

Kelly's Directory Extract 1939 Hindon



Hindon is a parish, mostly consisting of 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 Southern railway, 7 miles east from Mere, 16 west from Salisbury, 7 north-by-east from Shaftesbury and 7 south-west from Warminster, in the Salisbury division of the county, hundred of Downton, Tisbury and Mere petty sessional division,rural district of Mere and Tisbury, county court district of Shaftesbury, rural deanery of Chalke (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; it 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 main street is planted on each side with trees presented by the late Sir M. Robert Shaw-Stewart bart. on the occasion of the marriage of His late Majesty Edw. VII. when Prince of Wales, 10 March, 1863. Electricity is available. Water is supplied by Mere and Tisbury Rural District Council.

The church of St. John the Baptist, built in 1871, at the cost of Richard, Marquess of Westminster, on the site of the old church, probably erected about 1555, is of Chilmark stone with Bath stone dressings, in the Early French Gothic style, and consists of chancel, nave, aisles, south porch, vestry, and a western tower, with spire, containing a clock and 6 bells, rehung in 1934: there are three memorial windows to the Marquess of Westminster, d. 1869: the lectern was given in memory of J. G. and T. Hacker: in a shrine are recorded the names of those belonging to the parish who served in the Great War, 1914-1918: the church affords 400 sittings. The register dates from the year 1595. The living is a vicarage with the rectories of Pertwood and Chicklade annexed, joint net yearly value £509, in the gift of the Lord Chancellor and Viscount Weymouth alternately, and held since 1938 by the Rev. Charles Francis Wellesley Wilkinson M.A. of Queen's College, Cambridge. There are Congregational and Primitive Methodist chapels.

James Ames esq. 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.

A monument of Portland stone is erected in the Square in memory of those who fell in the Great War, 1914-1918.

J. G. Morrison esq. M.F.H., J.P. and the farmers are the principal landowners. The soil is light chalky loam; subsoil, chalk and flint. The chief crops are wheat, barley, oats &c. and pasturage. The area is 1,031 acres; the population in 1931 was 486. \y the Wilts Review Order, 1934, parts of the parishes of Berwick St. Leonard, Fonthill Gifford and Chicklade were added to this parish for civil purposes.

Post, M. O. & T. Office. Letters through Salisbury.

Public Officer

Medical Officer & Public Vaccinator, Hindon District, Salisbury Area Guardians Committee, H. C. Beck M.B., B.S.Dunelm, Rose Cottage

Conveyance - Omnibuses to Salisbury pass through daily.

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Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Beck	Harold Charlton	M.B., B.S.		Croylands
Faulder	M. P.	Miss		Southridge
Heseltine	John Edwd. N.	LtCol. D.S.O.		Hawking Down
Wilkinson	Charles Francis Wellesley	Rev. M.A.	Vicar	Hindon

Commercial *Marked thus * farm 150 acres or over

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Baker	Bertram		Farmer, Builder & Undertaker. TN 220	Hindon
Baker	Samuel Frank		Stationer & Sub-postmaster. TN 220	Hindon
Beck	Harold Charlton	M.B., B.S.	Physician & Surgeon & Medical Officer & Public vaccinator Hindon district, Salisbury Area Guardians Committee TN 222	Croylands
Beckett	Wm.		Basket Maker	Hindon
Bevis	Carl F.		Builder	Hindon
Foresters' Club			(Thomas Kemp, secretary)	Hindon
Gillingham	Kate	Mrs	Shopkeeper	Hindon
Grosvenor Arms Hotel			(Albt. Jn. Symonds, Proprietor)	Hindon
Hayter	Albt.		Baker. TN 235	Hindon
Kemp	Beatrice	Mrs	Dress Maker	Hindon
Knowles	L.	Mrs	Butcher	Hindon
Lamb Inn			(Edwd. Hughes). TN 237	Hindon
Lamb	William A.		Builder	Hindon
Miles	Harry Fredk.		Boot & Shoe Dealer	Hindon
Rawlings & Son Ltd.			Grocers. TN 231	Hindon
White	Standford		Grocer. TN 213	Hindon
Wilts Working Men's Conservative Benefit Society (branch)			(Herbt. Dukes, Secretary) 11 High Street	Hindon