

OMBERSLEY WW1 REMEMBERED RESEARCH COLLECTION FORM

Items marked with * represent the basic level of information we aim to find for each 'Blue Plaque'

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| The Dower House | <p>The Dower House was home to the Hon Cecil Josephine Sandys, fourth daughter of Arthur Marcus Cecil Sandys, 3rd Lord Sandys, Baron of Ombersley. Born in London in 1843, Cecil grew up between Ombersley Court and the family's London town house. She never married. In 1911, she is recorded as having a cook and a maidservant.</p> <p>Cecil was Arthur and Louisa's 5th daughter. Her father's title passed to her younger brothers, Augustus Frederick Arthur Sandys, 4th Lord Sandys (1840-1904) and then Michael Edwin Marcus Sandys, 5th Lord Sandys (1855-1948).</p> |
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| RESEARCHER NAME(S) | Tim Packer /Jeanette Horn / Jenni Waugh | | | |
| *House name | In 2017 | The Dower House | In 1914 | The Dower House |
| *Road | Holt Fleet Road, Ombersley | | | |
| *Where in the parish? | Opposite the gates to Ombersley Court | | | |
| *What purpose during WW1? | Residential house. | | | |

*RESIDENTS OF HOUSE ACCORDING TO 1911 CENSUS

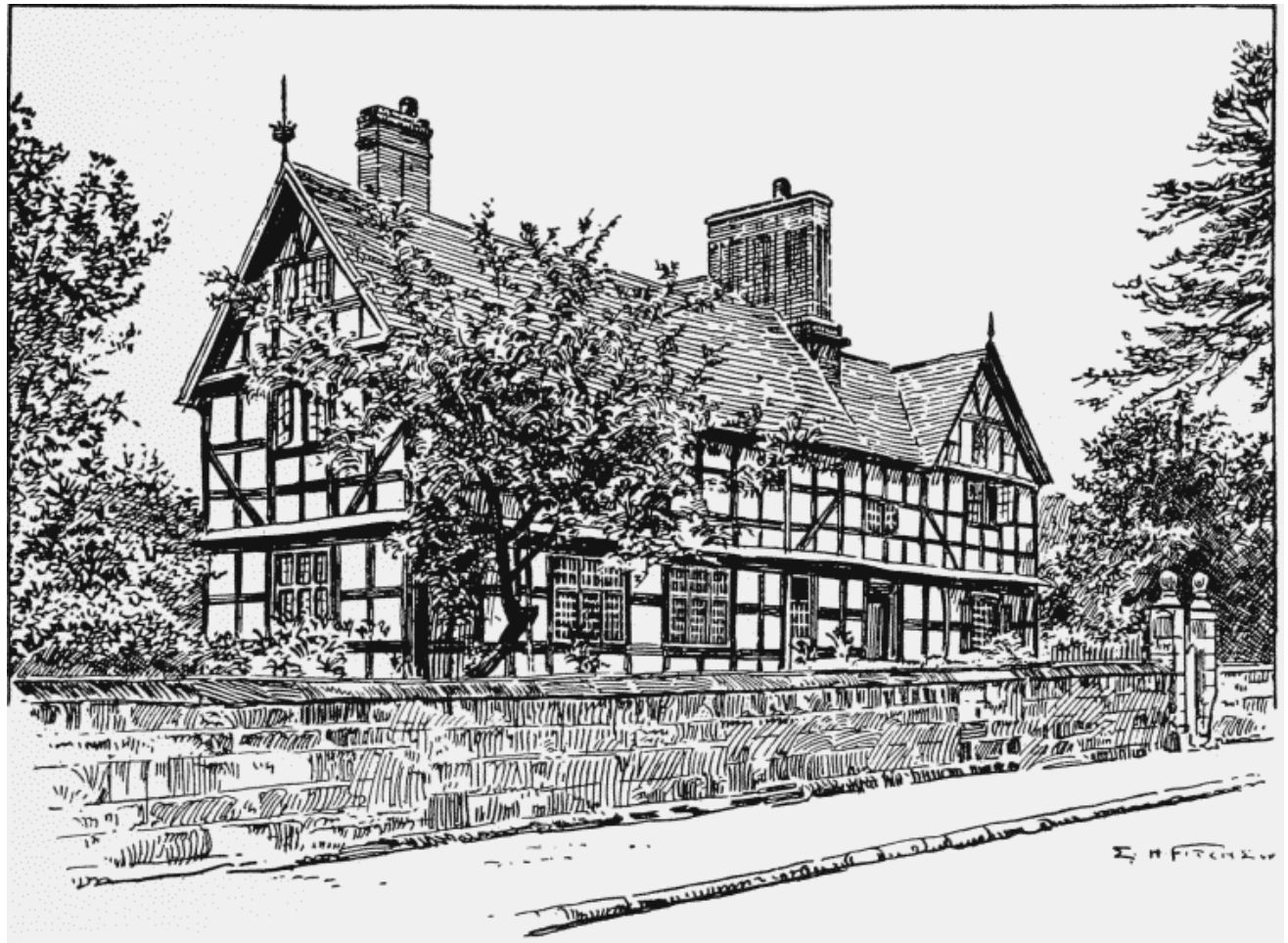
| Name | Head of Household or Relationship to Head | Age | Marital status | Occupation | Employer, worker or working on own account? | Working at Home? | Birthplace | Nationality if not British | Infirmity |
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| Cecil Josephine Sandys | Head | 67 | Single | Private means | | | London | | |
| Ann Mary Howse | servant | 60 | Single | Cook (domestic) | | | Ombersley | | |
| Alice Rose Bickerton | Servant | 20 | Single | Servant (domestic) | | | Worcester (St Paul's) | | |

