



A Home amid the Pines

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I learned this, at least, by my experiment, that if one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavours to live the life he has imagined, he will meet with success unexpected in common hours. If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now put the foundations under them.

THOREAU.

THE WOODHAM HALL ESTATE

WOODHAM LANE
WOKING - SURREY
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IT is most difficult at the present time to find a good building site within easy reach of London, the environments of which are safe from the future haphazard development by the speculative builder. If great care is not taken in the selection of the site, the value of the house may quickly depreciate without any possible redress for the Owner. This is especially tragic in the case of those people whose purchase of a house represents possibly, one of the big financial investments of their lives. It is essential also that the site should be pleasantly situated, with delightful views; be conveniently near shops and the railway station; and all public services should be immediately available.

Altitude and the nature of the soil are other important points to consider as in the event of these not being agreeable, the health of the inhabitant must invariably suffer. Generally a good dry soil with a gravel subsoil at an altitude of approximately 100 ft. will suit the majority of people.

A building site having all the foregoing advantages, must be regarded as almost perfect and consequently very difficult to find.

It has ever been a matter of wonder,

that Surrey has managed, in spite of unceasing efforts to suburbanise her, to retain her sylvan beauty. It is a county of gentle heights, pine woods, commons and stream fed villages, of greens upon which cattle graze and cricketers play, of half-timbered antique houses of red brick and church spires rising above leafy trees.

Harsh weather is never experienced in this protected inland area. Winters are never severe, the prevailing winds are warm and the sunshine above the average.

Lying midway between Weybridge and Guildford and almost entirely surrounded by open, gorse-covered



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commonland relieved by picturesque pine forests, is the town of Woking, which although thoroughly up-to-date with its fine shops and social amenities, still retains an old time atmosphere which renders it altogether charming.

Woking is very central and conveniently situated to London and the South Coast as the map on page 10 will disclose. Express trains from Waterloo make the run in 32 minutes and there is an excellent Green Line coach service from Town. To nearby parishes and villages such as Chertsey, buses leave Woking Station at frequent intervals, while pleasant avenue like roads lead to the main roads for the Coast and West of England. This is of special interest to those possessing a car.

One mile to the North of Woking near the six cross roads is the Woodham Hall Estate, a beautiful Park of 65 acres, recently purchased for development by Mr. Thomas Higgs, a builder and engineering contractor of wide experience, ability and unimpeachable reputation. His artistic perception is evident in the planning of the Estate, for by laying the roads on the old carriage drives and retaining where possible the pine, fir, birch and oak trees as well as the rhododendrons and other shrubs, the sylvan beauties of old Woodham Hall have been retained. It is here that the almost perfect building sites are for sale. Already many houses, some of which are shown in this book, have been built



to the individual requirements of the owners, and being in every case planned and designed by a competent Architect they harmonise perfectly with the natural surroundings.

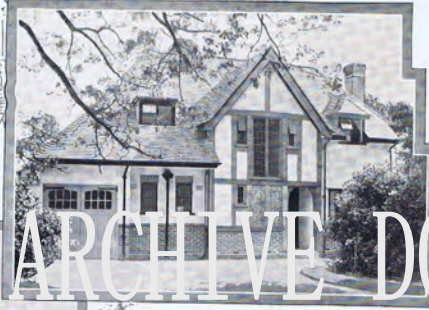
FIRST-CLASS CONSTRUCTION

In the construction of each house only the best materials are used by competent workmen and so confident is the Estate owner in the quality of the work and materials used that he invites you to instruct your own surveyor to report on any of the houses which have been built to meet the requirements of those who desire to take immediate possession, as well as those in course of construction.

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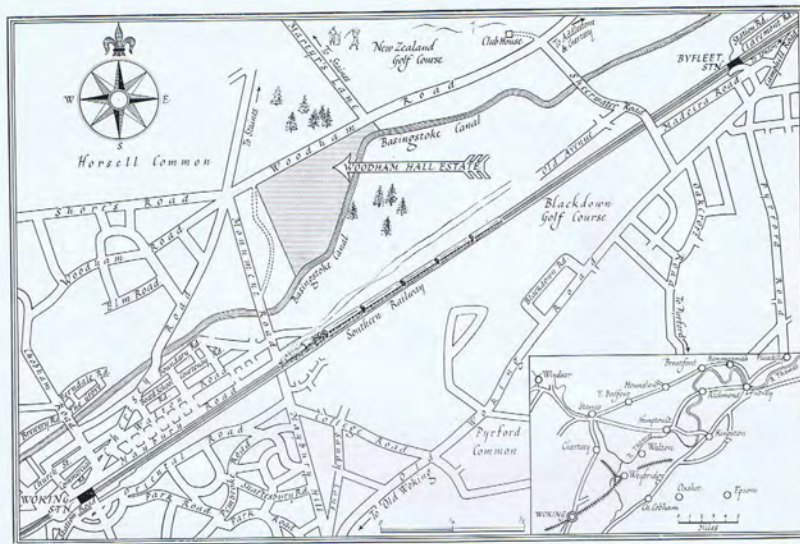
Two reception rooms, four bedrooms, two bathrooms, all main services, conveniences and offices. Garage. 100 ft. Frontage, large garden.
FREEHOLD £1,950.



Two reception rooms, four bedrooms, bathroom, all main services, conveniences, and offices, Garage, large garden, 60 ft. Frontage.
FREEHOLD £1,525.

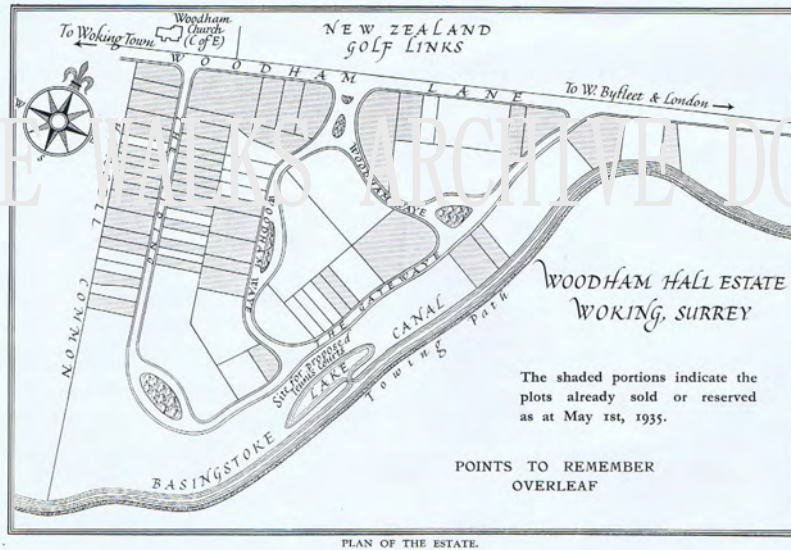


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MAP SHOWING THE POSITION OF ESTATE AND DISTANCE FROM LONDON.

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Eleven

POINTS TO REMEMBER

1. The Estate cannot be encroached upon or spoiled by further surrounding development.
2. First class materials, fittings and workmanship.
3. Prices quoted include fencing, gates, paths and drives.
4. All plots freehold, no tithe charges.
5. Every house fitted with:—Lavatory basin, W.C. to cloakroom adjoining Hall.
Oak parquet flooring to Hall.
Superb bathroom, latest type chromium fittings, artistic tiling with heated towel rails.
Modern and spacious kitchens.
6. Elevations architecturally designed for aspect.
7. No road charges.
8. Generous financial terms if required.



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