

# Oxfordshire

## BURFORD GAZETTEER: OWNERS AND OCCUPIERS

### High Street: No. 92 (Bizzieblue)

*Work on the owners and occupiers of Burford's buildings was undertaken during 2003-6 as part of the Oxfordshire EPE project. The research accompanied the architectural investigations summarised on this website.*

*Standard sources included: census enumerators' books 1841-1901 in The National Archives; District Valuation assessments in Oxfordshire Record Office; printed trades directories including Kelly's Directory of Oxfordshire (1883-1939); RH Gretton, The Burford Records (1920), which summarises a vast body of early property deeds; and research (published and unpublished) by the Revd Raymond Moody and Mrs Joan Moody of Burford, drawing in part on title deeds in private possession. In some cases lack of documentation prevents the building's history being taken back earlier than the 19th century. The research was carried out by RB Peberdy of VCH Oxfordshire.*

### OCCUPATION and USE

#### 2006

Shop called Bizzieblue

#### 2003

Sue Ryder charity shop.

#### Late 20th c.

Used for a while for a junk shop run by John Hamilton (inf. from R. Moody).

#### 1910

[Situation uncertain.]

#### 1901

Occupied by Mary Avery and son (printer) (census, entry no. 41).

#### 1899

Jonah Avery, printer, listed ([Kelly's Dir. Oxon.](#)).

#### 1895

Jonah Avery, printer, listed ([Kelly's Dir. Oxon.](#)).

#### 1891

Uninhabited (census, after entry no. 40).

#### 1887

Stephen Matthews, carpenter and wheelwright, listed ([Kelly's Dir. Oxon.](#)).

#### 1881

Occupied by Stephen Matthews (carpenter, wheelwright), wife, 4 children, mother-in-law (farmer's widow) (census, entry no. 50).

**1876**

G. Shepperd, confectioner, listed (Harrod's Dir. Oxon.).

**1871**

Occupied by George Sheppard (confectioner), wife, dau. (census, entry no. 48).

**1863**

George Shepperd listed as 'baker & confectioner' (Dutton, Allen & Co. Dir. Oxon.).

**1861**

Occupied by George Sheppard (confectioner), wife, dau. (census, entry no. 62).

**1854**

George Sheppard described as 'baker, confectioner, and agent for Stivens' British Wines, and the Chin Faung Tea Company' (Billing's Dir. Oxon.); also described as 'baker & confectioner & farmer' (PO Dir.).

**1851**

Occupied by George Sheppard (confectioner), wife, servant (census, 3rd part, entry no. 35).

**1841**

Probably occupied by George Shepperd (confectioner), wife (census, entry no. 338).

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## PLOT INFORMATION

Measured by Oxfordshire Buildings Record. Frontage width (OBR measurement): 3.87 m. Length (map measurement): 22 m. (Length is of tenement plot in 1921, assuming that rear boundary of plot is back wall of building on rear of plot.)

**1999**

Area of building appears to be virtually unchanged since 1921.

**1921**

Building is very narrow.

**Read more in the EPE book *Burford: Buildings and People in a Cotswold Town* by Antonia Catchpole, David Clark and Robert Peberdy (published 2008)**

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