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Dear Mr Allright

I recently found your website and having lived on Chalfont Heights from 1932 to 1957 I thought that you might be interested in some of my recollections.

My father J R Roeder worked for the Stroud family from the early 30's until WW2 when the Building Department closed down. My father then volunteered for Army service and served in the Royal Engineers. On his return to civilian life in 1946 and until his death in 1962 as your history states, he designed houses for W J Stringer. He was also involved with the purchase of the plots of land and the Roads Committee.

I enclose a copy of an envelope sent to York Cottage, which was the "office" for the Building Department. Also enclosed is a copy of Overcombe as it was when newly built in 1937. The Roeder family lived here following a few years in Swan View, Sandy Rise and a brief period in Upway Lodge. Following my father's death my mother moved away in 1964. I wonder what they would have thought of Overcombe as it is today.

I have very happy memories of Chalfont Heights especially as a young boy when I knew most of the builders working on the houses, which in those days took up to a year to complete. I remember Colonel Stroud very well and Lincoln House where he lived at the time. I also remember riding a bicycle around the estate and all the cut knee's I suffered. Happy days!!

Thank you for bringing back happy memories.

Yours sincerely

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