virtue of this

Lease or the subject-matter thereof shall be referred to and determined by a single Arbitrator who failing agreement between the parties shall be appointed by the President of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors in accordance with and subject to the provisions of The Arbitration Act 1950 or any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force

6. ANY notice required to be given or served under these presents and not herein otherwise provided for shall be served on the Secretary of State by being forwarded by registered post to him at The Air Ministry London W.C.1. or other the last known place of abode or business in England or Wales of any assignee in whom for the time being the said term shall be vested and shall be sufficiently served on the Lessor if addressed to him and left at or sent by registered post to his usual or last known place of abode in England or Wales and a notice so sent by post shall be deemed to be given at the time when it ought in due course of post to be delivered at the address to which it is sent

IN WITNESS whereof to one part of these presents with the Secretary of State remaining the Lessor has hereunto caused its Common Seal to be affixed and to the other part hereof with the Lessor remaining the Secretary of State has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first before written

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the Secretary of State his successors and assigns as lessee for the time being of the demised premises and all persons authorised by him or them in common with the Lessor at all times during the term hereby granted and with or without animals and vehicles of every kind to pass and repass over and along the strip of land ten feet wide coloured brown on the said plan annexed hereto and hereinafter referred to as "the right of way" and from time to time to carry out such works of repair and improvement to the surface of the right of way as the Secretary of State may think fit but without being under any obligation or duty so to do SECONDLY the full and free right liberty and authority for the Secretary of State his successors and assigns as such lessee as aforesaid and all persons authorised by him or any of them at all times during the term hereby granted to lay construct renew maintain test inspect and use cables pipes and telephone and earth wires with the necessary fittings across the land of the Lessor along in and under the right of way and for the purpose of exercising this right to excavate in the right of way the Secretary of State doing as little damage as possible and making good at his own expense any damage thereby caused to the land or crops of the Lessor and his tenants

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED)
on behalf of the Secretary)
of State for Air by)
... FRANK WOOD a person)
authorised in that behalf)
pursuant to Section 26(4) of)
the Air Navigation Act 1936)
in the presence of:-)

Name _____
Address _____
Occupation _____

Frank Wood
Civil Servant.

3. Wood
A 11/74



ROYAL OBSERVER CORPS.

FORM OF AGREEMENT FOR OBSERVER POST.

AN AGREEMENT made this 29th day of September 1941 1950.

Between Messrs. K. D. REEVES & SON.

(hereinafter called "the Landlord") of the one part, and the SECRETARY OF STATE FOR AIR (hereinafter called "the Secretary of State") of the other part.

1. The Landlord grants to the Secretary of State a tenancy of the land described in the Schedule hereto, together with right of access thereto and the right to erect and maintain on the said land such buildings as are necessary for a post for the Royal Observer Corps. The tenancy shall be from the date of this Agreement until the 29th day of September next following and thereafter from year to year, but terminable by either party by three months' notice in writing expiring on 29th day of September. The rent to be paid by the Secretary of State shall be at the rate of 20/- Twenty shillings per annum, the first payment to be made on completion of this Agreement and to be the appropriate proportion of the annual rent applicable for the period from the date of this Agreement to the 29th day of September next following. Subsequent payments are to be made on the 29th day of September in each year.

2. The Secretary of State agrees:—

(1) To pay the said rent at the time and in the manner aforesaid.

(2) To indemnify the Landlord against payment of any rates which may be assessed on the land, the subject of this tenancy.

(3) To use the land only for the purpose of the Royal Observer Corps.

(4) To erect and maintain a stockproof fence on the boundaries of the said land.

(5) On termination of the tenancy to pay fair compensation to the Landlord for damage caused to the said land arising from Royal Observer Corps user. Claims for compensation must be sent to the Secretary of State within fourteen days of the removal of any works as provided for in Clause 4.

3. The Landlord agrees that the Secretary of State paying the said rent and performing and observing the conditions of this Agreement, shall be entitled to quiet enjoyment of the land.

4. The Landlord agrees that the Secretary of State shall be permitted, within a period of one month from the date of termination of this Agreement, to remove any buildings or other works placed on the said land at any time during the currency of the tenancy.

5. It is mutually agreed:—

(1) That any dispute as to compensation for damage under this Agreement shall be referred to the arbitration of a single arbitrator to be agreed upon by both parties, or failing agreement to be appointed by the President of the Chartered Surveyors' Institution, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration Acts, 1889 to 1934.

(2) The Secretary of State shall not be debarred hereby from the exercise of any rights lawfully conferred or to be conferred on him by Statute, Order in Council or otherwise, and any right to compensation for acts done by the Secretary of State or persons acting under his authority outside the scope of this Agreement to which the Landlord may by law be entitled shall not be prejudiced by this Agreement.

The Schedule above referred to

Map. No. 125, Grid reference 268632.

R.O.C. Post 1/G.1. Headcorn.

As Witness the hands of the parties hereto

Witness to the signature of {

D. D. DANIELS

B. J. REEVES (Partner)

Witness to the signature of {

E. M. HARPER
on behalf of the Secretary
of State for Air

J. F. R. WILLIAMS.

**FORM OF CONSENT TO BE SIGNED BY THE OWNER OF THE
LAND IN CASES IN WHICH THE LANDLORD IS HIMSELF
ONLY A TENANT**

As the Estate Owner of the lands referred to in the above written agreement,
~~I~~ ^(*Insert full name in block letters.) ~~THE~~ ~~GEORGE WEBB & CO.,~~ Agents of St. John's College Cambridge consent thereto and agree that the terms of the above written Agreement shall be binding on the Estate Owner for the time being of the said lands.

