

Kelly's Directory 1875

CHUTE is a village and parish, in the Southern division of the county, Kinwardstone hundred, Andover union and county court district, diocese of Salisbury, archdeaconry of Wilts, and rural deanery of Marlborough, 13 miles from Marlborough, and 3 north-east from Ludgershall, delightfully situated on the side of a hill bordering on Hampshire.

The church of St Nicholas was entirely rebuilt by private subscription in 1871, and re-opened by the Bishop of the Diocese 15th October 1872. It is principally of stone, and consists of chancel, nave, and small transept, with handsome tower and spire, and has a clock and 2 bells. There is a piscina within the altar rails. The edifice is sheltered on the south-west by a row of yew trees. The register dates from 1580.

The living is a vicarage, yearly value £250, with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Salisbury, and held by the Rev. Samuel Cosway, M.A., of Queen's College, Cambridge. In the churchyard are a water tank and pump, placed there, and given to the poor of the parish for their use forever, by the present vicar.

Thomas Everett Fowle, esq., of Chute Lodge, in Chute Forest, is the lay impropriator.

There is a National school, a very handsome flint building, built by public subscription, aided by a grant from Government.

The Wesleyans have a small chapel here.

There are several bequests for the benefit of the poor, amounting to £12 yearly, for fuel and clothing.

Conholt Park, the beautiful mansion of Lady Charles Wellesley, is in the parish. The house, which is about 100 years old, was chiefly built by Sir Sydney Meadows, knight marshal of England and Meadows, esq., lord of the manor and principal landowner.

The soil is clay; subsoil, chalk. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley. The area is 3,181 acres; gross estimated rental, £3,282; rateable value, £2,809; and the population in 1871 was 519.

Hippenscombe, formerly extra-parochial, is now a parish, with an area of 980 acres, and a population of 57. Standen is half a mile east; Haydon Hill and Fosbury, where there is a large camp, 2½ miles north-east.

Parish Clerk, Adam Smith

Post & Money Order Office & Savings Bank, James Smith, receiver
Letters arrive from Andover by mail cart at 9.45 am, dispatched at 5.15 pm

National School, Mrs Phoebe Howard, Mistress

Carrier, Mrs Mary Ann Smith, to & from Andover, Friday

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders

Surname	Given Name	Industry/Occupation
Cosway, Rev	Samuel	Vicarage
Wellesley, Lady	Charles	Conholt Park
Wellesley, Captain, M.P.	Henry	Conholt Park
Bailey	Joseph	Farmer, Lower Chute
Batchelor	Alfred	Farmer, Upper Chute
Batchelor, Miss	Ann	Shopkeeper, Upper Chute
Grey	Charles	Saddler & Harness Maker, Upper Chute
Hopwood	Richard	Carpenter & Wheelwright, Lower Chute
Horn	William	Carpenter & Wheelwright, Upper Chute
Howard, Mrs	Phoebe	National Schoolmistress
Moore	James & Edward	Farmers, Dean Farm
Pragnell	Hugh	Blue Bell, Scott's Poor
Small	John	Beer Retailer, Lower Chute
Smith	James	Blacksmith & Postmaster
Smith, Mrs	Mary Ann	Cross Keys, Upper Chute
Smith	Adam	Parish Clerk
Taplin	Frederick	Farmer, Lower Chute
Taplin	Thomas	Farmer, Upper Chute
Vivash	Tenman	Grocer & Draper, Lower Chute
Webb	John	Beer Retailer, Lower Chute
Wild	Uriah	Farmer, Lower Chute
Miles	Charles	Farmer, Hippenscombe Farm, Hippenscombe