No of rooms in the dwelling (including kitchen, but not counting scullery, landing, lobby, closet, bathroom, warehouse, office or shop:

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From Getty Images - a portrait of Cecil Josephine Sandys, taken in 1865 by Oscar Rejlander.



* **Engraving of the Dower House, c.1910**, from the chapter entitled 'Parishes: Ombersley', in *A History of the County of Worcester: Volume 3* (London, 1913), pp. 460-468. *British History Online* <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/worcs/vol3/pp460-468> [accessed 27 September 2018].

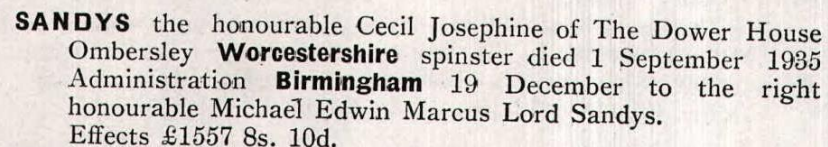
ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE OF PROPERTY/ RESIDENCE:

| KELLY'S COMMERCIAL DIRECTORY | | 1912 | 1916 | 1921 | 1924 |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------|------|------|------|
| NAME | Hon. Cecil Josephine Sandys | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

| ELECTORAL REGISTERS | | 1914 | 1915 | 1918 |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|------|------|------|
| NAME | Hon. Cecil Josephine Sandys | No | No | Yes |

