

Milton Farmhouse

In the 19th and early 20th centuries Milton Farm was owned by the Barclay family but when all 700 or so acres of the Bury Hill Estate were offered for sale on 25 July 1914 following the death of Robert Barclay in April 1913 the only lot to be sold was Lot 7 – ‘An exceedingly desirable small property known as Milton Farm abutting the main road between Westcott and Dorking and embracing an area of about 28 acres, 1 rod and 21 perches.’

The Farmhouse was described as

‘A comfortable brick and tiled building with small lawn in front, and containing: Porch, Dining Room, Office, Kitchen, with small range; Scullery, with copper and sink; Back kitchen, with sink having water laid on, and copper; Dairy, Larder and Underground Cellar. On the first floor are: Four Bed Rooms each with fireplace; Box Room; and there are Three attics on the Floor above. Gas is laid on to some of the Downstairs Rooms. There is a WC outside.

The Farm Buildings are conveniently adjacent and face two enclosed yards. The Set near the house consists of timber and tiled granary, cart-horse stable for three, root house, cow stall for ten, detached brick and tiled mixing house, with copper; timber and tiled barn with loft over and two pigstyes adjoining. NB Another pigstye at the end of the cow stall is in hand. A detached range, comprises a timber and tiled three-bay wagon shed and feeding shed for ten, with loose box at the end; and an old brick and pantiled granary or root house.

Messrs John Jakson & Co. Ltd. were the tenants of the farm at this time with an 8 years’ lease from Michaelmas 1907.



The lot was bought by Mr Dudley Cory Wright for £2325.

Milton Farm House with gardens, outbuildings and a paddock but no other land was offered for sale again on 27 July 1931 by the Executors of D Cory Wright Esq. [It was bought by W H Monk Esq for £1,700?]. At the same time the large fields to the west were sold as ‘highly valuable building land’ and bought for £10,000 by local builder W Smith. Within a couple of years Milton Avenue was constructed on the site.