Chinnor Archive Index

General Introduction

'First and foremost, the great majority of English villages are there because a thousand to fifteen hundred years, the site on which they stand made them particularly suitable for occupation by farming settlers.' Chinnor is a spring line settlement at the foot of the Chilterns. The name may have originally have meant the ora or slope of a man called Ceonna and the name has been subsequently spelt Chennore then Chynor. It lies along the Icknield Way the oldest road in Britain yielding Saxon and Roman artefacts. Initially, all these Chiltern parishes were wedge shaped, rectangular, scarp-foot villages at the joint of the chalk and clay. The shape of Chinnor village is a rectangle and a mile in circuit. The church of St. Andrew is situated on the southern boundary of the rectangle. The village green, classified as a peripheral green, was common land used for sheep grazing, and was situated on Chinnor Hill, a steep rise from 500-800 feet, leaving the plain for agriculture. The rectangular shape of Chinnor is in contrast to the linear developments of the neighbouring hamlets of: Sydenham, Henton and Emmington, whilst Aston Rowant and Kingston Blount cluster around a green. Chinnor is bound by a steep wooded escarpment to a plateau of medium sized fields dissected by spring lines with a number of old hedges around the hamlets of Emmington and Henton. Key landscape features include a mosaic of woods and small fields, spring lines, ancient hedges, the Hollow Way and the Ridgeway. There is a large chalk quarry to the south of the village which is of geological importance.² The ancient parish before 1932 was a spread of 2,712 acres and, like other Chiltern villages, was narrow and elongated in shape.³ The ridge above the village is covered with beech trees.

<u>History</u>

¹ For a review of village plan types and village forms see Brian Roberts, Rural Settlement in Britain (Folkestone, 1977) pp. 122-123 also of interest for village morphology, Roberts, The Making of the English Village (Harlow, 1987).

² Nature Conservation Strategy for Oxfordshire, Parish Conservation Register for the parish of Chinnor, Coppock, British Landscapes, plate 1.

³ Victoria County History, A History of the County of Oxford, vol. 8 Lewknor and Pyrton Hundreds, www.british-history.ac.uk, on line, p. 55.

The documented history of Chinnor goes back to 120 million years ago, the age of a shark's tooth fossil found in the quarry and exhibited at an exhibition in 1967. Chinnor has an entry in the Domesday Book and during its long history has survived the Civil War, two World Wars and has benefitted from the expansion of roads and railways. This has given rise to a rich and varied history detils of which

The Social History of Medical Self-Help in 20th-Century England: A Microhistory of a Rural Community. Fiona Mantle

British History on Line, Chinnor: A history County of Oxford vol. 8, Lewknor and Pyrton hundreds, (Victoria County History Publication 1964). Covers: Manors, lesser estates, mills, economic and social history, parish government, churches, RC, protestant and non conformist, schools, charities.

Chinnor Wikipedia.

Chinnor history 1975 Guide to Chinnor text.

The History of Chinnor? written 1929 text.17 pages

Chinnor from time immemorial to the present day. Chinnor library 942.57.

The Magna Carta Project. *Notification of the King's grant of Chinnor and Sydenham* (Oxfordshire) Saer de Quincy Earl of Winchester. (1203). Bodleian Library Oxford, B= PRO C52/8 (Cartae Antiquae Roll H) http://magnacarta.cmp.ucea.uk/newly-discovered-charters.

Open Domesday www.domesdaymap.co.uk/place/SP7500/chinnor text

A vision of Britain through time Social Status 1831 occupational statistics in Chinnor

History of Chinnor compiled by the Chinnor Women's Institute (1929) and recompiled in (1933), as the result of an initiative by the Federation of Women's Institutes and assisted by their publication *How to Compile a History and Present Day Record of Village Life* by Joan Wake (Northampton, 1935) Chinnor library, 942.57 *History of Chinnor (1979)* Chinnor Women's Institute, Chinnor Public library, 942.57.

