

STREET GUIDE

- the dates of our local roads and the significance of their names: (an update of Hodsdon's Gazetteer of Cheltenham)

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Picture: roadsign near Tesco. (7th August 2004. Incidentally, there is no such place as Alstone Industrial Estate).

STREETS AHEAD: INTRODUCTION

The essential guide for the urban landscape historian is James Hodsdon's "*An Historical Gazetteer of Cheltenham*" compiled in 1996. The following list of corrections and additions complements and updates his work. (Closer study of the Old Town Survey in particular would yield more names, plus there are others in directories. More are in Hodsdon's recent study of the *Cheltenham Manor Court Book*).

Because of my own interest in the areas of Hester's Way and Alstone, I have covered these two areas more thoroughly, and listed those areas as two sections separate from the rest of Cheltenham. They do nevertheless seem to be the two areas of Cheltenham where the most new development has taken place.

Within each of the three geographical sections I have made two lists of entries. The first is information on locations which Hodsdon ought to have included. The second group is a short list of smaller courtyard developments. There is no absolute definition to distinguish a highway from a courtyard, nor a courtyard from a large building. So, inevitably there is a group of addresses that are only runners-up as to whether they should have qualified for an entry in the Gazetteer. Hodsdon included a few, as pleased him, but my choices are just a short-list of the best of the rest. I have generally not included blocks of flats built between 1900 and 1996: a full list would be enormous.

Many entries are new; whereas, I have used an * to indicate that Hodsdon already has an entry which I consider wrong or incomplete. Some of these entries I have included solely in order to give a date of construction because Hodsdon has given a vague date or none at all. (My usual definition of "date of construction" of new streets is the date at which house numbers appeared on doors, or at which "For Sale" signs appeared outside, but allow a leeway of a year either way from this).

Hodsdon is fairly inconsistent in his use of bold type for existing addresses and italics for defunct addresses, so I have not attempted to correct such things or to distinguish between them myself. All these developments still exist unless specifically stated otherwise.

Most references to other authors are self-evident. Otherwise, see my Bibliography in the introductory pages of my "Geographical History of Hester's Way."

Use of italics in my entries signifies details I'm still researching, or, brand new developments whose names may not yet have been finalised (although the current Council is often happy to leave developers' suggestions unchanged).

H.1 HESTER'S WAY & ARLE AREA

* **Aeroplane Field**. The name derives from the early 1930s, when the Pates' Grammar School annual fete included aeroplane trips. The location would now be in the vicinity of Coronation Square. Trips or lessons were also advertised from Benhall Farm in the 1920s, probably from the same field. See also Brooks *The Story of Cheltenham* pp.154-5.

* **Alder Court**. Date 1979. Choice of name might possibly reflect the meaning or derivation of 'Arle.'

Anapa Mews. 2004 name for part of the Sochi Court site redevelopment. Presumably Anapa is a place in the same part of the world as Sochi.

Appleyard Close, off Hayden Road, Uckington. Built in 2009, on site of Barbridge Nurseries (off Tewkesbury Road, which was closed and demolished in 2007).

* **Arle**. Barbara Rawes's reference to the date 680 is to a general context I believe, and not substantiated as the first use of the place-name. Around 750 would be the earliest proper documentation of the name.

* **Arle Cottages**: also known as **Arle End Cottages**. The first two are of about 1810. The other six may be in the 1891 census; certainly the row of eight was complete by 1901. ('Arle Cottages' is also used more vaguely in the 1901 census to refer to various properties along the length of Village Road).

* **Arle Court**. Note that part of the original Arle Court still stands as a listed building at no.23 Kingsmead Road, known as 'Arle Court House.'

Arle Court Bothys. Three residences with this address are in the 1891 census. Bothys were apparently lodgings above stables, which in this case would be the stables still standing at Arle Court (Hatherley Lane), as listed buildings.

Arle Cross. This name is recorded in the Manor Court Book in 1693. A significant location according to Coates's 1776 map. It is now the junction of Kingsmead Road and Village Road. It is not

apparent that this was ever a crossroads, so it was rather perhaps once the location of a wayside cross.

Arle End. A term used in the 1851 census for what is now called Tanner's Lane. A will of 1851 also uses the term **Arle End Road** here - see *History of Hester's Way Vol.3* p.33. (Not to be confused with the single house called Arle End, which stood at the other end of Village Road near Arle Cottages, see above).

* **Arle Farm**. The farmhouse itself was possibly a very ancient (Saxon?) dwelling site, redeveloped around 1810. Demolished in 1986, its site is now within Douglas Tugmasters' car park. The area of housing further west now known as **Arle Farm Estate** has many of its road names based on the field names of Swindon Village, as recorded on that parish's 1841 tithe map. See below Wheatland Drive, etc.

Arle Home Farm Estate: a name sometimes used for the streets off George Readings Way. The land formerly belonged to the Home Farm of the Arle estate, i.e. 'Arle Farm' above.

Arle Lane. Name occurs once in the 1831 Inclosure Act text to refer to what we call Village Road, or its southern end.

* **Arle Mill**. Presumed to be of Saxon origin, but the first documentation seems to be in 1220. Converted into three cottages numbered 1-3 by 1922. Demolished c.1967-75, its site is now a mound behind The Big Yellow Storage Co. in Princess Elizabeth Way.

Arle Village. This form of address is used for most of the properties in Village Road in the 1881 census, including some (at the south end of the road) numbered as 6-17 Arle Village. The form **Arle Village Road**, which is sometimes heard, I have only found used officially in 1927, (see the Borough Council's list of adopted streets), and on one Council map of 1956.

Ashlands Close, off Ashlands Road. Street omitted by Hodsdon. Date is c.1986, see the plaque on one of the houses.

Attwood Close, off Hayden Road, Uckington. Built about 1992. On the site of a smallholding called Uckington Gardens, built c.1912 and acquired by Bill Attwood in 1948.

* **Badgeworth Road**. A short section of this was once known as Pogemead Lane - see below. In 1825 this was incorporated into a new turnpike road leading from Gloucester Road via Badgeworth to the Painswick Turnpike Road. The surveyor and builder was Charles Baker (as was also the case in 1825 for Lansdown Road). See *GSIA Journal 1989* p.5 (article by J.V. Garrett). The present road-name presumably dates, at least unofficially, from 1825.

Bank Cottages (iv), Village Road. Two cottages, so named in the 1901 census, but their existence is implicit by 1871. Demolished 1951, their site is now approximately 59 & 61 Village Road which still sit on a slight bank above the level of the highway, hence the name.

Banyard Close, near Coronation Square. Developed over 2002 & 2003. Named after local councillor Dave Banyard.

* **Barley Close**. This road name is also an old field name: see Arle Farm entry above. (In field names 'Close' signifies an enclosure, in road names it signifies a cul-de-sac). Date of road is 1987.

* **Bedlam Farm**. Note that this building still exists off Hayden Road as a half-timbered house. Latterly called 'The Homestead', now two dwellings addressed as 8 & 10 Newland View.

* **Beverley Croft**. Presumably named after the Yorkshire racecourse; compare Redcar Close below.

