

Post Office Directory Extract 1855 Wilsford (Nr. Pewsey)



Wilsford, or WIVELSFORD, near Devizes, is a township, village, and parish, in Swanborough Hundred, situated on the river Avon, about 6 miles south-west from Pewsey, and 7 south-east from Devizes.

The living is a vicarage, in the presentation of St. Nicholas's Hospital, Salisbury; the Rev. William Francis Raymond is the present incumbent, and the Rev. Edward Everett is curate.

The church, an ancient structure, with a square tower, contains a pulpit 226 years old.

Sir Francis Astley is lord of the manor.

The parish includes the hamlet of Manningford Bohun, and contains 1,692 acres of land and a population of 306 in Wilsford tithing, and 1,305 acres and a population of 269 in Manningford Bohun tithing.

Bottlesford is a tithing in this parish. Manningford Bohune is a hamlet; it has a National school and a Baptist chapel.

Cottenham is a quarter of a mile south-east; Puck Shipton, half a mile north-east; Gore, and Broad Street, 1 ½ miles north.

POST OFFICE – James Oram, postmaster. Letters from Pewsey, arrive 10 a.m.; dispatched 10 min. to 4 p.m. The nearest money order office is at Pewsey.

CARRIER - Dunford, to Devizes, Thursday.

Gentry/Private Residents

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Everett	Edward	Rev.	Curate	
Hayward	Harry	Esq.		
Hicks	Thomas	Esq.		

Traders

Surname	Given Names	Title	Industry/Occupation	Place/Parish
Cox	William		Farmer	Bottlesford
Dunford	James		Shopkeeper & carrier	
Gale	Henry		[Inn Keeper]	Seven Stars, Bottlesford
Hayward	Harry		Farmer	
Hayward	William Piearce		Farmer	
Laws	John		Shoemaker & shopkeeper	
Oram	James		Postmaster	
Oram	Thomas		Smith & farrier	
Springlett	Thomas		Corn miller	
Stratton	William		Farmer	Manningford Bohun
Wells	George		Shopkeeper & beer retailer	
Wise	William		Carpenter	

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