

Notes on the Property

According to local records this large Victorian semi-detached house, now a dental surgery and a private apartment, was the home of Charles Taylor from 1916. However, he did not purchase it until 1924, so the assumption must be that he rented for a few years, having moved from his previous residence in West End Avenue off Otley Road.

It appears that Taylor and his wife Enid were the first owner occupiers of 1 South Park Road, also known as Townstal, as a number of people had rented the property from when it was built in the late 1880s as part of the Victoria Park Estate, which linked high and low Harrogate.

The deeds show that Charles Taylor purchased 1 South Park Road from Betty Haggas, the niece of the original developer, on 1st August 1924 for £1,700 and he lived there until his death on 28th August 1942. Enid stayed on in the house until she too died on 28th December 1944.

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