* **Blake Croft**. Built 1980. Road name here apparently continues the poetic theme of the St. Mark's area, probably commemorating William Blake (1757-1827), artist and poet. Or possibly Nicholas Blake, novelist of Charlton Kings in the 1930s (see Brooks *The Story of Cheltenham* *check* p.186).

Braeburn Close, off Newton Road. Built 2003 on site of Health Centre (demolished in 2002). Named after the apple variety, like other local roads.

* **Bridgend Road**, off Reddings Road. Bridgend Farm is marked and named on the 1884 map, and its name presumably derives from its position near the Hatherley Road railway bridge. *Could check whether resident J.J. David, here in 1900 (directory), might be here earlier too, e.g. 1881 census?*

* **Britten House**, off Brooklyn Road, built c.1961, was demolished in 2000. The name refers to composer Benjamin Britten. Built in 2001 on the site was **Britten Place**.

* **Brooklands Estate**. The estate is only partly in the grounds of the house called The Brooklands. That house existed by 1861, (when it appeared in the census under the name Broadlands).

* **Brooklyn Road**. This road is named after the market garden Brooklyn Gardens, which had been established by the time of the 1891 census, near what is now its northern end. (See Brooklyn Court in H.2 below).

Brosnan Drive, off Telstar Road. Built 2002, completed 2003. Named after actor Pierce Brosnan: see 'Charlecote Manor' below.

Brown's Cottages (i), Village Road. A pair apparent on the 1831 Inclosure act map, and demolished in 1951. The site is now 23 & 25 Village Road. Presumably named after the farming family of Brown at Arle Court Farm nearby, who must have owned them in their more recent years.

Brown's Cottages (ii), Kingsmead Road. See Post Office Terrace, below.

* **Bushy Way**. Date 1986 through 1987. Road's name was probably inspired by a field-name 'Bushy Close': see Arle Farm entry above.

Caine Square, off Telstar Road, built 2002. Named after actor Michael Caine: see 'Charlecote Manor' below.

* **Canada House**. Demolished 2001.

* **Canberra House**, in Pitman Road. Correction to Hodsdon, who lists it as Canberra Road which does not exist.

* **Carlyle Grove**. Built 1980-1. Apparently named on poets theme, commemorating Thomas Carlyle (1795-1881), much-quoted essayist and historian from Ecclefechan, Dumfriesshire.

* **Carrol Grove**. Built 1979-80, with naming on poets theme:- despite the spelling, this presumably commemorates Lewis Carroll (1832-1898) who visited Charlton Kings in 1863.

* **Carter Road**: date about 1978.

Cassin Drive. Built 2002 (commercial properties) and 2003 (houses). Named after two councillors, husband and wife I believe.

Charlecote Manor. Name given by the developers to their estate off Telstar Road. The road names here were chosen with a slightly spurious connection to GCHQ's espionage activities, being named after the actors who had played James Bond (including spoofs).

Coburn Gardens. First house built 2002, remainder developed over 2003/04. Named after actor James Coburn: see 'Charlecote Manor' above.

Coppice Gate, off Hayden Road, Uckington. Built about 1989.

* **Corn Meadow Drive**. Date 1984. Street name is not arbitrary, it would derive from the field name 'Corn Mead': see Arle Farm entry above.

* **Cross Hands Inn**. First use of name found so far is 1809. There was certainly a coaching inn here in 1806 (Ruff).

Drinkwater's Lane. Referred to in the *MCB* (para.2201) in 1751 in Arle. Appears to have been in the Fiddlers Green vicinity. Named after a local family: a William Drinkwater lived at Fiddlers Green in 1694/5 (para.86.4).

Dulverton Close, Springbank. Built 2004. Choice of road name continues the local theme of village names of west Somerset.

* **Dunbar Close**. Hodsdon's entries are a little muddled. Dunbar is in Lothian, Scotland. The Dunster in Somerset he refers to is the origin of a different road name, Dunster Close.

Dunelm Close, off Village Road. Built 2005 on the site of 'Dunelm,' a chalet-like house of the 1920s, demolished in 2003.

Elm Farm Estate. Official name of the central development in Fiddlers Green, as is recorded on an inscription at the junction of Springbank Road and Fiddlers Green Lane. The 'opening' date is given as 1977, i.e. the first occupation of the red-brick courts. The earlier house called 'Elm Farm' stood about where 70/72 Fiddlers Green Lane stand now.

* **Farm Close**. Roughly on the site of Hester's Way farmhouse, hence the name.

* **Fiddlers Green**. So named in *MCB* (para.1527) in 1729. Earlier reference to 'Fidlers Green lake' in 1695 (para.103.4). Early references tend to be just 'Fidlers.'

* **Fiddlers Green Lane**. Named 'the Fidlers Green Road' in the 1834 Inclosure Act text. Called Fiddler's Lane in the 1871 census *check*.

* **Finnegan's Road**, Uckington. An access road built in c.1993; now addressed as part of Hayden Road.

Fowlers Cottages. The preamble describing the Enumeration District in the 1851 census says that the route finishes with Grove Cottages, Fidlers Green, Harthurstfield Farm and Fowlers Cottages. However, neither Grove nor Fowlers Cottages occur as actual census addresses, so were presumably colloquial or defunct terms for certain areas on the north side of Gloucester Road. Grove Cottages would refer to buildings near Arle Court, around or including Grovesfield Villa. Fowlers Cottages would be a little further west. Their name would be connected with James Fowler, who was gentleman farmer at Harthurstfield House, as indicated in the 1844 directory, or who was previously in 1831 recorded as the owner of a cottage (perhaps once a pair) towards Golden Valley, on the site now 'Hill View', Gloucester Road.

* **Frank Brookes Road**: date 1977/78. The first and only road on this estate marked on the 1978 O.S. map, where it is erroneously called 'Brookes Road.'

Galileo Gardens. Built 2002, the first part of the 'Charlecote Manor' development. Named on a space theme or perhaps more specifically – along with Telstar and Hubble – on a satellite theme.

Gara Close. A road omitted by Hodsdon. Part of the Glynbridge Gardens development in Swindon parish, although it faces onto Village Road, Arle. It seems slightly later than the rest of the estate, i.e. after 1974. Maybe named after 'The Gara,' a nearby house (no.141 Village Road).

Gatcomb Road: anticipated name of a development on Springbank Road in 2004. It seems to refer to the short service-road whose houses were, in the event, numbered as part of Springbank Road (nos.50a-50h).

Gemini Close, off Telstar Road. Built 2008 through 2009; probably named on a satellite theme.

* **George Readings Way**; date 1978. (No date in Hodsdon).

* **Glynbridge Gardens**; date 1974.

* **Golden Valley Road**: as a road name, it appears on the 1884 O.S. map, referring to the minor route through Harthurstfield, which in current terminology starts as part of Fiddlers Green Lane and then continues as Pheasant Lane. It is recorded apparently in an 1823 parish perambulation as Golden Valley Lane. 'Golden Valley' is also used in the 1851 census as an address for four dwellings within Cheltenham parish, apparently along this stretch of highway.

Goldsmith Close. Built 2003 off Goldsmith Road, (on former site of Westfields Youth Centre).

Grace Gardens, off Hatherley Lane. Built 2000 in part of Dowty's sports ground. (Possibly named after Mrs. Grace Dowty?)

