

# Oxfordshire

## BURFORD GAZETTEER: OWNERS AND OCCUPIERS

### High Street: No. 112

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Gretton, The Burford Records (1920), which summarises a vast body of early property deeds; and research (published and unpublished) by the Revd Raymond Moody and Mrs Joan Moody of Burford, drawing in part on title deeds in private possession.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

Jackson-Stops and Staff (estate agents).

#### 1920

Henry Wyatt, saddler, listed ([Kelly's Dir. Oxon.](#)).

#### 1910

Probably owned and occupied by Henry Wyatt (DV Survey, ref. no. 414).

#### 1901

Occupied by Henry Wyatt (saddle- and harnessmaker), wife, nephew (saddle- and harnessmaker) (census, entry no. 54).

#### 1891

Occupied by Henry Wyatt (saddler [and harnessmaker]), wife, nephew (saddler [and harnessmaker]) (census, entry no. 60).

#### 1881

Occupied by Henry Wyatt (saddler), wife, apprentice (census, entry no. 70).

#### 1876

Henry Wyatt listed as 'saddle and harnessmaker' ([Harrod's Dir. Oxon.](#)).

#### 1874

Henry Wyatt, saddler, listed ([Mercer and Crocker's Dir. Oxon.](#)).

#### 1871

Occupied by John Godfrey (cabinet maker), wife, 4 children (census, entry no. 68).

**1861**

Occupied by James Dumbleton (butcher), wife, 7 children (census, entry no. 80).

**1851**

Probably occupied by Richard Griffin (watchmaker), visitor (upholsteress) (census, 3rd part, entry no. 43). (N.b., see also 104 High St above for further refs. to Richard Griffin. Griffin is listed from 1850; first ref. under watchmakers in Slater's Dir. )

**1841**

[Tenement unlocated in census. May possibly have been tenement of John Harris (watchmaker), wife, child (diff. surname), 3 children (census, entry no. 333).]

**1800**

The George ceases to be an inn (R. Moody, Inns of Burford, p. 18).

**1713**

Trustees lease property to Richard Jordan of Witney; house is occupied with the George by Thomas Kennett, with 12 a. arable; lease for 21 years at £8 per year (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 358).

**1698**

Trustees lease property to Richard Jordan of Witney, gentleman; occupied by William Gossen; also 12 a. arable; lease for 21 years at £8 per year (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 357).

**1687**

Trustees lease property to Richard Jordan of Witney; described as the 'new building next the George', with 12 a. arable; 21 years at £8 per year (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 356).

**1660**

Trustees lease property to Richard Veisey of Burford, innholder; lease for 21 years at £6 6s. per year (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 353).

**1652**

Property belongs to Thomas Jordan and is in tenure of John Knight; described as late the land of Robert Veysey (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., i, p. 446).

**1632**

Trustees lease house in tenure of John Collyer to Robert Veysey of Chimney, Bampton; house is 23 ft wide (on street) and 30 ft deep; described as 'lately added and adjoined to the George'. It contains: six chambers, cellar, parlour, lodging chamber over parlour, cock-loft over lodging chamber, two back rooms towards the kitchen; also 12 a. arable. Lease for 31 years at £4 per year (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 352).

**1628**

20 January, Burford's charity properties are conveyed to new trustees; property on High Street is apparently still occupied John Collyer (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., pp. 344—5).

**1608**

Burford's charity properties are conveyed to new trustees; property on High Street is occupied by John Collyer, and described as 'lately newly erected by him'; contains 32 ft east to west, 22 ft north to south (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., pp. 342—3).

**1599**

Trustees lease property to Richard Meryweather, yeoman, alderman of Burford; lease for 90 years at 23s. 8d. per year (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 341).

**1598**

Burford's charity properties are conveyed to new trustees; property on High Street is occupied by John Scarborough, shoemaker (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., pp. 339—40).

**1580**

Properties formerly belonging to Thomas Poole are conveyed to new trustees; property on High Street is occupied by Richard Chancelere, yeoman (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 338).

**1513**

Properties formerly belonging to Thomas Poole are conveyed to new trustees (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 336).

**1504**

Thomas Poole's executors convey properties to two Burford trustees (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 336).

**1500**

Property among lands and tenements bequeathed by Thomas Poole to wife and then to trustees (of Burford guild); trustees to use profits to pay poor people in almshouse 6d. each per week (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 336).

**1495**

3 June, John Kene of 'Kenkeham' [=Kingham, Oxon.?] and others release house to Thomas Pole and others; house has shop, cellars, solar (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 335).

**1495**

13 April, John Hill alias Prior of Burford, yeoman, conveys house to Thomas Pole of London, tailor, and others (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 335).

**1418**

Nicholas Chaloner, chaplain, conveys messuage to William Brampton and wife Margaret; a tenement of William Brampton is to the north (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 333).

**1405**

John Cook and wife Christina convey shop to Thomas Alys and wife Matilda; between tenements of William Brampton and Thomas Alys (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 333).

**1404—5**

William Brampton of Oxford, mercer, and wife Margaret sell a sixth of a messuage to Thomas Alys of Burford and wife Matilda (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 334).

**1404**

William Brampton of Oxford conveys property to Nicholas Chaloner, chaplain. Property is 20 ft long, 23 ft deep [presumably wide] (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 333).

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## **PLOT INFORMATION**

Measured by Oxfordshire Buildings Record. Frontage width (OBR measurement): 6.95 m. Length (map measurement): 12 m. (Length is that of 1921.)

(See also 'Antiques@The George' above.)

**1999**

Since 1921 the first cottage in the George Yard appears to have been added to the front building unit.

**1921**

The building unit south of the gateway is slightly deeper than wide. Its depth is the same as that of the adjacent gateway.

**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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