

Kelly's Directory 1907

WINTERBOURNE EARLS (or WINTERBOURNE) is a parish and village, in the Bourne valley, 1½ miles south-west from Porton station on the London and South Western railway, 3½ miles north-east from Salisbury, and 6 south from Amesbury, in the Southern division of the county, Alderbury hundred, Salisbury and Amesbury petty sessional division, Amesbury Union, Salisbury County Court district, rural deanery of Amesbury (Alderbury portion), archdeaconry of Sarum and diocese of Salisbury.

The church of St Michael erected in 1868 near former site, for this parish and that of Winterbourne Dantsey, is a fine building of flint and stone in the Early English style, consisting of chancel, nave of three bays, south porch, south aisle and an embattled tower with pinnacles, containing 5 bells: the east window and others in the chancel are stained; there are 287 sittings.

The register of this parish dates from 1567, that of Winterbourne Dantsey from 1561.

The living is a vicarage, with Winterbourne Dantsey annexed, joint net yearly value £236, with residence, in the gift of the Bishop of Salisbury, and held since 1897 by the Rev. Frank Elcho Skyrme M.A. of Brasenose College, Oxford.

The Bungalow, formerly a private residence, situated on high ground, has been purchased by the Corporation of Salisbury, and is now used as an Isolation Hospital for 17 patients.

The poor of the parish participate in Tanner's charity, see Winterbourne Gunner, also in Cartwright's charity.

The hamlet of Hurdcott, half a mile south, consists of a large number of cottages. There is a small Wesleyan chapel.

Capt. George Housom Fort, of Alderbury House, who is lord of the manor of Winterbourne Earls, and Richard Arthur Pleydell Bouverie-Campbell-Wyndham Esq, of Corhampton House, near Bishop's Waltham, Hants, who is lord of the manor of Hurdcott, are also chief landowners.

The soil is chalk; subsoil, same.
The chief crops are wheat, barley and roots.
The area is 1,698; rateable value £1,915
The population in 1901 was 216.

Parish Clerk, Sydney Elkin.

Letters arrive from Salisbury via Winterbourne Gunner at 8am & 3.10pm; leave at 6.30pm.
Winterbourne Gunner is the nearest money order & telegraph office, 1 mile distant.
Wall letter box cleared 1.45 & 7.30pm; Sundays 5.20pm.

Elementary School, for the use of this and the adjoining parishes of Winterbourne Dantsey and Winterbourne Gunner, built in 1867, for 127 children; average attendance 90; there is a residence for the Master adjoining the schools.
Albert William Hopkins, schoolmaster.

County Police Station: Wm Waite, Constable in Charge

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders

Surname	Given Name	Industry/Occupation
Blount	George	The Cottage
Skyrme, Rev	Frank Elcho MA	Vicarage
Sutton	Thomas Blake	Fairfield
Twining, Mrs		Hurdcott Farm House
Beken	M	Engine Packing Manufacturer
Elkin	Sydney	Parish Clerk
Fry	Walter	Dairyman
Hopkins	Albert William	Schoolmaster
Kelly	John	Black Horse P.H. & Blacksmith, Hurdcott
Towers	Edmund Fixon BA MD Medical Officer	Salisbury Corporation Isolation Hospital, The Bungalow
Brown, Miss	Margaret, Nurse in Charge	Salisbury Corporation Isolation Hospital, The Bungalow
Smith & Rowden		Builders & Wheelwrights
Stevens	George	Carrier, Hurdcott
Sutton	Job	Manor Farm
Sutton	Thomas Blake	Farmer
Waite	William	Constable in Charge, County Police Station