* **Graveney Court**. Named presumably after Tom Graveney, cricketer for Gloucestershire and England. The first road sign was mis-spelled Gravney, hence Hodsdon's entry. Compare Graveney Road in Northleach, etc. Inhabited from 1996.

* **Grist Mill Close**. Built 1984; named probably after the grist mill in Swindon Village – see note on 'Arle Farm' above.

Grove Cottages. See Fowlers Cottages above. There are frequent references to a single Grove Cottage, of uncertain location near Grovefield Villa on Gloucester Road.

* **Grovefield Road**. This name was used in directories e.g. 1902-1915 for Hatherley Lane. Cf. Redgrove Lane, below.

Guinevere Road, off Tennyson Road, St. Mark's. Built 2013. Name from one of Tennyson's poems presumably.

Hamlet Close. Built 1998. Named from Shakespeare's play; built on former site of Shakespeare Road flats.

* **Harthurstfield Farm**. This building still stands, now called 'Harthurstfield House,' which by appearance perhaps dates from 1800-20. (An older demolished farmhouse nearby was usually just called "Harthurstfield").

* **Harthurstfield Park**. No date is given by Hodsdon. A small caravan park was here by 1939. The full current park existed by the early 1970s.

* **Hatherley Brook**. Named as 'Harthurst Str'[eam] on an early map of 1837. (See *CLHS Journal* 5 map no.7).

Hayden Hill. A hamlet along Old Gloucester Road just outside Cheltenham. It is also used as a street address in 1939-45 Cheltenham electoral registers for the two dwellings which are within the Borough.

* **Hazlitt Croft**. Built 1979. Road names in this development appear to continue the poetic theme of St. Mark's. If so, this name commemorates William Hazlitt (1834-1913), a fiery political essayist of his time.

* **Hester's Way**. *MCB* has earlier forms of the spelling: Heisters Way in 1708 and Haysters Way in 1721. I believe the name derives ultimately from Ash-tree's Way, though Hodsdon prefers an interpretation of Haymaker's Way. Hodsdon's *Gazetteer* says this highway's name appears on a map of 1787, but it is **not** a map of this area: Hodsdon's latest publication, *CLHS Journal* 26 (2010) p.6 notes the occurrence of the name in the Charlton Park area of Cheltenham [see below H.5].

* **Hester's Way Lane**. Whilst most of the housing here and the use of this street-name dates from 1965, the highway itself is much older, from about 1869: (see Hodsdon's entry for Hester's Way). Some houses which were built in 1927 and earlier are still standing here.

* **Home Close**. The street-name probably reflects its location on the Home Field – the usual name given by a farmer to the plot closest to, or most convenient to, the farmhouse, in this case Hester's Way farmhouse. Compare Farm close, above.

* **Homecroft Drive**, Uckington. Hodsdon's date is too late. Older houses can be found at the far end of the road, where a plaque on no.2 gives a brief history of the Cheltenham Homecroft Association 1926-1956. They completed six houses in 1927 (see Osmond p.58). See the plaque for an explanation of the word "homecroft."

Hubble Road. New access off Telstar Road to GCHQ built 2001 but probably named 2002. Extended through to Princess Elizabeth Way in 2005. Named on a space theme, either after the astronomer or

more likely after the satellite.

Itchland Lane. Appears in the Manor Court Book in 1692: "Itchland Lane leading from Arle to Alstone field." Obviously it ran through or beside the area known as Itchland or Hitchlands (AAI 96,100,150) which implies that it equates to Tanners Lane and Orchard Way.

Jocker's Lane or Jocker Brown's Lane. Informal name amongst residents of Arle before 1952 for a footpath. Probably the one that connected Arle Road to Orchard Way, (approximating to the line now taken by Pennsylvania Avenue). Or possibly the lane passing Arle Mill. Named after the local farmer.

* **Kempton Grove.** Like nearby Beverley Croft the road appears to be named after a racecourse, this one being in the London suburbs – compare Sandown Close below.

Kingfisher Drive, off Blaisdon Way. Commenced 2003. Completed 2004 along with **Kingfisher Court.** The first of a group of road-names on a water-bird theme.

Kingsbridge Mews, Springbank. Built 2005. The road's name was possibly inspired by that of the developer (Kings Oak), but is properly named after the village in west Somerset (I think, rather than the south Devon town, by comparison with nearby Dulverton Close) – see also Dunster, Triscombe, etc.

* **Kingsmead Road** and **Kingsmead Avenue.** Kingsmead Road is a recent road name, but applies to an ancient highway; (no.23 is of Tudor foundation). Marked as Church Lane on the 1776 map. Although it was redeveloped in 1952, it did not acquire its current name until about 1967: before then the houses had 'Arle Road' addresses. Hodsdon notes that the term 'Kingsmead Road' was put forward for use in 1952, but this must have been altered at the last moment to become 'Kingsmead Avenue,' applying to the different street nearby, also of 1952.

* **Laburnum Court:** date 1979.

Lazenby Court. A street built in 2002 and named after actor George Lazenby – see 'Charlecote Manor' entry above.

Lloyd Close, near Coronation Square. Built 2002 through 2003.

Named after a local councillor.

* **Magnolia Court.** Date 1977. See also 'Redcar Close' below.

Mallard Close, off Kingfisher Drive. Built 2004. Named on water-bird theme.

* **Millfield.** See Mill Way (in following section H.2).

* **Milne Walk;** source of name is Field-Marshal Lord Milne, who was probably a freeman of the Borough, continuing the local theme of road naming.

Montreal Drive, off Bramley Road. Built 2002 through 2003, on site of 'Montreal House' flats which were demolished in 2001.

* **Mulberry Court.** Date 1977. See also 'Sandown Close' below.

Newdawn Place, off Village Road. Development in grounds of The White House (Arle Villa) in 2015. Named after the local housing developer New Dawn Homes, and completed by them just after Newdawn Close, Bishop's Cleeve (2014).

New Lane, Arle. Frequently mentioned in ancient documents about Arle, also referred to in 1794 as **New-mead Lane.** It was in Barbridge Field, and its line now seems to correspond roughly with the eastern edge of Springfield Park.

Newland View, off Hayden Road, Uckington. Built 2005 by Newland Homes.

Niven Courtyard, off Telstar Road. A street built in 2003 and named after actor David Niven – see 'Charlecote Manor' entry above.

* **Nunney Close.** Nunney is a local surname. They owned the farmhouse called 'Harthurstfield' (beside Hatherley Brook) and probably still own 'Harthurstfield Bungalow' in the grounds thereof.

* **Old Gloucester Road.** Name colloquially used for the road from the Cross Hands to Staverton. The section as far as Pilgrove Bridge had recently been officially signposted as 'Hayden Road;' however, when housing was developed in 2005, the section within Cheltenham parish (i.e. between Bar Bridge and Pilgrove Bridge) was addressed as 'Old Gloucester Road.'

The Old School House, Village Road. Four dwellings in two pairs had this address. The school from which they were adapted before

World War I had been built c.1860. The houses were demolished in 1951 and 1955. (The nearest dwelling to the site now is no.64 Village Road).

* **Oldbury Close**. Nos.1 & 3 were previously addressed nos.1 & 3 Beale Walk. The road was renamed with further houses built (5, 7 & 9) in about 1988-90.

