

Oxfordshire

BURFORD GAZETTEER: OWNERS AND OCCUPIERS

High Street: No. 184 (Limehurst)

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Gretton, The Burford Records (1920), which summarises a vast body of early property deeds; and research (published and unpublished) by the Revd Raymond Moody and Mrs Joan Moody of Burford, drawing in part on title deeds in private possession.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

Owned (with No. 186) by Grammar School Governors; occupied by Susannah Orpwood (DV Survey, ref. 193).

1901

Probably cottage 'to let' (census, comment between entries nos. 109 and 110).

1891

Occupied by Jane Wilkowskie, 4 sons (inc. general servant) (census, entry no. 120).

1881

Occupied by Edwin Simms (journeyman miller), wife, 4 children (census, entry no. 133).

1871

Occupied by George Large (maltman), wife, 4 daus. (census, entry no. 129).

1861

Probably occupied by Henry Pately (agric. labourer), wife, 3 children (census, entry no. 139).

1859

Described as cottage 'generally in a good state'; occupied by Henry Pratley (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 518).

1851

Probably uninhabited (census, 3rd part, comment between entries nos. 74 and 75).

1841

This appears to have been unoccupied (though not listed as such), or was possibly occupied by George Day (listed under No. 182 above).

1731

Tenement (Nos. 184 and 186) is leased by trustees of School property to Mary Townsend, spinster (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 332).

1727

Tenement (Nos. 184 and 186) is held by Widow Townsend (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 332).

1714

Tenement (Nos. 184 and 186) is leased by trustees of School property to Edmund Townsend, labourer; lease for 21 years at 40s. per year (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 331).

1704

Tenement (Nos. 184 and 186) is held by Edward Townsend (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 331).

1699

Tenement (Nos. 184 and 186) is leased by trustees of School property to Edward Townsend, maltster; lease for 21 years at £2 per year (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 330).

1687

Tenement (Nos. 184 and 186) held by Margaret Greenhill (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 330).

1651

Tenement (Nos. 184 and 186) held by Edmund Vincent alias Greenhill (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 328).

1628

Tenement (Nos. 184 and 186) is held from the School trustees by Jeremy Jellyman and occupied by George Greenhill (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 346).

1607, 1609

Tenement (Nos. 184 and 186) is part of endowment of Burford G.S. and is held by Francis Perks (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., pp. 562—3).

1587

Tenement (Nos. 184 and 186) is probably a tenement described as belonging to the parish church (R.H. Gretton, Burford Recs., p. 323).

PLOT INFORMATION

Measured by Oxfordshire Buildings Record. Frontage width (OBR measurement): 7.72 m.
Length (map measurement): 70 m.

WIDTH includes No. 184 and No. 186 (left bay, 3.9 m., passage, 1.1 m., right bay 2.72 m.)

NOTE: Limehurst (184) and Danum Cottage (186) have a common front but are two separate cottages with a common passageway. They also apparently share the rear of the tenement plot.

1999

Ground area apparently unchanged since 1921.

1921

Narrow cottage.

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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