Dated this 29th day of MAY 194 52.

Witness to the signature of {

M. CHERRISON.

G. WEBB & CO.,
Agents to St. John's College,
Cambridge.



DEFENCE LANDS OFFICE

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

Chaucer Barracks, CANTERBURY, Kent

Army Network: Canterbury Military } ext. 29
GPO: Canterbury 65281, }

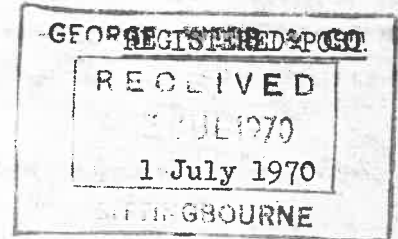
Please address any reply to

DEFENCE LAND AGENT

and quote: CAN 2/2/98/72

Your reference

Messrs Geo. Webb & Co.,
43 Park Road
Sittingbourne, Kent



HEADCORN - ROC POST

Following my discussion with Mr J B Clarke on 9 June, I met the tenant farmer, Mr Reeves, on the site on 15 June and discussed the possibilities of his making use of the underground chamber. Since ~~deciding~~ that it would be of no value to him I am asking the Ministry of Public Building and Works to carry out reinstatement work called for under the provisions of the Lease and I enclose formal Notice of the Ministry's intention to terminate the Lease on 31 January 1971.

Perhaps you would let me have your acknowledgment on behalf of your client in due course.

Yours faithfully

G WALLACE-CLARKE
for Defence Land Agent
Canterbury

GWC/CRB

Encl: Termination Notice (2)



On behalf of the Secretary of State for Defence I hereby give you notice that in accordance with paragraph 4(a) of the Lease dated 9th September 1960 between the Masters Fellows and Scholars of College of Saint John the Evangelist and the Secretary of State for Air, the Secretary of State for Defence will quit and deliver up possession of the demised premises in the parish of Headcorn in the County of Kent on 31st January 1971.

Dated this First day of July One thousand nine hundred and seventy.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to be 'Alan Clark', written over a horizontal line.

for Defence Land Agent
Canterbury

The Masters, Fellows and Scholars
College of Saint John the Evangelist
University of Cambridge
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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

Chaucer Barracks, CANTERBURY, Kent

Army Network: Canterbury Military

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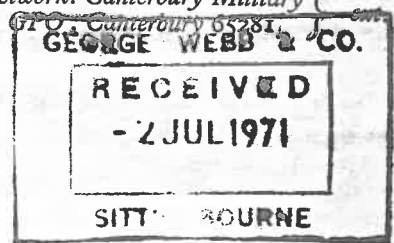
Please address any reply to

DEFENCE LAND AGENT

and quote:

Your reference JC/MEN

CAN 2/2/98/72



Messrs George Webb & Co
43 Park Road
Sittingbourne, Kent

30 June 1971

Dear Sirs

RCC POST HEADCORN

I understand from the Department of the Environment that the reinstatement work at the above Post has now been completed and that the tenant farmer is satisfied with the work.

May I now have your confirmation that the work also meets the approval of your clients.

Yours faithfully

G WALLACE-CLARKE
for Defence Land Agent
Canterbury

GWC/RS

Copy to: Mr Reeves
Mote Farm
Headcorn, Kent.

8th July

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Your ref CAN/2/2/98/72
Our ref JC/C

Dear Sirs,

ROC Post, Heacorn.

Thank you for your letter of 30th June informing us that reinstatement work at the above post has been completed. We have spoken to the farm tenant over the telephone and understand that the site is now reseeded, and provided that he is fully satisfied with the position, it will meet with our clients' approval.

Yours faithfully,

Defence Lands Office,
Ministry of Defence,
Chaucer Barracks
Canterbury.



Appendix 9: Geophysical Survey Report



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**Archaeological
Services**

Land at Moat Road

Headcorn

Kent

Geophysical Survey

Report no. 3946
March 2023

Client: Catesby Estates Plc



Land at Moat Road, Headcorn, Kent

Geophysical Survey

Summary

A geophysical (magnetometer) survey was undertaken on approximately 7 hectares of land located to the west of Headcorn, Kent. Anomalies associated with the past agricultural use of the Site including former field boundaries and cultivation have been detected. A large ferrous response corresponds with the site of a Royal Observer Corps Underground Monitoring Post whilst other ferrous responses are associated with a former pylon, possible areas of hard standing or rubble, interference from an electricity substation and metal fencing within the boundaries. Uncertain responses within the dataset are likely to be of an agricultural nature, although an archaeological interest cannot be ruled out entirely. Based on the geophysical survey, the archaeological potential of this Site is deemed to be low.

Report Information

Client: Catesby Estates Plc
Report Type: Geophysical Survey
Location: Headcorn
County: Kent
Grid Reference: TQ 8291 4457
Period(s) of activity: Modern
Report Number: 3946
Project Number: XI88
Site Code: HCK23
OASIS ID: archaeo111-514243
Date of fieldwork: March 2023
Date of report: March 2023
Project Management: Emma Brunning BSc MCifA
Fieldwork: Jake Freeman BA
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