

Kelly's Directory Extract 1895 Hindon



Hindon is a parish, mostly comprised in one straight street, nearly a quarter of a mile in length, on a gradual acclivity, on the high road from Salisbury to Taunton, 3 ½ miles north-west from Tisbury station on the Salisbury and Yeovil branch of the South Western railway, 7 miles east from Mere, 16 west from Salisbury and 8 north-by-east from Shaftesbury, in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Downton, Tisbury and Mere petty sessional division, Tisbury union, Shaftesbury county court district, rural deanery of Chalk (Tisbury portion), and archdeaconry and diocese of Salisbury.

This was an ancient Parliamentary borough by prescription, and possessed a local government, having a bailiff and burgesses, and returned two members to parliament, but was disfranchised at the passing of the Reform Act in 1832.

On Holy Thursday, July 2nd, 1755, two-thirds of the town were destroyed by fire. The houses are built chiefly of stone, raised from the quarry at Tisbury, in this locality.

The church of St. John the Baptist, built in 1871, at the cost of Richard, late Marquess of Westminster, on the site of the old church, which was built in the reign of Queen Mary (probably about 1555), and endowed with £75 yearly, is of early French architecture, built of Chilmark stone with Bath stone dressings, and consists of chancel, nave, aisles, with vestry on the south side, with square western tower and spire containing 6 bells (the bells having been removed from the old church) and clock: there are two entrances, one at the western end, and a south entrance porch: the chancel is paved with encaustic tiles, and contains a fine circular window of good design, with three others of stained glass, to the memory of the late Marquess: the nave is divided from the aisles by arches, resting on cylindrical piers: the pulpit is of carved oak, and the font is of Bath stone; a new lectern has been added in the memory of J. G. and T. Hacker: the church is seated with open benches will hold 400 people: the organ cost over £200. The register dates from the year 1595. The living is a rectory, average £52, gross yearly value £183, net £179, in the gift of the Lord Chancellor, and held since 1886 by the Rev. Henry Walter Taylor M.A. of Magdalen Hall, Oxford. Here is a chapel for Primitive Methodists.

James Ames esq. late of Hindon, surgeon, who died June 9th, 1828, 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.

The market formerly held on Thursday has become obsolete, but fairs are still held on the 27th of May and 29th of October. The town is chiefly the property of Sir Michael Robert Shaw-Stewart bart. and Alfred Morrison esq.

The soil is light chalky loam; subsoil, chalk and flint. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats, &c, and pasturage. The area is 212 acres; rateable value, £793; the population in 1891 was 495.

Parish Clerk, George Beckett

Post, M. O. & T. O., S.B., Express Delivery & Annuity & Insurance Office – Mrs Ann Plank, postmistress. Letters arrive via Salisbury by cross road mail cart, & are delivered at 7 a.m. & 3.40 p.m.; dispatched at 11 a.m. & 6.40 p.m. by same conveyance on week days & 6.40 p.m. on Sundays.

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Public Officers

Medical Officer & Public Vaccinator, Hindon District, Tisbury Union, Joseph Charles Blythe L.R.C.S. & L.R.G.P.Edin, Southbridge house

Relieving Officer, No 1 District, Tisbury Union, School Attendance Officer, Registrar of Births & Deaths, Vaccination Officer, Hindon Sub-District, & Collector to the Guardians, James Isaac

School

National School (mixed & infants), for 141 infants; average attendance, 86 boys & girls & 58 infants; John Frederick Lang, master; Miss Caroline Lang, infants' mistress

Carriers

Mrs. Mary Ann Hull, from Tisbury to Warminster, thurs, returning same day; Beckett, to Salisbury, tues

Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Blythe	Joseph Chas.			Southridge House
Norriss	Stephen			Hindon
Reece	William	Rev. B.A.	Rector of Pertwood	Hindon
Taylor	Hy. Walt.	Rev. M.A.		The Rectory
Tucker	Thomas J.			Dean House

Commercial Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Beckett	George & Son		Basket Makers & Parish Clerk	Hindon
Beckett	James		Shopkeeper	Hindon
Beckett	Mary Ann	Mrs	Farmer & Carrier	Hindon
Bell	Henry		Shoe Maker	Hindon
Bevis	Henry Fremantle		Tailor	Hindon
Bevis	William Fremantle		Mason	Hindon
Blythe	Joseph Charles	L.R.C. S. & L.R.G. P. Edin., L.S.A.	Physician &Surgeon & Medical Officer & Public Vaccinator, Hindon dist. Tisbury Union	Southridge House
Bye	George		Mason	Hindon
Coombs	Albert		Shoeing smith	Hindon
Davis	Alfred		Insurance Agent	Hindon
Dunford	James		Wheelwright	Hindon
Isaac	James		Relieving Officer, No. 1 district, Tisbury Union & Attendance Officer to the Rural School Attendance Committee, Registrar of births & deaths & Vaccination Officer, Hindon sub-district, Tisbury Union & Collector to Guardians	Hindon
Hacker	Wm.		Lamb inn, & Farmer	Hindon
Kemp	Jn.		Grosvenor Arms P.H. & Farmer	Hindon

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Perrett	Elizabeth	Mrs	Grocer	Hindon
Perrett	George		Butcher & dealer	Hindon
Pittman	Cornelius		Butcher	Hindon
Ranger	Thos. Edward		Grocer & Baker	Hindon
Rawlings & Son			Grocers & Drapers	Hindon
Rawlings	Emma Louise	Miss	Corn & Seed Stores & Bacon Curer	Hindon
Ruddock	John		Cooper	Hindon
Staples	William Probert		Farmer	Hawking Down
Swyer	Charles		Blacksmith	Hindon
Truelock	George		Baker	Hindon
Vigor	William		Butcher	Hindon
White	Edward		Coal Dealer	Hindon