| ANY OTHER evidence about the property | Were the residents owners, lessees or tenants of the property? Was the property ever put up for sale? Other sources might include: Your own property deeds; newspaper articles and advertisements; sale particulars; local knowledge/oral history; poor rate books etc |
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| <p>http://www.thepeerage.com/p57254.htm#i572536</p> <p>Hon. Cecil Josephine Sandys</p> | <p>F, d. 1 September 1935</p> <p>Hon. Cecil Josephine Sandys was the daughter of Arthur Marcus Cecil Sandys, 3rd Lord Sandys, Baron of Ombersley and Louisa Blake. She died on 1 September 1935.¹</p> <p>Arthur Marcus Cecil Sandys, 3rd Lord Sandys, Baron of Ombersley and Louisa Blake had the following children:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hon. Nina Violet Americana Sandys d. 18 Nov 1905 2. Hon. Rosa Louisa Vernon Sandys d. 19 Sep 1943 3. Hon. Mary Georgiana Caroline Sandys d. 18 Mar 1903 4. Hon. Anna Maria Frances Sandys d. 27 May 1876 5. Hon. Cecil Josephine Sandys d. 1 Sep 1935 6. Hon. Charlotte Blundell Hill d. 24 Aug 1854 7. Augustus Frederick Arthur Sandys, 4th Lord Sandys, Baron of Ombersley b. 2 Mar 1840, d. 26 Jul 1904 8. Lt.-Col. Hon. Marcus Windsor George Sandys b. 28 Sep 1849, d. 14 May 1897 9. Michael Edwin Marcus Sandys, 5th Lord Sandys, Baron Ombersley b. 31 Dec 1855, d. 4 Aug 1948 10. Hon. Edmund Arthur Marcus Sandys b. 9 Mar 1860, d. 1 Sep 1914 |

Declaration of probate, 1935



SANDYS the honourable Cecil Josephine of The Dower House
Ombersley **Worcestershire** spinster died 1 September 1935
Administration **Birmingham** 19 December to the right
honourable Michael Edwin Marcus Lord Sandys.
Effects £1557 8s. 10d.

Historic England: register of listed buildings

Listing Text

SO 8463 OMBERSLEY CP HOLT FLEET ROAD (north side)

9/118 The Dower House

Listed on 29.12.52

GV II*

House. Early C17 with mid-C19 alterations. Timber-framed with rendered infill, plain tiled roof with moulded gable end finials, now of four panelled square stacks with combined cap to right of main ridge and also brick chimney to rear left with paired brick shafts and combined cap.

Main range of three framed bays with lobby-entry; two-framed bay cross-wing at right gable end. Two storeys and attic. Framing: three small square panels to each floor, long straight braces in lower corners of first floor and double collar-and-tie-beam trusses in gable ends with queen struts and V-struts in apex; jettied bay on three shaped brackets to rear of "hall".

Front elevation: plank weatherings between storeys; ground floor has two mullioned 3-light windows with transoms, and a rectangular light; first floor has two 3-light casements, a 2-light casement and a square light; main entrance in third bay has a ledged and battened door with large trap hinges; cross-wing gable end has a ground and first floor 3-light casement; attic lights in gable ends.

Interior: access refused.

Hall has enriched plaster ceiling; large fireplace with stone jambs and brick 4-centred arched head; much of original woodwork survives, including panelling. Norwich Union fire insurance mark on entrance bay.

It is believed that the Dower House stands on the site of the original old Court House which belonged to Evesham Abbey and fell into disrepair in the mid-C16 after the Abbot was dispossed during the Dissolution. It was rebuilt by Sir Samuel Sandys, the name being retained initially and only later became known as the Dower House. [VCH, Vol III, pt ii; Rev W H White: The Story of Ombersley Church].

Listing NGR: SO8440463705

CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.

Number of Schedule 48
(To be filled up by the Enumerator after collection.)

Before writing on this Schedule please read the Examples and the Instructions given on the other side of the paper, as well as the headings of the Columns. The entries should be written in Ink.

The contents of the Schedule will be treated as confidential. Strict care will be taken that no information is disclosed with regard to individual persons. The returns are not to be used for proof of age, as in connection with Old Age Pensions, or for any other purpose than the preparation of Statistical Tables.

