

Kelly's Directory 1923

CHUTE is a village and parish, delightfully situated on the side of a hill, bordering on Hampshire, 4 miles north east from Ludgershall station on the London Midland and Scottish and Southern joint line, 13 south east from Marlborough and 8 north west from Andover, in the Devizes division of the county, Kinwardine hundred, Everleigh and Pewsey petty sessional division, union of Pewsey, county court district of Andover, rural deanery of Marlborough (Pewsey portion) archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury.

The church of St. Nicholas, entirely rebuilt in 1871, and reopened 15th August 1872, is of flint with red brick and stone facings, in the Early English style and consists of chancel, nave, small south transept, south porch and a south western tower, with spire; containing a clock and 2 bells; there is a fine piscine with oak leaf and bell flower ornament within the altar rails and an ancient Norman font.

The chancel was entirely rebuilt in 1869 at a cost of £500 by J. Thomas Everett Fowle, esq., J.P., from designs by J. L. Pearson, esq., R.A., and contains a stained glass window to the memory of members of the Fowle family, and another to that of the Rev. L. Ridley, vicar from 1885 to 1902. A new organ was presented in 1910 by George Knowles, esq. There are 288 sittings. The churchyard is sheltered on the south west by a row of yew trees.

The register dates from the year 1580.

The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £337, with residence, in the gift of the Dean and Chapter of Winchester and held since 1912 by the Rev. Inglis Charles Reymond Scott, M.A., of University College, Durham, who is also perpetual curate of Chute Forest.

A piece of land was added to the churchyard in 1887, and consecrated by the Bishop of Salisbury. In the churchyard are a water tank and pump, placed there for the use of the parish by the Rev. Samuel Cosway, M.A. a former vicar.

A granite cross was erected in 1922 at the point where the roads to Andover, Ludgershall and Hungerford meet, in memory of the men of Upper and Lower Chute who fell in the Great War 1914-18.

The Dean and Chapter of Winchester are the impropiators.

There are Wesleyan and Primitive Methodist chapels.

The charities for the benefit of the poor amount to £16 10s yearly and are distributed in fuel, clothing and blankets.

Conholt Park is the property and residence of Edward Alfred Wigan, esq. The house, portions of which date back to the 17th century, has a front built about 100 years ago by Sir Sydney Medows, knight marshal of England. The park extends over an area of 324 acres.

E.A. Wigan, esq., and Mrs Freville Cookson are the principal landowners.

The soil is principally loam with some clay, subsoil chalk. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley. The area is 3,256 acres; rateable value £2,437. The population in 1911 was 390.

Standen is half a mile east, Haydon Hill and Fosbury, where there is a large camp, 2½ miles north east, Honey Bottom 1 mile south west.

Parish Clerk - Edward Cook

Post, M.O., T & T.E.D. Office, Chute Standen
Mrs R. Collins, Sub postmistress. Letters arrive from Andover

Elementary School, built in 1859, for 114 children.
Miss Elsie Taylor, Mistress
The children of Chute Forest also attend this school

Police Constable - Stratton

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders

Surname	Given Name	Industry/Occupation/Residence
Arnold, Mrs		Chute Cadley
Cookson, Mrs	Freville	Standen House
Scott, Rev	Inglis C Reymond	Vicarage
Walden	Henry James	
Wigan	Edward Alfred	Conholt Park
Collins	George	Beer Retailer, Lower Chute
Collins, Mrs	Rebecca	Midwife & Post Office, Chute Cadley
Cook	Edward	Market Gardener
Cook	Percival	Grocer, Upper Chute
Ewence	Charles T	Farmer, Home Farm
Hall	Sydney	The Star public house
Hambledon	James	Farm Bailiff & Head Gardener to Mrs Cookson

Harnett	Charles E	Farmer, Lower Chute
Hopgood	James	Estate Carpenter to Mrs Cookson
Milson	Charles	Shopkeeper, Upper Chute
Newman	Edward	Gamekeeper to E A Wigan Esq, Conholt Park
Nicholas	William	Carpenter, Chute Cadley
Papps	William	Farmer, Manor Farm
Richardson	Frederick George	Farmer, Shaw Farm
Robb	James	Estate Agent to E A Wigan Esq, Conholt Park
Scutt	William	Saddler & Asst Overseer & Clerk to the Parish Council, Upper Chute
Smith	Ernest Victor	Blacksmith, Chute Standen
Stratton		Police Constable
Taylor, Mrs	Elizabeth	Cross Keys public house
Taylor, Miss	Elsie	Elementary Schoolmistress
Tetts		Farmer, Dean Farm
Withers	Charles	Farmer, Parsonage Farm, Upper Chute
Withers	Walter	Farmer, Gammons Farm