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Chequers has offered recuperation to prime ministers for 100 years

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Chequers, Buckinghamshire. The country home of the Prime Ministers of Great Britain.

Possibly it may have been constructed around an earlier building already there — as it is thought a house has been on the site since Roman times....

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David Lloyd George was the first PM to use it. It will happen one day. He was the son of a Dorset rector and had joined the Royal Artillery in 1888.

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Despite being at the centre of British government, very few members of the public have ever seen it as it's not open to the public.

Where is Chequers and where does the name come from?

Despite having his own , Churchill was fond of it. During the war that Munich failed to prevent, Winston Churchill regularly broadcast from there. There is also the possibility that the name derives from the chequer trees that grow on the grounds of the property.

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It is not commonly seen nowadays — but can be a pointer to identifying ancient woodland....

The Queen dines with Prime Minister at Chequers for first time in 18 years

It also reserved the use of the house to the Lees until their deaths. It states: It is not possible to foresee or foretell from what classes or conditions of life the future wielders of power in this country will be drawn.

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