Othello Close. Off Shakespeare Road. Built 1998. For the name, compare Hamlet Close above.

* **Palmers Lane**. References to this in the *MCB*, in 1739 as Hodsdon notes, also in 1722 (para.1129) where the connection with a Mr Drinkwater hints that it was somewhere in the Fiddlers Green vicinity: see Drinkwater's Lane above.

* **Patterdale Close**: date 1974.

Pennington Court, street off Lipson Road. Built in 2000 in a corner of the school playing-field. The street-name is presumed to commemorate councillor Andrew Pennington, the victim of a fatal attack earlier that year. But may in fact be named after councillor James Pennington, who had been mayor of Cheltenham (1991/92).

Pennsylvania Mews. Built 2002 off Pennsylvania Avenue.

Persimmon Gardens, near Pilgrove Way, Springfield estate. Built in 2007 by Persimmon Homes (on former allotments site).

* **Peter Pennell Close**. Dated 1990 and named after a former mayor (as is recorded on a plaque on the first house in the street).

* **Pheasant Lane**. So named c.1989 specifically because it leads to Pheasant Cottage, in Staverton parish (a building reputed to be the original Pheasant Inn).

Pinewood Drive, off Hubble Road. Built 2006 through 2007. Name is probably from a film-studios theme, following from the earlier film-star theme (c.f. Niven Courtyard etc.) and also inspired by nearby Cheltenham Film Studios (at Arle Court). Also **Pinewood Walk**, built 2006.

Pintail Close, near Kingfisher Drive, Springfield estate. Built 2007 and named on a water-bird theme.

Pogemead Lane, Harthurstfield. Marked on the 1759 plan of Hartisfield Farm. The western half, running towards 'Bamverland'

at the edge of the Borough, still exists as part of Badgeworth Road, see above, The eastern half remained as a footpath towards Hatherley Lane, until it was blocked by the Golden Valley Bypass.

Post Office Terrace. Two cottages, so named in the 1881 census. Of the early 19th century or possibly even older. One was Arle's Post Office in the 1890s. Briefly, e.g. in Kelly's 1936 directory, they were known as **Brown's Cottages**, for the same reason as Brown's Cottages in Village Road, above. Latterly addressed as nos.280 & 282 Arle Road, the location is now in Kingsmead Road. They were demolished in 1963 (according to Phyllis White).

Providence Park, off Princess Elizabeth Way. Built 2005. The Council adopted the developers' name which appears to have no significance. On the former site of 'Parkside' Adult Education centre.

Quebec Drive, off Orchard Avenue. Built 2003 on the site of Quebec House flats, demolished 2002. (There is a plaque and nameplate here, unveiled on the completion of this estate).

Redcar Close. A road name provisionally assigned (presumably by the Council) but not actually used. Now named in two halves as Sycamore Court and Magnolia Court. Redcar presumably from the Yorkshire racecourse – compare Kempton, Beverley, and see Sandown below.

Redgrove Lane. Name used in the 1831 Inclosure Act text to refer to Hatherley Lane, or its western end. Cf. Grovefield Road above.

* **Redgrove Manor**. It was centred on 'Redgrove Wood' in Harthurst. No doubt Redgrove is an ancient name, but I have not actually found it in writing before 1508. See my studies published in *The History of Hester's Way Volume 5* pp.47-61 and inside back cover.

* **Redwood Court**. Date 1977. Name possibly inspired by Redcar – see above. See also Sandown Close below.

* **River Leys**, off Hayden Road, Swindon Village. Date 1985 through 1986. (Named 'Millfield Green' by the developers, with which compare Hodsdon's entry 'Millfield' and also Mill Way on Tewkesbury Road in the section below H.2).

* **Riverview Way**. Hodsdon gives no date: 1974.

Rosebay Gardens, off Kingfisher Drive. Built 2004 through 2008.

* **Rye Avenue**. Built 1987. Road name is probably connected with the field name 'Rye Meadow' (in accordance with the theme for 'Arle Farm' – see above).

St. Aidan's Close, near Coronation Square. Built about 1995 on land behind St. Aidan's Church. Added to in 2006.

* **Sandbridge**. As presented in the format of the 1844 directory, it is a surname, not a location. (Therefore should be omitted from Hodsdon's directory).

Sandown Close. A road name at the Elm Farm Estate which was provisionally assigned but unused: compare Redcar Close above. What would have been Sandown Close is now named in two halves as Redwood Court and Mulberry Court. Like Kempton (as in nearby Kempton Grove), Sandown is a racecourse in the London suburbs.

Sandpiper Drive, Uckington. Three houses built in 2007 as showhomes for the Appleyard Close development. Street was so named in 2009 when the houses were finally sold off. Although it is in a different parish, the name appears to continue the nearby theme of water-birds begun at nearby Kingfisher Drive.

Seabright Close, off Pilgrove Way, built 1995. Probably named after a local councillor, (rather than the Cheltenham Victorian builder William Seabright).

* **Shepherds Close**. The road name probably derives from the field name 'Shepherds Close' recorded in Swindon parish – see the 'Arle Farm' entry and also compare Barley Close above.

Siskin Drive, near Kingfisher Drive, Springfield estate. Built 2007 and named on a water-bird theme.

* **Sochi Court**. Date 1965, the last of the major Council developments in the main Hester's Way Estate. Demolished in 2003, **Sochi Mews** has now been built in 2004 on part of the site.

Sotherby Drive, off Hubble Road; built 2007 through 2008. Name perhaps adapted from the developers' name for the estate, 'South Court.' Also **Sotherby Walk** built 2007.

Springbank Way Shopping Centre. Built in Springbank about

1986/87.

* **Sullivan House**. Flats built about 1961, demolished in 2000.

* **Sycamore Court**, built 1977. See also Redcar Close above.

Tanners Cottages, Village Road. Three cottages apparently of c.1882. Named after the adjacent 'Tanners Lane' – see Hodsdon.

* **Tanners Lane**. Named Tanhouse Lane also in *MCB* (para.3360) in 1794.

Telstar Road. Built 2001/02, but not opened to through traffic until 2003. Named I believe in 2002 on a 'space' theme or satellite theme, like Hubble Road above.

Townsend Lane. A reference to this path, the location of which is now in the vicinity of Edward Wilson House, Princess Elizabeth Way, is in an 1851 will - see *History of Hester's Way Vol.3* p.33.

Triscombe Way, off Springbank Road, developed 2004 through 2005. Road name apparently follows theme of nearby Dunster Close in also corresponding to a village in west Somerset.

Wade Court, off Hatherley Lane; street built in 2000.

* **Wheatland Drive**; date 1984. Compare 'Arle Farm' entry above: regarding field names, those recorded in the 1841 Swindon Tithe award are 'Great Wheat Land' and 'Little Wheat Land.'

Willow Road, Benhall. Unofficial name used by GCHQ for its access lane from Princess Elizabeth Way, obliterated when the layout was changed in 2000. Approximately where Sotherby Walk is now.

Wilson Drive, off Marsland Road, built 2007.

Yalta Close. 2004 name for part of the Sochi Court redevelopment. Yalta is like Sochi a place on the Black Sea coast.

