Sun Inn RS Exhibition 2003

Display text & photographs relating to the Sun Inn, Whitwell Road (School Road), Sun Barn Pit.

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The first range of buildings along the south side of the Market Place was formerly the Sun Inn. Its outhouses originally stretched even further into Townsend Corner. The present butcher's shop is in what used to be the Sun stables.

The Sun was a pleasant old fashioned inn with a thatched roof. It has been rebuilt since than and the outline of a gable wall can still be seen against Ivy House — now the solicitor's office. It provided the usual services during the markets and fair days with room for stabling and watering horses as well as running coach and carrier services into Norwich.

The Sun Barn estate included fields and a farm, the large Sun Barn along the road and the bowling green now used by the town Bowls Club. We are displaying the sale catalogue which gives a clearer idea of the estate and which included the map on display today.

The back view of the Sun Inn makes us realise just how much bigger it was than its present appearance from the front suggests. These buildings are now several flats.



The Sun Inn.



The back of the old Sun Inn



Whitwell Road showing the rear of the Sun Inn, Sun Barn Pit, Walkers Furniture Stores, garage on the right, newer garage building on left.

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