



Post Office Directory Extract 1859



Hindon

Hindon, from which the Earl of Clarendon, takes his title as Baron of Hindon, is a township, parish, market and post town, and the centre of an agricultural district, mostly one straight street, near a quarter of a mile in length, standing on a gradual acclivity, on the high road from Salisbury to Taunton, 111 miles south-west from London by Salisbury, 123 by Warminster, 16 west of Salisbury, and 9 south of Warminster, in the hundred of Downton, Tisbury Union, South Wilts, diocese and archdeaconry of Salisbury, and deanery of Chalke. Silk winding and wool spinning were formerly carried on here to some extent, but all manufactures have now entirely disappeared.

On Holy Thursday, July 2, 1752, two-thirds of the town were destroyed by fire. It was an ancient borough, but only by prescription, and possessed a local government, having a bailiff and burgesses, and returned two members to Parliament; it was disfranchised at the passing of the Reform Bill in 1832, and is now a polling-place for the southern division of the county. The market is appointed to be held on a Thursday. There are fairs on the 27th of May and 29th of October. The parish contains 212 acres; population, 710. The town is chiefly the property of the Marquis of Westminster and Alfred Morrison, Esq. The living is a chapelry, value £75, in the gift of the Lord Chancellor; the Rev. Robert Greaves Walker is the incumbent.

The church, which is supposed to have been dedicated to St. John the Baptist, was built in the reign of Philip and Mary, probably about 1555, has a tower with 6 bells, and in 1836 was repaired and enlarged. The register commences 1665.

There is a Free School for boys and girls, which was built by Lord Calthorpe when lord of the manor. Here is the charity of James Ames, Esq., late surgeon of Hindon, who died June 9, 1828, and left by will £10 annually to the poor of this parish for ever, to be distributed by the overseers, in bread and clothing, on Christmas Eve.

There is a chapel belonging to the Independents, and one also for the Primitive Methodists. The houses are built chiefly of stone, raised from the quarry at Tisbury, in this locality. Coals are brought from the pits at Radstock, in Somerset.

Post Office – Miss Susannah Harrison, postmistress. Letters arrive by London & cross road mail cart at 7 a.m. & are dispatched at 6.45 p.m. by same conveyance. Box closes at 6.30 p.m. Money orders are issued & paid.

Inland Revenue Office, Lamb Inn, William Green

Public Officers

Clerk to Magistrates, Chas. Edwd. Buckland, Shaftesbury

Clerk to Property & Assessed Taxes, Charles Edward Buckland, Shaftesbury

Relieving Officer, William Lashey

Superintendent of Police, John Harris

Petty sessions held at the Sessions hall, fortnightly

Free School, George Plank, master

Carriers

Richard Perrott, to 'Kings Arms', Shaftesbury, Saturday, returning same day; to Salisbury, Tues, returns same day

James Everett, to Chough inn, Salisbury, Tuesday & Saturday, returning same day

John Knighton, from 'White Horse', Friday Street, London, via South Western Railway, to Salisbury; from thence through Hindon, to Mere &c. Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday, returning Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday.

Hill, from Tisbury to Warminster, Thursday, returning same day; calls at the 'Queen's Head', Hindon

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Millett		Mrs		Hindon
Millett		Miss		Hindon
Richardson		Mrs		Hindon
Walker	Robert Greaves	Rev.	Incumbent	Hindon
Young	Henry	Esq.		Hindon
Zinzan	Robert	Esq.		Hindon

Commercial

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Beavis	Henry		Tailor	Hindon
Beckett	James		Shoemaker	Hindon
Beckett	John		Basket Maker & Parish Clerk	Hindon
Beckett	John		Plumber	Hindon
Beckett	Joseph		Shoemaker	Hindon
Burleigh	Maria	Mrs	Grocer	Hindon
Burleigh	Samuel		Shoemaker	Hindon
Carpenter	Stephen		Tailor	Hindon
Cheverill	Elizabeth	Miss	Baker	Hindon
Dukes	James		Shopkeeper	Hindon
Edwards	James		Shopkeeper	Hindon
Everett	James		Carrier	Hindon
Farrant	William		Smith	Hindon
Green	William		<i>Lamb inn</i> & Inland Revenue Officer	Hindon
Hacker	William		<i>Swan inn</i>	Hindon
Harding	Erastus		Grocer & Draper	Hindon
Harding	Francis		Farmer	Hindon
Harding	Thomas		Tailor	Hindon
Harwood	George		Grocer	Hindon
Howell	John		Mason	Hindon
Lamb	Elizabeth	Mrs	Shopkeeper	Hindon
Lawrence	John		Carpenter	Hindon
Norris	Elizabeth	Mrs	<i>Grosvenor Arms</i>	Hindon

Norton	Joseph		Tailor	Hindon
Perrett	George		China Dealer	Hindon
Pittman	Ann Maria		Grocer	Hindon
Pittman	Cornelius		Butcher	Hindon
Plank	George		Master of National School	Hindon
Rawlings	Morality		Farmer	Hawking Down Farm
Ruddick	Luke		Cooper	Hindon
Sims	John		Wheelwright	Hindon
Snook	Charles & Son		Plumbers	Hindon
Stevens	Thomas		<i>Queen's Head</i>	Hindon
Vigor	John		Butcher	Hindon
White	George		Coal Dealer	Hindon
White	Thomas		Nurseryman	Hindon
Young	Henry		Surgeon	Hindon
Zinzan	Robert		Surgeon	Hindon