* **Yeend Close**, off Hayden Road, Swindon Village. It was not developed for housing and named until about 1985, but the highway itself is ancient. It was probably previously known locally as 'Mill Way' – (see the entry for this name below H.2). The house called 'Millfield' which Hodsdon mentions, built in about 1905, is currently divided into flats and renamed 'Millway House.' (The mill being referred to is nearby Bedlam Mill).

Yew Tree Cottages, Tanners Lane. Pair appearing in directories of

the early 20th century, but apparent on 1884 O.S. map. Demolished to make way for Princess Elizabeth Way after 1950.

H.2 SMALLER DEVELOPMENTS IN HESTER'S WAY & ARLE

Annecy Court, Princess Elizabeth Way. Built 2006 on the site of Valley Service Station (which was here from the late 1950s until 2004). Annecy is a twin-town of Cheltenham, (compare 'Annecy House' in section H.6 below).

Arle House, Village Road. A grand building of 1806, converted into five flats after 1945. Demolished in 1960 and replaced in 1961 by an old people's home of the same name. Remodelled and renamed in 2015 as **Wentworth Court** care home.

Aston Court, Sotherby Drive, flats built 2007.

Bayliss House, Welch Road, flats built by 1956. Despite the spelling, presumably named after the Cheltenham family of Baylis.

Bentley Court, Sotherby Drive, flats built 2008.

Berkeley House, Princess Elizabeth Way. Built about 1956. Like the five other houses in this group, these blocks of flats are named after British castles.

Brooklyn Court, Brooklyn Gardens. Eight dwellings built around 1970 on the site of a former market gardener's dwelling, lately called 'Brooklyn House.'

Carver Court, Sotherby Drive, flats built 2007.

Chepstow House, Princess Elizabeth Way: as Berkeley House above.

Corinne Court, Sotherby Walk, flats built 2007.

Dunlin Terrace, Pilgrove Way, Springbank, built 2008.

Emily Gardens. In 2004, name of an extension to Braeburn Close.

Field Court, Pilgrove Way. Three houses built 2007.

Field Place Caravan Site, Badgeworth Road. A site created in 1950/51, and recorded by this name in the 1954 electoral register. There were around 20 caravans at most. Since 1969, the site is now under the Golden Valley Bypass.

Glevum Court, Marsland Road, built about 1989.

Hamilton Court, Hester's Way Road. A terrace of seven houses, converted in 1988 out of the former MEB depot, which had been built in 1965.

Havana Walk, off Hubble Road. Named 2006, built 2007.

Hobart House, Princess Elizabeth Way. Built about 1960. Named from Commonwealth cities theme, (in nations visited by H.R.H. Queen Elizabeth immediately after her coronation).

Holly Court, Sotherby Drive. Houses built 2008.

Holst House, Goldsmith Road. Built about 1961, demolished in 2000. One of the 'musicians' blocks of flats, named after composers.

Honey Court, Sotherby Drive, flats built 2007.

Hope Orchard, off the junction between Hester's Way Lane and Springbank Road. Informal name of three dwellings, built near Hope Farm in 1990.

Lipson Villas, Lipson Road. Built 2000.

Mary Godwin Court, Carter Road, maisonettes built c.1978. The playing-field pavilion at Swindon Village is also named after councillor Mary Godwin, who was mayor of Cheltenham briefly during 1981 (Osmond p.122).

Mill Way, Tewkesbury Road, Swindon Village. 'Millway' would seem to be the name intended by its developers for what became Yeend Close (see above H.1). But 'Mill Way' now applies to just a single pair of dwellings of c.1986, whilst the nearby Edwardian house Millfield (1905) was renamed **Millway House**.

Nimbus House, Gemini Close. Built 2008; probably named on satellite theme.

Orchard Court, Orchard Avenue, St. Mark's. Built sometime 2003-07.

Orchard Park, Hayden Road, Swindon Village. Mobile home park of maybe c.1981.

Park View, Hester's Way Lane. Two terraces of houses built c.1988 overlooking playing field. (On the site of the original St. Silas church building).

Peashill Caravan Site, Badgeworth Road. A site created in 1953/54, the name is recorded in the 1956 electoral register. There were around 8 caravans. The site was probably merged into the Briarsfield Motel site on Gloucester Road. The local field-name here Pease Hill is ancient.

Renard Court, Sotherby Drive, flats built 2007.

Rushworth House, Rushworth Close. Retirement flats built about 1978-80. Like Rushworth Close, they were built for the Schoolmasters Association Ltd.

Shaftesbury Court, Marsland Road. Built c.1989.

Silas Court, Hester's Way Road. Apparent name of 2012-13 development of flats and houses near St. Silas' Church. On site of pub (Tankard & Castle).

Springfield House, Pilgrove Way, built 1998.

Sub-station Lane, off Hester's Way Road. Address used for a couple of caravans near electricity works in electoral registers c.1959.

The Summerfield Nursing Unit, Whittington Road, Benhall. Built in 2010 as Amber Wood Care Home, renamed 2013.

Tibbett Court, Pinewood Drive, flats built 2007.

Tyler Court, Princess Elizabeth Way. Three houses built in 1998 at the end of Shakespeare Road. Named in memory of Tony Tyler, a member of the redevelopment team, who had died about the time the houses were being completed.

Ursula Court, Sotherby Drive, flats built 2007.

Valentin Court, Pinewood Drive, flats built 2006 or '07.

Village Mews, Village Road. Apartments built 2004 in grounds of Arle House.

Walton House, Goldsmith Road. Flats built 1961/2. The name is probably one of the 'musicians' theme, i.e. composers.

Wentworth Court, Village Road. See Arle House, above.

Wilson Court, Marsland Road. Pair of houses of 2006/07, next to Wilson Drive.

H.3 ALSTONE & LANSDOWN AREA

* **Albany Mews**, Parabola Road, Bayshill. A modern courtyard-type development which Hodsdon includes but without a date; early 1980s?

* **Alstone**. On the origins of the name: the Cartulary of Cirencester Abbey (p.429/431) records the name earlier than the dates given in PNG. The spelling is in the forms Aluest' or Alurstune, and the date no later than 1233.

* **Alstone Avenue** – twelve houses were completed in 1904. (A pair called Avenue Villas, now nos.17 & 19 Arle Road, were built about the same time).

* **Alstone Lane**. Named Alstone Street on Coates's 1776 map (as also is Alstone Croft).

* **Alstone Lawn (i)**. Mansion built 1807, and acquired by W.H. Prescod about 1813. Damaged by fire in 1913 and demolished soon after.

* **Alstone Lawn (ii)**. Still stands as a single dwelling, no.45 Millbrook Street.

* **Alstone Lodge**. An old property, rebuilt and so named c.1808. Known as Alstone Grange after c.1896. Demolished c.1904 after Grange Crescent and Alstone Avenue were developed in the grounds.

Alstone Mews, off Alstone Lane. Developed 2002 through 2003 in part of the TA Centre grounds (once allotment gardens). (The new road was labelled "Newland Place" by the developers, and a plaque with this name still stands at the road's entrance).

Alstone Place (ii). Two houses listed in the 1844 directory somewhere near Lower Mill. Possibly across the river from the mill, possibly on Gloucester Road facing the Albion Brewery. Or conceivably a name for Waine's Cottages, see below, on the corner of Arle Road.

