



Kellys Directory Extract 1915

Liddington



LIDDINGTON (or Lyddington) is a pretty village and parish, on the road from Swindon to Hungerford, 4 miles south-east from Swindon station on the Great Western railway, 2 north-east from Chisledon station on the Midland and South Western Junction railway, 12 north-west from Hungerford, and 8½ north-east from Marlborough, in the Northern division of the county, hundred of Kingsbridge, Swindon union, county court district and petty sessional division, rural deanery of Cricklade, and archdeaconry of and diocese of Bristol. The church of All Saints is an ancient stone building, in the Early English style, consisting of chancel, nave of three bays, north aisle, south porch, and an embattled western tower containing 5 bells: in the north aisle are tombs, supposed to be those of certain abbesses of Shaftesbury, one of whom is said to have been the founder of the church: a sum of £1,000 was spent in repairs and improvement during the period 1882 to 1889: there are 200 sittings. The register dates from the year 1692. The living is a prebendal rectory and vicarage, yearly value £400, with 183½ acres of glebe and residence, in the gift of the Duke of Marlborough KG and the Prebendary of Liddington, and held since 1882 by the Rev William Baker Pitt. There is a chapel for Wesleyans. A Parochial Hall was erected in 1884, upon the Rectory grounds, at a cost of £150, and will seat 100 persons. Liddington Castle is a large entrenchment or mound about a mile south. The old Manor House, an Elizabethan mansion, is now occupied by Major Cecil Wilson DSO. The Ecclesiastical Commissioners, the Rev Gerald C Dicker MA and Mr Jasper Hughes are the principal landowners. The soils is chalk and greensand; subsoil, clay. The land is chiefly in pasture. The area is 2,538 acres; rateable value, £2,564; the population in 1911 was 357 in the civil and 421 in the ecclesiastical parish.

By Local Government Board Order 16,483, dated March 24, 1884, the tithing of Coate was transferred from Liddington to Swindon for civil purposes.

Liddington Wick, 1½ miles north-west; **Medbourn**, quarter of a mile south-west; and **Liddington Warren**, 2 miles south-east, are hamlets here.

Sexton: William Fuller

Post & T Office: Edwin Vousden, sub-postmaster. Letters through Swindon arrive at 8am & 3.30pm and dispatched 11.35am & 9.30pm; Sundays, 9.30pm; no Sunday delivery. Wanborough, 2 miles distant, is the nearest money order office

Letter Box at Liddington cross road cleared at 9.30pm

Elementary School (mixed) built about 1845, with residence for mistress, for 67 children; Miss Edith Swale, mistress; Miss Adelaide Swale, infants' mistress

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Handy	Lucy	Miss		Purley House
Pitt	William Baker	Reverend	Prebendary & Rector	Rectory
Warman	Henry			
Whiting	John James Wilmott			Myrtle House
Wilson	Cecil	Major DSO		Lyddington Manor

Traders

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Barber	Richard George		Land Steward to Major C Wilson DSO	
Bartlett	Mary Ann	Mrs	Boot & Shoe Repairer	
		Croom Bros	Farmers	Liddington Wick (postal address, Coate, Swindon)
Fowler	John		Farmer	
Fowler	John jun		Farmer	
Gilling	Joseph		Farmer	Liddington Wick (postal address, Coate, Swindon)
Handy	Charles Edwards		Corn & Meal Merchant	
Hughes	Jasper		Farmer	Medbourne
Keen	George			Sun Inn
Liddiard	John	& Sons	Carpenters	
Theobald	Frank		Thatcher	
Vousden	Edwin		Baker & Post Office & Assistant Overseer	
Willoughby	John		Thatcher	
Woolcott	Henry Percy		Horse Dealer	Medbourne