



Kellys Directory Extract 1939

Worton & Marston



Worton & Marston are tithings, forming a small isolated village, on the road from Melksham to Salisbury, 4 miles south-west from Devizes station and 2½ from Lavington station, on the Great Western railway, in the Devizes division of the county, hundred of Potterne and Cannings, petty sessional division, rural district and county court district of Devizes, rural deanery of Potterne (Potterne portion), archdeaconry of Wilts, and diocese of Salisbury; for civil matters they are separate and independent, but were formed into an ecclesiastical parish in 1852 from the civil parish of Potterne. Electricity is available. Water is supplied by the Devizes Water Works. Christ Church erected in 1841, is a building of stone, in the Early English style, consisting of chancel, nave, transepts, west porch and a western turret containing one bell: a brass tablet mounted on an oak base was presented by Brig. Gen. E. H. Stevenson C.M.G., D.S.O., J.P. in memory of three men of the parish who fell in the Great War, 1914-1918: there are 240 sittings. The register dates from the year 1841. The living is a rectory, united in 1932 to the rectory of Poulshot, joint net yearly value £700, with 80 acres of glebe and residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Salisbury, and held since 1928 by the Rev. Stanley Harper, of Durham University. There is a Methodist chapel at Worton and another at Marston. The Library Hall was built out of funds given by the Carnegie Trust on freehold land which was presented by Mrs. Chaffey in 1911. There are a number of charities, the collective yearly value of which is about £50. The Ecclesiastical Commissioners are lords of the manor. The land is held by a large number of small owners. The soil is various, but principally clay, with a subsoil of clay and sand: two-thirds of the land are pasture, and principally devoted to dairy farming. The area of this parish is:- Worton 977 acres; of Marston, 906 acres; the population in 1931 was 385. Viz Worton 289; Marston, 96.

By the Wilts Review Order, 1934, part of the parish of Potterne was added to this parish for civil purposes.

Sexton - R. E. Gale.

Post & Telegraph Office Worton. Letters through Devizes. Potterne nearest Money Order office.

Worton Library Hall - Chairman, Rev. Stanley Harper.

Gentry/Private Residents - Worton

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Beaven	Ethel	Mrs.		Woodborough House
Brassey	Cecil Henry	Capt., Hon., J.P.		Prince Hill
Cobbett	William O.	Major		The Little House
Fry		Mrs.		Worton Mill
Harper	Stanley	Rev.	Rector	
Lovett		Miss		Worton Grange
Phillips	Basil Sydney	Rev., M.A.	Retired	The Ivy
Pountney	Frederick Spencer	Lt. Col., D.S.O.		The Green Porch
Travers	P. B.	Mrs.		Ibsens

Traders - Worton

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bodman	Charles J.		Motor car proprietor	Telephone Dezives 105Y6
Cox	John		Farmer	Marsh Farm °
Cox	Richard		Farmer	Hurst Farm **
Ellis	Harry Lot		Shopkeeper & Post Office	T. N. Worton 1
		Few Brothers	Farmers	Watts, Westview & Manor Farms °
Fielding	Frederick		Farmer	Cherry Orchard Farm **
Goodall	Henry	& Sons	Farmers	Park farm
Haines	Leonard		Farmer	Agra Farm
Holloway	George James		Builder	
Holloway	Isaac		Smallholder	
Jeffries	Charles		Farmer	Croft Farm **
Jinks	Edith	Mrs.	Publican	Royal Oak P. H.
Lewis	George		Smallholder	The Bungalow
Nutland	William		Farmer	Lutsey Farm
Singer	William		Publican	Rose & Crown P. H.
Sumner	William		Smallholder	

** = Postal Address of Great Cheverell, Littleton Panell, Dezives ° = Farm of 150 acres or over.

Traders - Marston

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bridewell	Thomas		Farmer	Croft Farm
Burbidge	Edwin J.		Smallholder	
Elliott	Joseph		Publican	Joseph Elliott
Few	Stanley		Farmer	Barn Farm
Harding	Ralph		Farmer	Manor Farm ° T. N. Dezives 394
Maggs	Herbert		Farmer	Pound Farm
Maggs	Oliver P.		Farmer	End Farm
Oram	Henry	(Executors of)	Farmer	
Phillips	Alfred John		Farmer	
Phillips	Augustus		Chimney Sweep	
Phillips	George		Farmer	Mansion Farm
Tyler	John		Farmer	Home Farm
Webley	John		Smallholder	

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