* **Alstone Villa**. Here by 1806 when it was the Workhouse, then acted as the Alstone Spa from 1809 to about 1834, then listed as a

“homestead” in the Inclosure Act. Listed in 1844 directory as a pair, Alstone Villas. Remained as a pair until demolition c.1906.

* Alstone Villas. Now nos.49-55 Gloucester Road, part of Grange Crescent, which see.

Amos Close, off Millbrook Street. Built 2000, (possibly 1999). Land belonged to engineer Amos Thompson in early 20th century.

Ash Tree Mews, Rowanfield Road. Built 2007 through 2008.

* Bayshill. First recorded as Bayes Hill in 1548 – see Hockaday Abstracts – tending to confirm even more Hart’s derivation.

* Bayshill Lane. *Find date of naming.*

* Bayshill Lawn. Nos.1-3 probably of c.1860, and still standing. Nos.4 & 5 (originally 1 & 2) inhabited by 1843, now demolished.

* Bayshill Terrace. Complete and mostly occupied in the 1841 census, although directories are slow to include it.

* Bayshill Villas, or usually Bays Hill Villas. Nos.1-8, still standing, were here around 1843. The further numbering 9-11 was occasionally used to refer respectively to Hadley House (here by 1840), Emont Lodge (by 1840, now gone), and Ashfield (or Italian Villa by 1841, now rebuilt).

* Benhall. Hodsdon’s remark that Wasley Copse was once connected to Benhall Wood, although logical, seems to have no particular evidence. Cf. Wasley Road below.

* Brighton Cottages (i). Merely an alternative name for Brighton Place. Site is now approximately 77/79 Millbrook Street. (The 1851 census includes two addresses at Brighton Place North – perhaps merely adaptations of the rear of two cottages in Brighton Place).

Brighton Cottages (ii), Alstone Lane. Original name of the current pair, nos.48 & 50 Alstone Lane. They were built in 1858 (by the owner of the smallholding in Arle Road known as Brighton Gardens).

* Briton Terrace, Roman Road. Present in the 1871 census (as is Vulcan Terrace nearby).

Brook Cottages. A short-lived terrace of three shown on the 1850s O.T.S. map, near and facing across the brook, i.e. the River Chelt, (across from Alstone Lower Mill). Located near Brook Villa. Still in

the 1891 census, but cleared for the Gas Works, perhaps in the 1890s. Compare Wilson’s Cottages below.

* Brook House. Known as Alstone Brook Cottage in the 1844 directory, also known more recently as Old House or as Old Farm. It was owned by Arthur Spencer at one point, but it was not his dwelling – the Spencers lived at Knapp House.

Brookbank Close, off Honeybourne Way. Built 2003 through to 2008. Named after Brook Bank Cottage which stood here on the bank of the brook, the River Chelt. It had been a Regency style building, demolished c.1990. (Brookbank House was a name briefly used for what is otherwise Viceroy Corner, built 2003).

* Burton Cottages. Burton Cottages are nos.2-22 Great Western Road. The label still appears on no.4, and it seems that nos.2 & 4 are much older than the rest. A garden is here in 1831, and a dwelling in 1841 of T. Phipps. His address is ‘Burton Gardens’ in the 1844 directory (in New Street), and he has a neighbour. Both forms appear - Burton Gardens and Burton Cottages - for the same address in Edwards’s 1852 directory. So the first two cottages maybe date from c.1841-51, or maybe earlier – see Griffith’s 1826 map. The remainder of the terrace, nos.6-22, is of the 1890s.

* Calcutta Terrace. Hodsdon not quite right: 1844 directory lists Calcutta Place, which was just two dwellings, representing the existing cottage(s) 171 (& 173) St George’s Road. These were also named Calcutta Place in the 1851 census, but more recently often just called Calcutta Cottages. The four cottages of Calcutta Terrace first appear in the 1851 census, and one address appears in Edwards’s 1851 trade directory, suggesting a construction date of 1850.

* Chapel Walk. Hodsdon not quite right. It is not named after the Unitarian Church, but after the building that stood opposite, listed by Hodsdon under the name United Methodist Free Chapel.

* Christchurch Court, addressed no.77 Christchurch Road. A courtyard style development. Hodsdon gives no date, probably about 1988-1990.

* Christchurch Farm. The site became the Ladies’ College sports

ground in 1894 (Osmond p.43). Marked on O.T.S as 'Christ Church Farm: F. Jacobs Mews.' Listed earlier as Griffiths' Farm in 1844 directory. Marked on a sketch map of around 1820 as 'Prescod Esq Farm (now Thompson Esq).'

Clare Villas, Arle Road. A pair in the 1891 census and 1900 directory, though generally listed as Clare Villa later. Stood in the vicinity of where Central Way is now.

* **Cloddymore Road**. Note that a dwelling called Cloyd More is in the 1841 census, probably on Hatherley Road.

* **Cold Bath**. The two locations mentioned by Hodsdon are probably the same place, near the tithing border of Alstone. See also latest (2013) research in *CLHS Journal 29* pp.49-51 for more clarity. In the 1841 census **Cold Bath Cottages** are in two groups, i.e. seven cottages on the St. James's side of the river, (the original group –see e.g. Griffith's 1826 map) and two (more recent) cottages on the Bayshill side. They were not in the way of the St. James's railway development, nevertheless they seem soon after to have disappeared (not merely to have been renamed). Compare 'Paradise' in the Cheltenham section below H.5.

Colletts Drive. Industrial access off Tewkesbury Road, named after Tesco was built here c.1991. *Find out origin of name.*

* **Cox's Row**. Hodsdon is unsure about location. No.424 on the 1831 Inclosure Act map is the property belonging to Cox, also visibly marked on the OS 1828 map. Certainly by 1844 (Harper's directory) it had been adapted into a terrace known as Cox's Row. By 1884 they had been renamed as New's Cottages (which see below), which were finally demolished in 1947. Location is now the back end of Thornbury Close. The terrace had been accessed via a narrow drive. A former local resident Peggy Ashton recalled that in the 1930s "Cox's Alley led to New's Cottages" [info. Jill Waller], so the older name had not then yet been forgotten.

* **Croft Place** Four cottages named as **Croft Cottages** in 1844 directory and elsewhere, or as Crofts Place in the 1851 census. Now correspond to nos.6-12 Alstone Croft.

Crowther's Cottages A terrace of three near Lower Mill, a little

north of Brook Cottages listed above, but endways on to the River Chelt. So named on the 1850s O.T.S. map, but named Wilson's Cottages on maps of 1880s/90s, which see below. Crowther was a local builder (who perhaps also built Crowthers Passage in Malvern Street).

Daft's Cottages, Granley Road, see entry for Daft's footpath in Hodsdon. No.5 is listed in the 1891 census, with the implication that there were six altogether. Perhaps the same as Shamrock Villas or Garden View (see Hodsdon). Maybe still standing.

* **Derby Cottages (ii)**. An old half-timbered farmhouse had been converted to a beer-house, the Derby & Stafford Arms, by 1844. (The name referred to the source of the coal now being brought into Cheltenham by the new railways). In the 1880s reverted to two residences called Derby Cottages, 40 & 42 Alstone Lane, located near The Bramery. Demolished c.1969: (see note on Marion Cottages, below).