History and Memories of Chinnor, folder, Chinnor library.

Post cards of Chinnor

Celebrations of national events

Fund raising for war effort

Historical trade receipts.

Memories of St. Andrew's School Mabel Howlett

Chinnor crafts: lace making, straw plaiting, bonnet making

Census Returns

Dilliamores

Chinnor guides and brownies

Rifle and pistol club

Memories of St. Andrew's Church

Cement works photos

Advertisements from 1975 Village Guide

Local photos.

Transcriptions of audio history by Mary Damordy Pat Whelehan Jimmy Eustace, Erne Forte, Cliff Heybourne, Lucy Lacey, Mable Howlett Jim Clarke.

942.57 History of Chinnor

Chinnor from time Immemorial

W.I Chinnor history

David Low Sir Issac Newton's Library

Chinnor Rev. D. Royle 1874

CHAS Occasional Papers

- 1. St. Nicholas Emmington churchyard Survey 942.579
- 2. St. Nicholas analysis or church registers
- 3. Emmington 1697 households wills and inventories hearth tax returns 1662-1665
- 4. Population of Emmington 1086-1914
- 5. Fields of Emmington
- 6. Seventeenth century trade tokens with partial reference to Chinnor

- 7. Oakley people
- 8. Victoria History of the County of Oxfordshire vol vIII 942.57
- 9. Vol I 1939 Early Man in Oxfordshire

Parish Records

The use of historical records is always going to throw up gaps and discrepancies depending on the reliability of the recorder. Records added to this archive vary between church records, records of civic organisations such as the Parish Council and voluntary organisations such as the Women's Institute. These provide an insight to the social and political context of the village. An analysis of the births and death records has been undertaken which offers a silent testimony to the evolving health of the village.

Chinnor Parish Council Minutes, (1923-1946), Oxford History Centre, Cowley, PAR63/12/F/1.

-Chinnor Parish Records (baptisms, marriages and burials), (1622-1978).

Transcribed by *Chinnor Archaeological and Historical Society*; the records covering Henton, Wainhill, Oakley and Spriggs Alley as well as Chinnor. CD format provided by the Oxford Family History Society. Iink

Chinnor Women's Institute Minutes, (1923-1945), 0200/A1/1-7. Cowley

Testimonials

Written and oral records illustrate the lived experience of Chinnor residents. Whilst 'recollections may differ' they are acknowledge by historians to be valid primary sources, and are regarded as being no more or less reliable than other sources and are held by professional historians as perfectly compatible with scholarly standards. Oral history gives a voice and recognition to those who may not otherwise be heard

Written testimony

Mary Darmody, 'Duck Square', *Chinnor Roundabout*, April, May, June and September (1985).

Mabel Howlett, Born May 1920. *Memories of St. Andrew's Church of England School Chinnor*. Undated.

Mabel Howlett, Jottings of Chinnor in Past Times, undated. Chinnor Library

Mabel Howlett, Cross Keys Practice Chinnor, undated. text

H. Lupton *Diary, 1830-1861,* Currently being transcribed, not archived yet, by kind permission of the Trustees of Thame History Museum. text

Jim Rose, *Recollections of a Farming Childhood*, Chinnor Historical and Archaeological Society occasional Paper No.8, December (1984), Chinnor Library and text

Jim Rose, Call Me Jim, (recollections of a farming life) undated, private collection.

Jim Rose, *Jim's Second Thoughts*, (further recollections of a farming life) undated, private collection.

Norah Neighbour, *How the Village Helped the Poor,* Chinnor Library and text 4 sheets

Brenda Wilson, 'History of Chinnor School', *Chinnor Chronicle*, December (1972) and text

'Some Childhood Memories of Chinnor' R. W. Hill text 8 sides

Oral testimony

Series of interviews conducted by Mary Darmody-Cadle and Pat Whelehan in 1988 transcriptions available Chinnor library *Histories and Memories of Chinnor*.

