



Post Office Directory Extract 1875



Fovant

Fovant is a parish and village, near the Salisbury and Yeovil Railway, in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Cawden and Cadworth, Wilton union, Hindon petty sessional division, Salisbury county court district, diocese and archdeaconry of Salisbury, and Chalke rural deanery, 2 miles from the Dinton station, 7 west from Wilton, and 95 from London.

The church of St George is an ancient Norman stone structure. It has a double chancel, nave, aisles, and has a striking stained window to the memory of Lord Herbert of Lea. The interior was refitted with open benches to seat about 300 persons, and redecorated in 1863. It has a fine chancel door, and a tower containing 4 bells. The register dates from 1541. The living is a rectory, value £490, with residence, in the gift of the Earl of Pembroke, and held by the Rev. Wellesley Pole Pigott, M.A., who is also rector of Fugglestone-with-Bemerton, where he resides. The Rev. Alfred Earle, M.A., of Magdalen College, Oxford is curate.

Here is a National school and a chapel for Independents.

The Earl of Pembroke is lord of the manor and chief landowner.

The soil is loam; subsoil, chalk and flint. The chief crops are wheat, oats and barley

The area is 2,160 acres; gross estimated rental, £3,435; rateable value, £2,964; the population in 1871 was 598.

PARISH CLERK Alexander Turner

POST OFFICE John Lever Receiver
 Letters from Salisbury are delivered at 7 am.; dispatched at 7.45 pm.
 The nearest money order office is at Dinton.

NATIONAL SCHOOL Miss Georgina Fussell Mistress

CARRIERS to Salisbury Henry Goodfellow & Charles Read Tuesday & Saturday

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Clay	Robert Richard			
Earle	Alfred	Rev, M.A.	Curate	

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Arnold	Charles		Farmer	
Burrough	William		Shopkeeper	
Clay	Robert Richard		Surgeon	
Cowdry	Solomon		Baker & shopkeeper	
Foyle	William		Tailor	
Futcher	Aaron		Farmer	
Futcher	George		Farmer	
Futcher	James		Farmer	
Goodfellow	Henry		Carrier	

Goodfellow	Henry		Dairyman	
Green	James			<i>Pembroke Arms</i>
Hart	George		Miller	
Lever	Edwin		Carpenter & farmer	
Lever	John		Postmaster	
Read	Aaron			<i>Cross Keys</i>
Read	Charles		Shopkeeper & carrier	
Toomer	Henry		Shopkeeper	
Turner	Alexander		Shoe maker & parish clerk	