

# Oxfordshire

## BURFORD GAZETTEER: OWNERS AND OCCUPIERS

### High Street: No. 74-76 (Budgens)

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Gretton, The Burford Records (1920), which summarises a vast body of early property deeds; and research (published and unpublished) by the Revd Raymond Moody and Mrs Joan Moody of Burford, drawing in part on title deeds in private possession.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

#### 2007

Budgens (shop)

#### 2003

Partridges (shop).

#### c. 1970

Premises acquired by John Hussey, who gutted the building (revealing a previous central passageway and adjacent timber-framed cottages) and converted it into a supermarket (inf. from R. Moody).

#### 1939

H.A. Hollis & Son listed; described as 'ironmongers & hot water engineers; agents for Calor Gas' (Kelly's Dir. Oxon.).

#### 1920

Harold A. Hollis, ironmonger, listed (Kelly's Dir. Oxon.).

#### 1911

Charles East & Son, 'ironmongers', listed (Kelly's Dir. Oxon.).

#### 1910

Owned and occupied by Charles East (DV Survey, ref. no. 393).

#### 1903

Charles East & Son listed as 'ironmongers, engineers & waterworks contractors' (Kelly's Dir. Oxon.).

**1901**

Occupied by Charles East (engineer), son (engineer), dau.-in-law, 2 grandchildren, servant (census, entry no. 38).

**1899**

Charles East and Son, 'ironmongers', listed (Kelly's Dir. Oxon.).

**1891**

Occupied by Charles East (steam and water engineer), wife, dau. (shop assistant), domestic servant (girl) (census, entry no. 38).

**1887**

Charles East, 'ironmonger', listed (Kelly's Dir. Oxon.).

**1881**

Occupied by Charles East (hydraulic engineer, employing 4 men), wife, 2 children (census, entry no. 45).

**1876**

Hemmings & Son, 'ironmongers', listed (Harrod's Dir. Oxon.).

**1871**

Occupied by William Hemming (engineer and ironmonger), wife, son (engineer in ironworks) (census, entry no. 45).

**1863**

William Hemming and Son, 'ironmongers', listed (Dutton, Allen & Co.'s Dir. Oxon.).

**1861**

Occupied by William Hemming (engineer, employing 3 men), wife, son, visitor (census, entry no. 58).

**1852**

William Hemmings (sic) listed as 'engineer, ironmonger, and plumber' (Gardner's Dir. Oxon.).

**1851**

Occupied by William Himming (engineer), wife, dau. (census, 3rd part, entry no. 31).

**1847**

William Hemming listed as 'civil engineer & ironmonger' (PO Dir. Oxon.).

**1842**

William Hemming listed under 'Blacksmiths' (Pigot's Dir.).

**1841**

Probably occupied by William Hemming (smith), wife, 2 children, probably. father, girl (probably servant) (census, entry no. 118).

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## PLOT INFORMATION

Measured by Oxfordshire Buildings Record. Frontage width (OBR) measurement: 10.98 m. Length (map measurement): 108 m. (Length refers to complete plot in 1921.)

### 1999

Since 1921 the front section appears to have been extended westwards, and the outbuildings have been replaced, or converted, into a long extension of the front section.

### 1921

Property contains a large, almost square unit at the front, abutting the street, and a row of outbuildings behind, abutting the plot's southern boundary.

**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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