Jimmy Eustace b. 1906.

Mabel Howlett b. 1920

Cliff Heybourne b.1905

Connie Croxford no date, Oxford History Centre, OT 437.

Lucy Lacey b. 1896.

Medical

Previous generations relied on the countryman's wife to cope with sickness and accidents as best she could until help arrived, self help and home remedies prevailing. In terms of availability of medical and nursing care, Chinnor appears to have been well served; professional help being provided historically and traditionally by a wide range of practitioners including local clergy. Through the ages the provision of medical care in Chinnor was actually a mixture of lay intervention, midwives with varying degrees of competence, and general practitioners who, although provided a caring and personal service to the residents, still charged a fee to the uninsured. In addition, fees were needed for nursing and midwifery services, and it was cost which informed the level of service available.

The Social History of Medical Self-Help in 20th-Century England: A Microhistory of a Rural Community. Fiona Mantle

'Abstract of Administration of Benjamin Copeland of Chinnor, Oxfordshire. Proved in the Court of Oxford (1801). National Archives, Kew. Text see also Mantle thesis p 53-55

Discovery. national archives.gov.uk/details/r/D719588.

Richard Fellows, *Chinnor Chronicle (letters)*, 18^t November 1975 and 27 January, 1976, in relation to his home 'Ellwood House' Crowell, British History on Line, Crowell, History County of Oxford vol. 8, Lewknor and Pyrton hundreds, Victoria County (1964), 80-91. Text p.53-55 Mantle thesis

Triplets in Chinnor Bucks Herald 27 October 1906 text

These babies do not appear on either the baptism or burial records.

Watlington Cottage Hospital 1919-1945 entries for patients who gave their address as 'Chinnor'.

Oxfordshire Branch of the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, *First Annual Report January 1911,* Oxford History Centre, Cowley, P.A. 616.9.

Chinnor Women's Institute Minutes, (1923-1945), 0200/A1/1-7. Cowley

Medical Advisor to the Elementary Sub-Committee Medical Officers Reports, 1908-1921. Oxford History Centre, Cowley, CC1/12/A9/1.

Medical Officer of Health for Oxfordshire Annual Reports, (1908-1921), Oxford History Centre, Cowley, CC1/12/A9.

Inspectors Register of Midwives, Oxford history Centre, Cowley, H/2/4/R1/1 /2 /3, including a letter of complaint about a midwife and her subsequent reply. Papers lodged with the Register of Midwives, H2/4/R1/1.

Leverkus, Dorothy, Looking Back, (1964) (local GP 1928-1963) SZ stack 920/LCVE.

Medical Officer of Health Annual Report (1912), Oxford History Centre, CC1/12/A9/2.

Notification of Diseases Register Thame Rural District and Bullingdon Rural District (1901-1927), H2/2/R10/1, (1928-1943), H2/2/R1/2, (1943-1951), H2/2/R1//3.

Oxford Medicinal Plants Scheme. Centre for Oxford Studies, ORCC file 68.

Relevance for Chinnor Mantle thesis p dee also WI Minutes

Oxfordshire Nursing Federation, (1908-32), ONF iv ONF 111.

Mabel Howlett, Cross Keys Practice Chinnor, undated. text

H. Lupton *Diary, 1830-1861,* Currently being transcribed, not archived yet, by kind permission of the Trustees of Thame History Museum. text

Arthur Ashby, *Rural Education Report*, (Oxford, 1923). Health status of Oxfordshire's Children.

BMA's Physical Education Committee Report, (1936).

Chinnor National School Inspectors Reports, 1857-1960s Oxford History Centre, Cowley, S63/2.

HANSARD February (1947), written answers (commons) PUBLIC HEALTH Water Supply, Chinnor HC Dob 6 February (1947), vol 432 cc380-1W.

HANSARD 10 April (1946) vol 140 cc643-75.

HANSARD 10 April (1946) vol 140 cc643-75. Pasteurisation of milk.1-16.