* **Derby Villas**, Lansdown. Can be found in the 1854 annuaire. Still standing as Glen Isla, 16 Douro Road.

* **Derrett's Cottages**. Seven houses are apparent on the 1831 map (Inclosure Act). The 1851 census records the name, with Benjamin Derrett as living at no.6, his profession being a "proprietor of houses." He perhaps rebuilt or redeveloped them around that time. Nos.5-7 are still standing as nos.58-62 Alstone Croft. Nos.1-4 were demolished in 1939.

* **Devon Villas**. Replaced "Major's Row No.2," which see. These in turn have been replaced by Millbrook Gardens – (location is now nos.1-7).

* **Elston**. Hodsdon has failed to notice that *PNG* includes a selection of house-names which the author thought might hint at something more ancient. (Grenewode Leghe would be another example). These were taken from the 1884 O.S. map. Elston was a house of maybe c.1870 off Gloucester Road and Griffiths Avenue, sometimes called Southfield or Oldfield, which was demolished in c.2006.

* **Fauconberg Terrace**. Bought up by the Ladies' College in 1891 (Osmond p.42), who dubbed the terrace **Onley's Folly** (after the

architect), because they were so badly built.

Gas Lane Cottages. Nos.1-3 are in the 1891 census, separate from any other known group in Gas Lane: apparently close to Tewkesbury Road. (See Lower Mill Street, below).

* **Grange Crescent**. Originally 18 houses were built in 1899, now nos.57-91 Gloucester Road. The name was also applied to a further ten houses built during the following decade, now nos.29-47 Gloucester Road. For the significance of the name, see Alstone Lodge above.

* **Great Western Road**. The surviving northern section is a reasonably old route. The 1776 and Mitchell's 1806 map suggest a different route existed from New Street to Upper Mill, but after that (from 1810), maps show the existing route.

* **Higgs' Cottages/Row**. Already six cottages in the row by 1824.

* **Hillfield**, St. Mark's. Hillfield is used in census returns as a district name for the southern end of Rowanfield, being the address of ten houses in 1851, and sixteen houses in 1861. The latter includes St. Mark's Church (then under construction).

Hill View Cottages. Pair, now nos. 61 & 63 Rowanfield Road. Marked though not named on the 1884 O.S. map. Named in 1902 directory.

Honeybourne Way, off Gloucester Road. Developed 2002 by Waitrose, accompanied by the Jubilee Bridge which carries the Honeybourne Line Cycle Path overhead.

Jethro Cottages. Listed in 1891 census, in Alstone Lane. Maybe the same as Cox's Row/ New's Cottages, which see in section above.

* **Knapp Cottages**. A row of three, apparently developed out of the former 'Knapp House.' Demolished in 1982.

* **Lansdown Mews**. Current properties with this address are in Lansdown Walk. The 1847 reference would be to this, or to nearby mews in Lansdown Crescent Lane or Lansdown Place Lane. (Cf. *Leaving All That Was Dear* p.9).

* **Lansdown Villas** To locate these more precisely than Hodsdon: nos.1 & 2 are the houses now named Pembury and Nouvelle in Lansdown Crescent. Nos.3 & 4 are Lansdown Court in Malvern

Road (also known as Italian Villas, as Hodsdon records). Nos.5-8 are at the east end of Lansdown Parade. When built they formed a single row facing southwards, now divided up by Douro Road, etc. (Possibly there was also a no.9).

Libertus Mews, behind no.4 Libertus Road. Private road of 5 houses, completed in 2013.

* **Little Bayshill Terrace**. Seven dwellings, i.e. at least one half of the road, are listed in the 1841 census under the name Bayshill Terrace. Four dwellings are here named Bayshill Terrace (North) in the 1844 directory.

Lovets Cottages, Millbrook Street. Address of two properties in the 1851 census. Perhaps the same as Old Millbrook Cottages – see Millbrook Cottages (ii) below. Named from a local surname, e.g. James Lovett recorded in 1831.

Lower Brighton Gardens. This is the address of a single property in 1916, but by 1925 is being used for a group of four smallholdings, as shown in the Built-Leonard directories. Comparison with the electoral roll indicates two of these as otherwise known as Merriville (no.160 Arle Road) and Bungalow Gardens (formerly no.218 Brooklyn Road). Lying west of the house called Brighton Gardens.

* **Lower Mill Street**. The 1871 census is interesting in using this name for some addresses, whilst for various others using the earlier terms Gas Lane and Coach Road, while Soho Place is also recorded in the preamble to the enumeration district, even though it had been demolished. (See Hodsdon's entries for each of these).

Lower Sandfield Gardens, laterly nos.148 & 150 Alstone Lane. So called in for example the 1920 electoral register. Also called **Sandfield Cottages** or **Sandfield Villas** in various censuses and directories. See Lucinia Mews and Parsonage's Cottages below. Compulsorily purchased in 1948 for the Rowanfield Estate and demolished – see *Discovering Alstone Volume 1* p.27.

Lucinia Mews, off Alstone Lane. A street built in 2001 (fully occupied in 2001 electoral roll). Named after Lucinia, a house and market garden that once stood nearby – one of Lower Sandfield

Gardens above.

* **Major's Row**. Row No.2 consisted of six cottages – these were demolished around 1902 and replaced by Devon Villas. The current nos.37 & 39 Millbrook Street would appear to be a survival or redevelopment of a part of Row No.1.

* **Marion Cottages**. Still standing and now numbered as 52 & 58 Alstone Lane which were built in the 1700s, and also no.54 Alstone Lane a timber framed building of the 1600s. So named in the 1871 census. [NB. Verey's reference to a half-timbered house in Alstone Lane has sometimes been erroneously assumed to refer to these cottages. It actually refers to a now demolished property – see Derby Cottages (ii) above]. There is or was also a pair called Marion Cottages in Horsefair Street, Charlton Kings (e.g.1920 e.r.).

Millbrook Cottages (ii), or **Old Millbrook Cottages**. A terrace of three, of which the current no.81 Millbrook Street appears to have been the first built, probably in the 1820s, and the only one now to survive.

* **Millbrook Street**. Named '**Horse Way**' on Coates's 1776 map.

Millbrook Terrace (ii). Name for the row of 34 cottages described but not named by Hodsdon – (see his entry for Millbrook Street); now nos.34-100 Millbrook Street.

* **Montpellier Courtyard**. A provisional name. See 'The Courtyard' (in the following section H.4).

* **Newcombe Cottages**. Later a single cottage, renamed 'The Bramery' by 1900. Demolished in the 1950s.

* **New's Cottages**. Formerly known as Cox's Row, which see above. Cottages were still standing during WWII - were then used by the A.R.P. for firefighting drills, then as storage until demolished in 1947.

Nolty Lane, Alstone. Named in *MCB* (para.1483) in 1729, as a track in rural Alstone. It presumably led to or across the field called Nolthayes - now the vicinity of Christchurch Road.

Norfolk Mews, Rowanfield. Street of three houses built 2002 off Norfolk Avenue.

