



Kelly's Directory Extract 1915

Derry Hill

DERRY HILL is a consolidated ecclesiastical parish formed in 1840, comprising the former extra-parochial places of Bowood and Pewsham, and parts of Calne, Bremhill, Chippenham, Corsham and Bishop's Cannings, 3 miles south-east from Chippenham, 2.5 west from Calne terminal station, on a branch of the Great Western railway, and 7 east from Corsham station, on the Swindon and Bath Section of the same line, in the North Western division of the county, county court district of Chippenham, Chippenham and Calne unions, Avebury rural deanery, (Avebury portion), archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Salisbury. Christchurch, which stands in the hamlet of Studley, 3 miles west from Calne, and 3 east from Chippenham, and was consecrated in 1840, is an edifice of stone, in a debased style, consisting of small chancel, nave, south porch, and a western tower with lofty spire, containing one bell: there are 556 sittings, of which 400 are free. The register dates from the year 1840.

The living is a vicarage, net yearly value £232, including 2 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of the vicar of Calne, and held since 1889, by the Rev Alfred Lovell Scott MA of Brasenose College, Oxford, and rural dean of Avebury. There is a Primitive Methodist chapel here. The Working Men's Club and Institute here is largely supported by the Marquess of Lansdowne KG, and Lord FitzMaurice PC, JP. The landowners are the Marquess of Lansdowne KG, PC, GCMG, the Earl of Crewe KG, PC, and William Lowther Lysley esq JP, with others. The soil is sand and clay, sub-soil clay. The chief crops are the usual cereals and roots. The population of the ecclesiastical parish in 1911 was 870. The area of Pewsham is 2286 acres; rateable value £2588; population in 1911, 382.

Bowood will be found under a separate heading.

Sexton: Henry Hillier

Post Office: Mrs Jane Elliott, sub-postmistress. Letters received from Calne at 7.40am & 3.15pm, dispatched at 7.40, 9.15am & 6.50pm, Sundays, 8.30am. Calne, 3 miles distant, is the nearest money order and telegraph office.

Wall Letter Boxes: Studley, cleared at 9.20am & 7pm, Sundays, 9.40am. Queenwood Lodge: cleared at 9.15am & 6.50pm, Sundays, 8.30am, Derry Hill: cleared at 7.45am & 6.55pm, Sundays 8.35am,

Narley Lane: cleared at 9.15am & 7.5pm, Sundays, 9.30am

Elementary School (mixed) built in 1872 for 150 and since enlarged for 190 children. Benjamin Collett, master.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Lysley*		Mrs		Pewsham House
Scott	Alfred Lovell	Reverend, M. A.	Vicar & Rural Dean	

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bent	William		Timber Merchant	
Bishop	John		Boot Maker	
Brinkworth	George		Publican	Swab PH
Bull	Frederick		Farmer	Studley
Cleverly*	Henry		Farmer	Pitters
Cole	Osborne		Farmer	Hazeland Farm
Cole	William		Farmer	Derry Hill farm
Croker*	Nicholas		Farmer	Nethermore Farm, Pewsham
Elliott	Samuel		Asst Overseer	
Fortune	Elizabeth	Miss	Shopkeeper	
Fortune	William		Coal Dealer	
Fry*	James		Farmer	Stanley Abbey Farm
Hiller	Henry		Secretary, Working Men's Club & Inst	
Holley*	Caleb		Blacksmith	
Lewis	Jesse		Gardener to Mrs Lysley	
Matthews*	Thomas		Farmer	Forest Gate Farm
Moody	Frederick Osborne		Publican	Lansdowne Arms PH
Ody*	George William		Farmer	
Rich	Frederick		Farmer	Loxwell Farm
Rose*	William		Farmer	Great Lodge Farm
Slade*	Edward		Farmer	
Smith	Elizabeth Jane	Mrs	Publican	The Soho PH
Whittle	James		Pig Dealer	
Wiltshire	Gad	& Son	Grocers	Studley
Wiltshire	Thomas		Market Gardeners	Studley
Wiltshire	William		Market Gardeners	

*marked thus are in Chippenham postal delivery