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COBB PAPERS

1842

This is a huge INDENTURE for the transfer of 52 lots of property and land under the will of Francis Cobb jun. of a Brewery and Public Houses owned by the family business. They were to be transferred to the use of Francis William Cobb, William Chippendale and Henry Chippendale. Other family members appear to have also had an interest in it, including the Rev. William Francis Cobb, a working priest.

The transfer also included a few plots of land and a few individual houses in Margate. The value of these properties was a vast amount of money – over £23,000.

There are detailed plans of all the properties and land drawn by William Edmunds, Surveyor of Margate.

The Crown and Sceptre at Acol, as well as The Bell Inn and The Sun Inn at St Nicholas-at-Wade.

THE POWELL ARMS

This is among those that came up for sale in 1842 and the plans have been traced.

One additional feature of the drawing that is of particular interest is that the CAGE, which once stood in the Square, was attached to the wall of the Powell Arms. It stood more or less where the two telephone kiosks now stand.