

Oxfordshire

BURFORD GAZETTEER: OWNERS AND OCCUPIERS

High Street: No. 166 (Rose Cottage)

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Gretton, The Burford Records (1920), which summarises a vast body of early property deeds; and research (published and unpublished) by the Revd Raymond Moody and Mrs Joan Moody of Burford, drawing in part on title deeds in private possession.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

2003

Domestic use.

1910

(Inc. 168 below) owned by Charles Pether; occupied by Frank Pether (DV Survey, ref. no. 464).

1901

Unoccupied; described as 'Cottage to let' (census, information between entries nos. 98 and 99).

1891

(Probably inc. No. 198) occupied by John Mills (agric. labourer), wife, dau. (census, entry no. 107).

1881

Occupied by John Webb (general dealer), wife, 4 children, visitor (widow) (census, entry no. 118).

1871

Occupied by John Smith (agric. labourer), wife (census, entry no. 116).

1861

Situation unclear. Possibly no separate entry for this building (or entry for George Pratley (baker) and household belongs here – see above, No. 164).

1851

Probably occupied by Elizabeth Wyatt (pauper, agric. labourer's wife), son (census, 3rd part, entry no. 63).

1841

Probably occupied by Elizabeth Wyatt (widow) and probably son and dau. (census, entry no. 312).

PLOT INFORMATION

Measured by Oxfordshire Buildings Record. Frontage width (OBR measurement): 11.15 m. Length (map measurement): 60 m. (at longest). [WIDTH includes 166 and 168.]

NOTE: that Nos. 166 and 168 are two cottages within one building.

1999

Since 1921 no. 166 has apparently been extended at the back.

1921

The cottage was almost square in shape.

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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