HANSARD 6 February (1947) vol 432 cc380-IW. Water supply Chinnor.

Health and Safety Executive (Agriculture), report (November, 2016).

Tuberculosis map of Chinnor

Tuberculosis Notification Register, Thame Rural District (1928-1932) and Bullingdon Rural District (1932-1943), Oxford History Centre, Cowley, H/2/2R3/6.

Richard Fellows, *Chinnor Chronicle (letters)*, 18^t November 1975 and 27 January, 1976, in relation to his home 'Ellwood House' Crowell, British History on Line, Crowell, History County of Oxford vol. 8, Lewknor and Pyrton hundreds, Victoria County (1964), 80-91. text

Benjamin Copeland, Oxford Journal, 30 January, (1801).

Receipts regarding expenditures for evacuees including medical expenses. Bliss accounts (1939-1943), P3/1/F1/1.

IARC (1997) 'Silica, some silicates, coal dust and para-aramid fibrilis.' Lyon International Agency for Research on Cancer, p1-242 (IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans) vol. 68. See working life Chinnor Cement Works. Mantle

War

Absent voters list for Oxford and Henley parliamentary division October 1918 Oxford History Centre EL1/1918/4p.24.

Notes on 'What we did in the war' Dennis Sheward text

Chinnor, Parish Chinnor 1941-43 Farm Survey, MAF 32/911/217. Mantle thesis p149-151. Text

Register of Air Raid Warnings, Oxford History Centre, Cowley, CC3/4/C4/38

The Polish Hostels in Chinnor 1947-1999 text

County Controller, Air Raid Damage Reports, Ministry of Home Security, Oxford History Centre, Cowley, CC3/4/C4/37 & Air Raid Logbook CC3/4/A4/3.

Enemy Action Oxfordshire, (1940-1945), As depicted on a map based on operational messages to County Control. With the kind permission of the Trustees of Thame Museum.

The Chinnor War Memorial lists 31 men from Chinnor Parish who died in the Great War, www.iwm.org.ukmemorials/names/listing IWM (WMR-31356) and eight men who gave their lives in World War II. St Andrew's Church has a Book of Remembrance compiled by U3A History Group, Royal British Legion Chinnor 1914-18

Lest We Forget 1914-1918 1939-1945 Chinnor library 940.46742599

Correspondence between Oxford Family History Society regarding the war memorial in Chinnor. text

Government Evacuation Scheme, hand written notes by Mr. J. Graves detailing sizes and composition of groups, lack of a guarantee for the final destination of the school only that the children would be travelling in groups of 50 consisting of possibly a range of ages under the care of a teacher. J. Graves was the temporary official in the Education Department in Oxfordshire at the outbreak of war. The collection of his papers includes draft letters and articles. Oxford History Centre Cowley, P22/1/A/12. HM Passport Office, General Register Office: death certificates for Chinnor (1894-1958), primarily ages 0-40.

Register of Evacuees Oxford, RDC8/5/R3.

List of Evacuating Authorities, P22/1/A/12.

Effect on Chinnor. Mantle thesis p.152-157

Barnet House Evacuation Committee report, *London Children in War-time Oxford* (London, 1947), p.17-29.

HM Passport Office, General Register Office: death certificates for Chinnor (1894-1958), primarily ages 0-40. text

Copy of the London Gazette 12 August 1941 citing Mrs. Ethel Joan Leverkus 2nd. Sub. ATS 196615 text

Chinnor 'wings for Victory' text

'Salute the Soldier' war savings campaign.

Chinnor, Parish Chinnor 1941-43 Farm Survey, MAF 32/911/217.Kew

Chinnor Women's Institute Minutes, (1923-1945), 0200/A1/1-7. Cowley

Oxfordshire Henley Parliament Division Service Register Parish of Chinnor 15/3/1945. Oxford History Centre, Cowley.