| NAME AND SURNAME | RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family. | AGE (Last Birthday) and SEX. | | PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE. | | | | | PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards. | | | | BIRTHPLACE of every person. | NATIONALITY of every Person born in a Foreign Country. | INFIRMITY. | | |
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| | | Ages of Males. | Ages of Females. | Write "Single," "Married," "Widower," or "Widow," opposite the names of all persons aged 15 years and upwards. | State, for each Married Woman entered on this Schedule, the number of:— | Personal Occupation. | Industry or Service with which worker is connected. | Whether Employer, Worker, or Working on Own Account. | Whether Working at Home. | Whether Employed, Worker, or Working on Own Account. | Whether Working at Home. | | | | | | |
| of every Person, whether Member of Family, Visitor, Boarder, or Servant, who (1) passed the night of Sunday, April 2nd, 1911, in this dwelling and was alive at midnight, or (2) arrived in this dwelling on the morning of Monday, April 3rd, not having been enumerated elsewhere. No one else must be included. (For order of entering names see Examples on back of Schedule.) | State whether "Head," or "Wife," "Son," "Daughter," or other Relative, "Visitor," "Boarder," or "Servant." | For Infants under one year state the age in months as "under one month," "one month," etc. | | | Write "Single," "Married," "Widower," or "Widow," opposite the names of all persons aged 15 years and upwards. | State, for each Married Woman entered on this Schedule, the number of:— | Children born alive to present Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 7). | Completed years the present Marriage has lasted. If less than one year write "under one." | Total Children Born Alive. | Children still Living. | Children who have Died. | The reply should show the precise Branch of Profession, Trade, Manufacture, &c. If engaged in any Trade or Manufacture, the particular kind of work done, and the Article made or Material worked or dealt in should be clearly indicated. (See Instructions 1 to 8 and Examples on back of Schedule.) | This question should generally be answered by stating the business carried on by the employer. If this is clearly shown in Col. 10 the question need not be answered here. No entry needed for Domestic Servants in private employment. If employed by a public body (Government, Municipal, etc.) state what body. (See Instruction 9 and Examples on back of Schedule.) | Write opposite the name of each person engaged in any Trade or Industry, (1) "Employer" (that is employing persons other than domestic servants), or (2) "Worker" (that is working for an employer), or (3) "Own Account" (that is neither employing others nor working for a trade employer). | Write the words "At Home" opposite the name of each person carrying on Trade or Industry at home. | (1) If born in the United Kingdom, write the name of the County, and Town or Parish. (2) If born in any other part of the British Empire, write the name of the Dependency, Colony, etc., and of the Province or State. (3) If born in a Foreign Country, write the name of the Country. (4) If born at sea, write "At Sea." NOTE.—In the case of persons born elsewhere than in England or Wales, state whether "Resident" or "Visitor" in this Country. | State whether:— (1) "British subject by parentage." (2) "Naturalised British subject," giving year of naturalisation. Or (3) If of foreign nationality, state the infirmity opposite that person's name, and the age at which he or she became afflicted. (4) "Totally Deaf," or "Deaf and Dumb," (5) "Totally Blind," (6) "Lunatic," (7) "Imbecile," or "Feeble-minded," |
| 1 | Cecil Josephine Sandys | Head | | 67 | Single | | | | | | | Private means | 340 | 0 | London | 000 | |
| 2 | Ann Mary Howes | Servant | | 60 | Single | | | | | | | Cook (Domestic) | 010 | 1 | Worce Onbyesley | | |
| 3 | Alice Rose Rickerton | Servant | | 20 | Single | | | | | | | Housemaid (Domestic) | 1 | 1 | Worce St Pauls Worcester | 253 | |
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(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

I certify that:—

(1) All the ages on this Schedule are entered in the proper sex columns.
 (2) I have counted the males and females in Columns 3 and 4 separately, and have compared their sum with the total number of persons.
 (3) After making the necessary enquiries I have completed all entries on the Schedule which appeared to be defective, and have corrected such as appeared to be erroneous.

Initials of Enumerator: W.F.H.

| Total. | | |
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| Males. | Females. | Persons. |
| | 3 | 3 |

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)

Write below the Number of Rooms in this Dwelling (House, Tenement, or Apartment). Count the kitchen as a room but do not count scullery, landing, lobby, closet, bathroom; nor warehouse, office, shop.

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: Cecil Josephine Sandys

Postal Address: Dover House, Onbyesley, Droitwich