

Account of Purley on Thames Marsh Farm (South)

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Background

Marsh Farm formed part of the manor of Purley La Hyde and was to the extreme west of the parish. It was divided by the main road (A329) and this section refers only to the developments on the south side of this road. To the south of the developed area lay the marsh which gave the farm its name. This stretched between the Sul Brook and the River Pang and was frequently flooded.

Briars Close

Briars Close is a modern housing development on the south side of the A329. The boundary between it and the school was the ancient parish boundary between Purley and Pangbourne.

Sulham Lane

Sulham Lane was a comparatively old road linking Sulham to Pangbourne. It had been diverted several times as the canal and Sulham Brook were rerouted to provide context for Purley Hall. Some of the houses on the Briars Close development were built with access from the west side of Sulham Lane.