Prince Rupert's Raid on Chinnor 1643

Letter from Earle of Essex to Speaker of the House of Commons 'Relating to the State of the late Skirmish at Chinnor, between a party of the King's and Parliaments Forces on Sabbath day 19th June 1643. text

Prince Rupert's beating up of the rebels and varters with his victory in his retreat at Chalgrove on Sunday morning June 18th 1643. text

The Raid on Chinnor and the Fight at Chalgrove Field, June 17th and 18th 1643.

John Stevenson and Andrew Carter.

Oxoniensia.org/volume 38/1973/Stevenson.pdf. 346-356. text

Two account of this raid are included in two novels: *To Right the Wrong*, Edna Lyall October 1893 p. 207 and *Fairleigh Hall* S. D. Crake 1887 p.101 both editions in Chinnor Library for reference.

God Keep them Still from Us John Bell the experience of Thame and South East Oxfordshire during the civil war 1642-1643. Text 24 pages.

Working life

Historically, due to its rich soil, Chinnor has been a thriving agricultural community supported by a range of business not only agricultural, the windmill, but shops, laundry and supporting services such as blacksmiths and carpenters, including the makeshift economy and poaching.

Jim Rose, *Recollections of a Farming Childhood,* Chinnor Historical and Archaeological Society occasional Paper No.8, December (1984), Chinnor Library.

text

Jim Rose, Call Me Jim, (recollections of a farming life) undated, private collection.

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HANSARD 10 April (1946) vol 140 cc643-75. Pasteurisation of milk.1-16.

HANSARD 6 February (1947)vol 432 cc380-IW. Water supply Chinnor.

Health and Safety Executive (Agriculture), report (November, 2016).

HSE 1015/2016 Report. Reporting of farm accidents.

Chinnor, Parish Chinnor 1941-43 Farm Survey, MAF 32/911/217. Limited text Mantle thesis 149-151.

Chinnor Orchard

Allotments

Mantle thesis 42-44

Allotment history text

History timeline text

1854 Enclosure Award and map

1833 poster regarding the Otmore Rioters who were against enclosure

Photograph Sydenham villages on their allotments around the turn of the century.

Chinnor Cement Works

Mantle thesis 117-121

Chinnor Works text

Mable Howlett text

IARC (1997) 'Silica, some silicates, coal dust and para-aramid fibrilis.' Lyon International Agency for Research on Cancer, p1-242 (IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans) vol. 68.

Education

Before formal education was established, many children learned to read and write at home but as late as 1921, George Witney witnessed his daughter's death certificate with an X. There were two primary schools in Chinnor. The British School founded by the British and Foreign School Society was opened in 1841 and stood in the centre of the village with a house for the master attached. but was closed in 1893 when it amalgamated with the National School. The Chinnor National School (later St. Andrew's C of E Primary School), under the auspices of Magdalen College Oxford, was opened in 1850ln 1903 the average attendance was 190 children who started school at age 3 and left at age 10. The children joined the school at any time of the year but after the *Elementary Education Act, 1870* the children stayed until they were 13 and then mostly went into farming, lace making or domestic service. There existed an ongoing conflict between the needs of an educated population and the need for children to contribute to the family economy from an early age. **Schools**

Chinnor British School diary and logbook (1864-1893), Chinnor Historical and Archaeological Society.

Chinnor National School diary and logbook 1896-1910. St. Andrew's Church Parochial Council Chinnor. Cowley

The Minutes of the Church Schools 1874-1903. Text. 20 pages

Arthur Ashby, Rural Education Report, (Oxford, 1923).

Barnet House Evacuation Committee report, *London Children in War-time Oxford* (London, 1947), p.17-29.

BMA's Physical Education Committee Report, (1936).

Chinnor National School Inspectors Reports, 1857-1960s Oxford History Centre, Cowley, S63/2.

Mabel Howlett, Born May 1920. *Memories of St. Andrew's Church of England School Chinnor*. Undated. Text

Relevant reports

Arthur Ashby, Rural Education Report, (Oxford, 1923).

