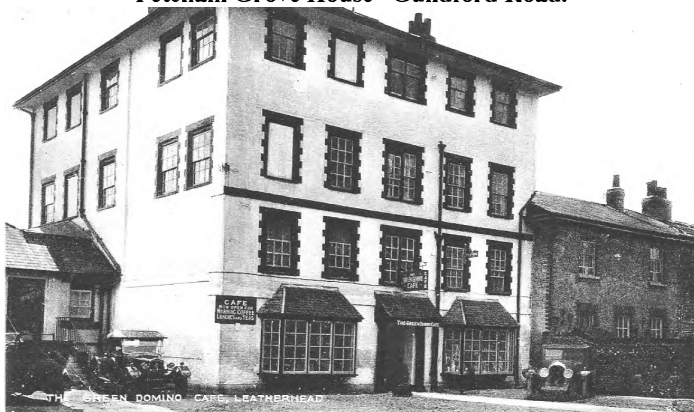


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Fetcham Grove House– Guildford Road.



Fetcham Grove House stood just west of the Leatherhead Bridge. Robert Sherson, an antiquary and apothecary bought the house in about 1788. For over 35 years it was occupied by the Clagett family and for a further 20 years by the wine merchant Ernest Secretan. About 1882 it was bought by the grandly named General Henry de Tessier (later Baron) of the Royal Artillery.

The original house was described in the 1780s as a 'square brick house'. Later various extensions were added, especially the adjoining 'West Wing'.

For many years Fetcham Grove was either known as The Green Domino Café / Green Domino Hotel & Restaurant.

A 1930s advert for West Wing offers the following:-

*Swimming Pool, Hard Tennis Courts, Grass Court and a Squash Court
Tuition in all subjects – Moderate Prices & Season Tickets – Restaurant adjoining
Today only the hard tennis courts remain.*

After the restaurant closed in the 1940s, Leatherhead Depositories (Branch of Bishop & Sons' Ltd), who had come to Leatherhead in the 1930s relocated their offices from the High Street to Fetcham Grove, and remained there until the building was demolished in 1998. The site is now an office block called Cedar Court.

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