

## Kelly's Directory Extract 1915 Langley Burrell Without



LANGLEY BURRELL WITHOUT is a parish and scattered village on the river Avon, and on the road from Chippenham to Swindon, 1.5 miles north from Chippenham station, on the Swindon and Bath section of the Great Western railway, 7 south from Malmesbury, and 11.5 north from Devizes, in the North Western division of the county, Chippenham hundred, petty sessional division, union and county court district, and in Chippenham rural deanery, North Wilts archdeaconry, and Bristol diocese. By an Order of the Local Government Board dated September 29th 1894, Langley Burrell was divided into two parishes, one being called Langley Burrell Within and included in the municipal borough of Chippenham, and the other, known as Langley Burrell Without. Under the Borough of Chippenham (Extension) Order, 1914, that part of Langley Burrell Without (Lowden and Sheldon area) adjacent to Chippenham, was included in the borough. This place acquired its suffix from the Burrell or Borel family, who held the manor in the 13th century. The church of St Peter is an edifice of stone consisting of chancel, with south chantry, nave of three bays, north aisle, south porch with parvise, and an embattled tower on the south side containing 4 bells: the nave and portions of the chancel are Early English, the tower Decorated, and the north aisle and the south chantry, Perpendicular. The Cobham arms, (a chevron with three stars) appear on the ceiling of the nave, and to this family is traditionally ascribed, the building, or more correctly, the repairing of the church: against the west wall of the tower formerly stood a slab bearing male and female heads, now placed under a mural canopy: the church was restored in 1898 under the superintendence of Mr Harold Brakspear FSA, at a cost of £900: there are 246 sittings. The register dates from the year 1607. The living is a rectory, net yearly value £300, including 111 acres of glebe, with residence, in the gift of Miss Ashe, and held since 1910 by the Rev. Andrew Pope MA of Trinity College, Cambridge, who is also rector of Kellaways. Maud Heath, described in old deeds as of Langley Burrell, in 1474 gave houses and land in and near Chippenham, for the making and maintenance of a causey or stone path, from Bremhill to Chippenham: this is 4.5 miles long and it is endowed with property in Chippenham, to the annual value of between £100 and £200: the iron bridge over the Avon at Kellaways was constructed about 1870 with money raised on this trust, and the long pathway there, raised on numerous arches, is maintained from the same fund. In 1343, Thomas, Lord Berkeley purchased the manor and advowson of Sir John Delamere, land gave them, in the same year, with £2000 in money, to his daughter Joan, on her marriage with Sir Reginald Cobham. In 1460, Ralph Neville, in right of his wife, Margaret Cobham, held the property. In 1469, Langley Burrell had passed to Edward de Burgh, 2<sup>nd</sup> Baron de Burgh of Gainsborough, on his marriage with Anne, daughter of Sir Thomas Cobham. The manor was sold in 1565 by the de Burghs to John Read, and in the twentieth year of Elizabeth, 1578, was discharged from feudal homage to the Earls of Salisbury. In 1601, Henry White, then owner of Grittleton, bought the manor, and about 1660, his grandson sold it to Samuel Ashe esq, in whose family it has remained ever since. Miss Ashe is lady of the manor and the principal landowner. In a field on Peckingell Farm, a peculiar oolitic limestone, with characteristic fossils, has been met with. The appearance of a bituminous shale in the Oxford clay above this rock, led to several attempts to find coal in this formation, but without success. The soil is clayey and sandy loam, and the land is chiefly in pasture. The area of Langley Burrell Without, before the alteration previously mentioned, was 1803 acres of land and 9 of water: rateable value (1915) £6071: the population in 1911 was 713 in the civil and 319 in the ecclesiastical parish.

Sexton: Hugh Jefferies

**Post Office:** John Hiscocks, sub-postmaster. Letters arrive from Chippenham at 7am & 1.15pm, Sundays, 7am, dispatched at 9.25 & 11.35am & 7.40pm, Sundays arrive 7am, dispatched 9.35am. Chippenham is the nearest money order and telegraph office.

**Wall Letter Box:** Brewery, cleared at 9.25 & 11.30am & 7.40pm, Sundays, 9.35am; Pewhill House, cleared at 11.40am & 7.50pm, Sundays, 10.5am.

**Elementary School** (mixed) built in 1844, with residence for mistress, and enlarged in 1902 for 55 children, & supported by Miss Ashe; Mrs A C Sharpe, mistress.

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## **Gentry/Private Residents**

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Ashe		Miss		Langley House
Brock	Lancelot de Laumerez			Langley Green
Lawrence	Richard			Langley Cottage
Neeld	Mortimer Graham	Lt Col	late 17 <sup>th</sup> Lancers	Langley Lodge
Pearce	Ralph			Brewery House
Pope	Andrew	Reverend MA	Rector	Rectory
Terrell	George	MP		Avon House & 31
				Chesham St, SW

## **Traders**

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Brinkworth	Harry		Farmer	Peckingell
Bryant	Thomas		Farmer	Home Farm
Froes	Joseph F G		Farmer	Jacksons
Harding	Thomas		Farmer	Rawlings Farm
Knight	William F		Farmer	Common Farm
Lessiter	Benjamin		Farmer	
Payne	William		Farmer	Barrow Farm
Pearce	Ralph		Brewer	Langley Brewery
Sharp	Edward J		Farmer	Marsh Farm
Smith	Robert		Farmer	Thornhill
Tasker	George		Beer Retailer	
Vowles	Harry E		Farmer	Manor Farm
Webber	Walter William		Farmer	Peckingell