BMA's Physical Education Committee Report, (1936).

1901 Census Vol. 3a p. 1348.

Chinnor National School Inspectors Reports, 1857-1960s Oxford History Centre, Cowley, S63/2.

Churches

Chinnor has benefitted from the spiritual care offered by a range of denominations, varying in size, over the years including: Quakers, Primitive Methodists, Congregationalist Anabaptists and between 1814-1840 five houses were licenced for dissenting worship. The Parish Church is said to be of Saxon origin and founded and has a long and interesting history. All the churches took care of the physical as well as the spiritual welfare of their congregations.

St. Andrew's Church Chinnor, Register of Services, Oxford History Centre, Cowley, PAR63/1/R7/1, 2.

Chinnor Rectory, David Low text

Chinnor Primitive Methodist Circuit baptisms 1858 1909 text

St. Andrew's Church Chinnor text.

Stained glass window east wall dedicated to the men of Chinnor parish who perished in the 1914-18 was and north wall plaque dedicated to the men of the second world war as well as two commemorating accidental deaths during training and to gunner George North killed in action wwl. text

Maps

Civil War in the Chiltern 1642-46 see also raid on Chinnor

Sketch taken from the enclosure award Chinnor and Oakley 1853 see allotments

1797 Davis map of Oxfordshire before enclosure see allotments

Chinnor 1877 after enclosure. Allotments all laid out, school and chapel build, windmill at Mill Lane. See allotments

Tithe award ap 1841 and enclosure map 1854 showing workhouse close and the pound.

Map reproductions:

Buckinghamshire 1610 and Oxfordshire 1610

Reprinted first edition, OS maps: Oxford and Reading, London and Windsor.

Enemy Action Oxfordshire, (1940-1945), As depicted on a map based on operational messages to County Control. With the kind permission of the Trustees of Thame Museum.

Tuberculosis map of Chinnor

Social

For previous generations, life on the land was hard with long hours at the mercy of cold and wet weather with its toll on physical health. However, residents enjoyed a number of traditions such as May Day revels whilst historically social activities centred around the many pubs in the village. Later, the Chinnor Reading Room was founded and just before the war the Chinnor Hall and hosted village organisations included the scouts, guides etc and in 1925 the Women's Institute was inaugurated in the village along with the Mothers Union. Sports clubs proliferated and evening classes became a feature.

Chinnor Village Hall

Mantle thesis p46-48

Collection of correspondence funding applications and plans for the Village Hall Oxford History Centre, Cowley, 041/1/C6/26.

Insurance documents including 1950s correspondence between the Hon. Treasurer

and Norwich Union. text

Original policy 25th November 1939. text

Reading Room

History of the Reading Room

Mantle thesis pages 44-46

Reading Room Archives Rules of the Reading Room and catalogue (1904). Kind permission of the Reading Room Committee. text

Correspondence re location of minute books for archival use.

Article written by the secretary to the Trustees circa 1950 listing rules and activities of the Reading Room in his archival collection. Text

Chinnor Women's Institute Minutes, (1923-1945), 0200/A1/1-7. Cowley

Chinnor in the news

'To the Charitable and Humane: a case of real distress is humbly submitted' *Oxford Journal*, 30 January, 1801. Text Mantle thesis

Thame Gazette, 3 April, 1895, Reading Mercury, 6 April, 1895, 'Death of Ernest Cooper'. text

Thame Gazette, 29 October, 1895, 'Fatal accident 7year old boy'. text

South Bucks Standard, 3 October, 1902, conviction for trespass.

Bucks Herald, October 28, 1911, conviction for stealing faggots

South Bucks Standard, 24 December, 1912, conviction for trespass.

South Bucks Standard, 24 December, 1912.

Bucks Herald, 22 August, 1903, Henry Turner of Bledlow was summoned for not having reins to his horse and cart.

Bucks Herald, 18 November, 1905, 'Refusal of vaccination.'

