

Kelly's Directory Extract 1939

Sevenhampton is a hamlet and tithing on the river Cole, which here forms the boundary of Berks and Wilts, 1 ½ miles south-east from Highworth station on the Swindon and Highworth branch of the Great Western Railway, 8 east from Cricklade and 6 north-east from Swindon, in the rural deanery of Cricklade, arch-deaconry of Swindon and diocese of Bristol. The church of St. James, erected in 1863, is of stone in the Early English Style, and consists of chancel, nave, south porch and a western tower containing 6 bells: the east window and all the windows in the chancel are stained in 1894 the church was redecorated by means of a legacy left by Charles Sewell esq.: there are about 250 sittings. The register dates from 1813, previous to which it was included in that of Highworth. Sevenhampton is a chapelry attached to the vicarage of Highworth, joint net yearly value £564, with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Bristol, and held since 1932 by the Rev. Frederick Reginald Webb M.A. of St John's College, Durham, who resides at Highworth. A Sum of £2,000. Bequeathed by Lady Wetherell Warneford and invested in 2 ½ per cent. Consols, yields about £58 per annum, which is distributed in coals, blankets and warm clothing, amongst the poor and labouring classes resident in the tithing. Warneford Place, the residence of the Hon. Evelyn Banbury, Lady of the manor and central block dating from 1566 with wings added in 1734: the house, which stands in an extensive park, is immediately surrounded by beautiful gardens about 14 acres in extent, and approached by an avenue of elms a mile in length; until purchased by the present owner the Warneford estate belonged for many centuries to the Warneford family. The soil is loam and limestone; with wheat, barley, beans and roots. The area and population are included with Highworth.

Post Office. Letters through Swindon. Highworth nearest M.O. & T. office
(For T N see general list of Private Residents at end of book)
Banbury Hon. Evelyn, Warneford pl
Marked thus* farm over 150 acres or over.

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Bryant & Case*			Farmers	Sevenhampton farm. Highworth 50
Downham	Edmnd		Farm Bailiff	To Hon Evelyn Banbury
Haine*	Herbt		Farmer	Roves farm
Hambridge*	Geo. Thos		Farmer	Queenslains farm Highworth 51
Mapson	Oliver Geo		Gardener	To Hon Evelyn Banbury
Moore	Jas		Gamekeeper	To Hon Evelyn Banbury
Tilling	Chas		Tobacconist	
Wilson*	Geo. Jas		Hedges	Billingham Farm Highworth 23