

ESSEX HERITAGE CONSERVATION RECORD/ESSEX ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORY

SUMMARY SHEET

Site name/Address: The Mission Hall, The Street, Dunmow Road, High Roding, Essex. CM6 1NT.	
Parish: High Roding	District: Uttlesford District Council
NGR: TL 60185 17013	Site Code: HRMH08
Type of Work: Historic analysis and photo record of building	Site Director/Team: E Watkin
Date of Work: March 2008	Size of Area Investigated: 60 sq. metres
Location of Finds/Curating Museum: N/A	Funding source: Owner
Further Seasons Anticipated?: No	Related EHCR No.s: None
Final Report: Yes	
Periods Represented: C19	
SUMMARY OF FIELDWORK RESULTS: This work was undertaken to satisfy a condition of planning approval for change of use and conversion to residential use. The building is from the late nineteenth century. It is timber framed, possibly from a typical kit type building of the time. The outside has a double feature gable to the front and a timber porch with a slate roof. The outer surface is covered in lime plaster fine ashlar lined above a brick plinth. It has vertical sliding sash windows with three vertical panes to each sash, the lower level being originally obscure glass. The inside has a high dado panelling to the underside of the windows with lime plaster above. All of the timber frame is Scandinavian softwood with a very simple primary braced nailed structure to which the riven laths are nailed. It was directly connected to the adjoining cottage when built and the area of the access door is shown by a break in the panelling alongside a chimney stack that is now covered by a drop down timber panelled door. The front entrance door is well made with inset panels moulded to the same section as the window surrounds. A fitted storage cupboard and a fixed bench survive at the two front corners. At the far end is a raised stage with a simple divided altar rail to either side of a single access step. The window at this end is larger than the others and has opening lights controlled by a rope mechanism. The roof structure is not visible above the collar level but four iron ties are fitted at plate level.	
Previous Summaries/Reports: None	
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