Faringdon Advertiser and Vale of White Horse, 26 May, 1906, 'Mrs. Ellen Hayward was charged with pretending to witch,'

Bucks Herald, 6 October, 1906, 'Birth of triplets in Chinnor'.

Thame Gazette, 17 December, 1907, Thame Gazette, 24 December, 1907. Death of Amy Witney.

Henley and South Oxford Standard, 13 November, 1908, Ernest Gomm of Chinnor was summoned for driving two horses and wagon without reins and was fined.

Thame Gazette, 4 January, 1910, Personal advertisement, Miss Webster, maternity nurse, Park Street Thame, certified CLLH.

Bucks Herald, 28 October, 1911.

South Bucks Standard, 24 December, 1912.

Thame Gazette, 14 December, 1920.

Thame Gazette, 21 December, 1920, 7 December, 1920.

Hull Daily Mail, 2 March, 1945, 'Turned Out',

Liverpool Daily Post, 19 August, 1940, 'Order to Seize Farm- Ploughing Not Carried Out'.

The Banbury Guardian, June, 1946 'Oxfordshire Farmers War Effort'.

Bucks Herald, 28 October, 1941 'Farm seizure' requisitioned by the Air Ministry.

West London Observer, April 1939, 'Evacuation'.

Thame Gazette, Doctors joining the NHS, 6 and 16 March, 1948.

Thame Gazette, June, 22 July 1948, Victoria Hospital Thames incorporation into the NHS.

A Village Reading Room Sixty Years Ago. Photocopy of an unidentifiable newspaper article circa 1950, initials J.D.A., secretary to the Trustees of the Chinnor Reading Room. text

The Oxford Times, 22 September, 1967 'Chinnor's Past Comes to Life at Exhibition'. text

Chinnor Chronicle, 11 October, 1971, 'A Trip Round the Cement Works' (anon) text.

Chinnor Chronicle, December, 1972, Brenda, Wilson, 'History of Chinnor School.' text

Chinnor Chronicle, (letters), 18 November, 1975 and 27 January 1976, in relation to Professor Richard Fellows his home 'Ellwood House' Crowell. text

Chinnor Chronicle, January, 1976, Mary Howlett, 'Chinnor 50 Years Ago'. text

Illegal Chinnor

Watlington Petty Sessional Division, 30th. December, 1851, 1880-1970 Oxford History Centre, Cowley, QS 1852/1/L2/76 58.

Between 1834-1852 there were 17 convictions for trespass for game. For example, in Chinnor, 1834 Richard Seymour was convicted of trespass for game, Oxford History Centre QS 1834/3/L1/21. Other items of theft included fruit and vegetables, in 1840, John King was convicted of stealing apples, pears and walnuts, QS 1840/4/L3/27 1839, and in 1839 William Seymour was convicted of stealing swedes and turnips, QS 1839/2/L1/22 and again in 1844 for stealing barley. Many of the above were repeat offenders. In 1902, Chinnor residents, Bert and William Hopkins were convicted for trespassing for game on John North's land and Mrs. Evans was convicted of stealing four wood faggots in 1911, and Sidney Hewitt for trespass in December 1912. South Bucks Standard, 3 October, 1902, Bucks Herald, October 28 1911. South Bucks Standard, 24 December, 1912. See Osborne, 'Unwomanly practices', 149-168.

Earnest Gomm of Chinnor was summoned for driving two horses and waggon without reins and was fined. *Henley and South Oxford Standard*, 13 November, (1908). In 1903 Henry Turner of Bledlow was summoned for not having reins to his horse and cart. There was no one leading the defendant's horse but another horse and cart was tied behind him and another man was in it who was in charge of both horses and carts. Although this had been the custom for many years one man being in charge of two carts was illegal. *Bucks Herald*, 22 August, (1903)

Certificate of Conviction of John Theophilus Heeley, surgeon, Chinnor. Oxford History Centre, Cowley, QS 11857/1/L1/79.