

Kelly's Directory 1907

CHUTE FOREST is a parish 4 miles north east from Ludgershall station on the Midland and South Western junction railway and 7 north west from Andover Town station on the London and South Western railway, in the Eastern division of the county, Kinwardstone hundred, Everleigh and Pewsey petty sessional division, union of Pewsey, Andover county court district, rural deanery of Marlborough (Pewsey portion), archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury.

The church of St. Mary, re-erected in 1875 by Thomas E. Fowle, esq., is of flint and stone in the Early English style and consists of chancel, nave, south porch and a western tower with spire containing a clock and 6 bells. There are 200 sittings.

The register dates from the year 1875.

The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £96, with residence, in the gift of W.H. Fowle, esq., J.P., and held since 1903 by the Rev. William Duke Baker M.A., of Cambridge University, who is also vicar of and resides at Chute.

Chute Lodge, the residence of Alexander Grant Meek, esq., J.P., is a plain mansion of red brick, situated in a park of 300 acres.

The principal landowners are A.G. Meek, esq., J.P., who is lord of the manor, Charles Edwin Everett, esq., of Biddesden House, and the trustees of the late Henry Merceron, esq., of Tangle, Hants.

The soil is clay, subsoil chalk. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats and turnips. The area is 1,930 acres; rateable value £1,086. The population in 1901 was 120.

Letters through Andover arrive at 6.50am & 3.20pm. Chute Standen is the nearest post, money order & telegraph office.

Wall box, near Chute Forest House, cleared at 7.50am & 5.35pm.

The children of this parish attend school at Chute village.

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders

Surname	Given Name	Industry/Occupier
Fowle, B.A., J.P. (Barrister at law)	William Hugh	Chute Forest House
Meek, J.P.	Alex Grant	Chute Lodge, Chute Forest
Baker, Rev	William Duke	Rector, resides Chute
Child	Charles Morgan	Farmer, Home Farm
Fosbury	William	Farmer, Home Farm
Collis	John	Farmer, Pollard's Farm
Haines	George	Farmer
Henly, Mrs	Henry	Farmer
Scamble	William	Farmer, Red House Farm
Scott, J.P.	John	Farm Bailiff to A G Meeks, esq