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Minor local events more alarming to the inhabitants were prodigious swarms of insects in 1576 and 1681, the strange appearance in the 17th century of enormous numbers of dead bats floating inches deep down the Avon, and a snow-storm in 1634 fatal in its size and suddenness. In 1324 the Crown made the first of a series of grants of pavage in the town, and in 1327 there were 114 burgageholdings in the manor.

Tewkesbury Historical Society

. The , located off Church Street, is a timber-framed building, formally a medieval hall house dating to the 1480s.

Tewkesbury Buildings and Places

The Upper Lode was evidently the ferry recorded in 1248 as 'Wulmareslode', and is likely to be that to which John atte Lode in 1385 and John Donne the ferryman in 1450 belonged. A report of 1835, while recording that the 'town appeared to be in a thriving state', noted some of the symptoms of this decline. The roof is finely groined, and at the intersections of the ribs is embellished with figures of angels playing on musical instruments.

History of Tewkesbury, a medieval market town

The prosperity and perhaps also a growing self-consciousness were reflected in 1575 in the grant to the town, which already had some of the characteristics of a corporate borough, of a charter of incorporation. The Lancastrian army reached Gloucester on the morning of Friday, 3 rd May 1471, after marching through the night, to find the Yorkist garrison ready for them and the gates firmly shut.

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Paget; suffered then a demolition of its Lady chapel and its cloisters; and is now represented by its church, its chapter-house, and a gatehouse.

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It is now kept in the 's building. The fair itself is also an underlining point of Tewkesbury's industrial past, as Walker Gallopers were produced in the area by Walkers in the early 20th century.

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