

Oxfordshire

BURFORD GAZETTEER: OWNERS AND OCCUPIERS

High Street: No. 168 (Hill 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Gretton, The Burford Records (1920), which summarises a vast body of early property deeds; and research (published and unpublished) by the Revd Raymond Moody and Mrs Joan Moody of Burford, drawing in part on title deeds in private possession.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

See No. 166 above.

1901

Occupied by Thomas Bond (bellfounder), wife, dau. (census, entry no. 99).

1891

Occupied by Thomas Smith (wood agent), wife, 3 sons (agric. labourers), dau., granddau. (census, entry no. 108).

1881

Occupied by James Webb (agric. labourer), wife, son (journeyman saddler) (census, entry no. 119).

1871

Occupied by James Webb (agric. labourer), wife, nephew (census, entry no. 117).

1861

Occupied by James Webb (agric. labourer), wife, 3 children, grandson (census, entry no. 126).

1851

Occupied by James Webb (agric. labourer), wife, 5 children (inc. 2 agric. labourers) (census, 3rd part, entry no. 64).

1841

Occupied by James Packer (agric. labourer), wife, 4 children (census, entry no. 311).

1773

Property was 'late' in the occupation of William Daniels (title abstract; inf. from R. Moody).

PLOT INFORMATION

Measured by Oxfordshire Buildings Record. Frontage width: see No. 166 above. Length (map measurement): 44 m.

See Note above, under No. 166.

1999

Like No. 166, this has apparently been extended at the back.

1921

Like No. 166, this cottage was almost square in ground area.

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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