

# Devon County Sites and Monuments Register

<b>Parish</b> Ringmore Near Kingsbridge	<b>National Grid Reference</b> SX 6504 4598	<b>Number</b> (leave blank)	
<b>Subject</b> Church Institute	<b>Measurements</b> (Sketch with scale overleaf if possible) 20'5" N/S X 60'8" E/W (external)		
<b>Description</b> , history, field notes and other information. (Please fill in a separate sheet for each separate item)  The land on which this hall is built, together with a Recreation Ground behind the Hall, was presented, in May 1908, to the Rev. Preb. Hingeston Randolph, Rector of Ringmore, by the Syndicate (F and G Coyte and A Pode), which had acquired the Manor of Ringmore from the late Mrs James Fellows. The foundation stone of the Hall was laid by Mr F.A.Mildmay and Mrs Mildmay on 20 <sup>th</sup> May 1908. (See attached photograph) It is thought that the origin of the Church Institute was a Reading Room, which in turn grew out of the Erme and Avon Friendly Society, founded in 1865 by Rev.F.C.Hingeston Randolph to replace a Public House Club. The Recreation Ground, behind the Institute, was found to be unsuitable, because of its slope, and it was sold in 1923 in order to raise money for the improvement of the Hall. In 1924, the Management Committee of the Institute decided to extend the building to its present size in stone to match the original building. The floor was made higher than that of the older part, so that it might be used as a platform and it was provided with sliding wooden shutters. The new extension, which was built as a Memorial to the men of the village who died in the Great War, was to serve as a Men's Clubroom. It had a billiard table. It was in use by 1926.  Please continue overleaf if necessary		<b>Reference</b> for each piece of information  Trust Deed 1908 D.C.R.O.  Kingsbridge Gazette 1934 "30 Years Ago"  Letter to "The Times" 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov.1869  Deanary Paper Jan. 1926	<b>Date</b> of each entry 1991
<b>Owner/ Tenant</b> Name and address		<b>Recorder</b> Name and address Mrs A.C.Bennett Hill Cottage Ringmore	