Old Vicarage Road, St. Mark's. Provisional name (for what became

Chad Road) in the 1959 electoral register, when its first house (no.5a) had been built.

* **Overton Gardens**. Now defunct as a street-name. Divided between Overton Road and Overton Park Road.

* **Page's Row (i)** Compare Cox's Row above. Hodsdon is unsure of location. Mr. Page's property is no.425 on the Inclosure Act map, also visibly marked on the 1828 OS map. By 1844 at least it was a row of three properties. Presumably removed by 1871 to enable the construction of St. John's Cottages: they stood behind the present no.27 Alstone Lane.

* **Parkbury Close**, off Rowanfield Road. Hodsdon lists this but gives no date. Built in 1971.

Parsonage's Cottages. Nos.1 & 2 are in the 1871 census. Probably equates to Lower Sandfield Gardens – see above. Presumably built by George Parsonage - (compare St. George's Parade below).

* **Perry's Mill**. That is, Upper Alstone Mill. Thomas G. Perry was milling here by the 1841 census. He appears to have been head miller from 1847 to 1857 at least, as well as being for example a tythingman for Alstone (1852 directory).

* **Queen's Retreat Road**. It is known now, and since at least 1920, and also when built, as **Queen's Retreat**. I haven't seen Hodsdon's version of the name, but it may have been used for some short time after 1898.

* **Rose Cottages (ii)**. Now nos.70-74 Alstone Lane. There are buildings marked at this location on the 1831 Inclosure Act map, probably a row of cottages, though of unknown name. Rebuilt following a fire in 1864.

Rose Cottages (iv), Rowanfield Road. Nos.1 & 2 are in the 1871 census and 1880 Post Office directory. Perhaps the location became later known as Rosedale, (now at 75 Rowanfield Road) or as Hill View Cottages (see above).

* **Roseland Terrace**. Now numbered 62-68 Rowanfield Road.

Royal Old Well Walk. An 1844 name for Old Well Walk.

* **Ryburn Villas**, Rowanfield Road. Two pairs, now numbered 34-40.

* **Royal Parade**. This name was presumably inspired by ‘The Royal Road’ – likewise Royal Circus, see Hodsdon’s entries for these. The 1841 census indicates a row of ten buildings under construction in this vicinity, and Royal Parade does seem to have taken until c.1850 to reach completion.

* **St. George’s Parade**. The older half are ‘listed’ three-storey buildings, now nos.89-103 St. George’s Place. One of the first two residents here in the 1841 census was George Parsonage, plumber, glazier, painter, etc. He maybe finished off his own dwelling before working on the others. These were complete by 1844. The facing terrace of two-storey houses, now nos.84-100 St. George’s Place, were here by 1847 and retained the appellation St. George’s Parade until more recently.

* **St. John’s Cottages**, Alstone Lane. Now nos.17-27, they are on the 1871 census.

St. Mark’s Cottages, Rowanfield Road. A pair in the 1871 census, the name probably connected with nearby St. Mark’s School. Called St. Luke’s Cottages on the 1884 O.S. map, which is surely an error. Now nos.72 & 74 Rowanfield Road.

* **Sandfield Bridge**. So named on the 1884 O.S. map. The bridge appears to be on the 1854 map, so was probably built at the time of the railway (1839).

Sandfield Cottages. See Waine’s Cottages below, and also Lower Sandfield Gardens above.

* **Sandfield Place** – now nos.7-15 Arle Road. Nos.1-4 built in the late 1880s. (The 1891 census also includes nos.1a and 2a, perhaps referring to Waine’s Cottages – see below).

Saxon Quarter, Arle Road. Provisional name for development beginning in 2015.

Scholars Court, Gloucester Road. Street built in 2003 on the site of the Central School, latterly the Christchurch Annexe of the Glos. College of Art & Technology.

* **School Mead**, Rowanfield Road. Hodsdon does not mention the reason for the name, i.e. the presence of St. Mark’s School on this site, latterly Christ Church Primary School.

* **Six Chimney Lane**. The name of the ancient farmhouse derives from its six huge chimneys in a row running back from the highway. Demolished in 1936, the location of the farmhouse is now no.35 Arle Avenue.

South Bank, off Alstone Lane. Built 2001 through 2002. The street name has been borrowed from a local house which still stands – no.152 Alstone Lane – which once belonged to the Cook family who farmed the area.

Station Lane. Used as an address in the 1851 census, referring to either Libertus Road or Roman Road, or a predecessor of one of these. (Compare Hodsdon’s entry for The Midland Road).

Stone Crescent, off Alstone Lane. Built 2001 through 2002. Street name is maybe adapted from “Stone Court,” the overall name of this estate used by the developers, (which is in turn conceivably an abbreviated form of “Alstone Courtyard”?) [Site of the estate was formerly occupied by Four Seasons garden centre, Grower Marketing Services warehouse, and two houses 204a & 204b Alstone Lane].

* **Stow Court**, Gloucester Road. Hodsdon offers no date – probably c.1990. On the site of Rowenfield House of c.1850.

Surrey Mews, Rowanfield. Two houses built 2002 off Surrey Avenue.

* **Thornbury Close**, off Alstone Lane. Hodsdon gives no date – a plaque at the entrance to the flats here records the opening by R.H. Thornbury, Housing Committee Chairman, in 1978.

Vine Cottages. Nos.1 & 2 are in the 1871 census. These may be the adjoining buildings now no.39 Alstone Lane (still called Vine Cottage) and no.68 Alstone Croft, or may be just subdivision of 39 Alstone Lane between house and shop (called Bowles Shop in 1881/91 census).

* **The Vineyard(s)**: Hodsdon fails to distinguish between “The Vineyards,” a recent trading estate (maybe c.1990) next to no.185 Gloucester Road, and **Vineyard Lane**, an access lane (leading to a Scouts’ Hall, and to two houses built in 2007), next to no.141 Gloucester Road. The latter corresponds to a track, officially

designated in the 1820s, leading to the 4-acre plot called The Vineyard, which had been part of the “Essex” estates in the 1700s. (It doesn’t seem an ideal spot for vines, it isn’t even south facing). By 1884 (O.S.) this track led to a group of dwellings there called The Vineyards. The precise location of that plot of ground The Vineyard is now occupied by units 5 to 9 at Alstone Lane Trading Estate.

Waine’s Cottages – pair lately no.27 Gloucester Road and no.1 Arle Road. Apparent on 1831 map. They are Waine’s Cottages on the 1881 census, then **Sandfield Cottages** on the 1901 census, then **Elm Cottages** in 1926 directory. Their acquisition by the Waine family is described in *History of Hester’s Way Vol.3* pp.31,32, with photo. Demolished 1983.

* **Wasley Road**. See the note above on “Benhall.” Note that part of Wasley Copse still stands, but it is off Milton Avenue.

* **Wendover Gardens**. There is a probable glitch in Hodsdon’s typing. Substitute ‘Grove’ for ‘Close’ throughout his entry, I think?

Werretts Cottages, Gloucester Road. Nos.1-9 are in the 1861 census, next to the Lansdown Inn where Thomas Werrett was innkeeper. Appears to be part of St. Marks Place, that is, in Granley Road.

* **Westall Farm**. Recorded in 1844 directory as ‘Westh. fm.’, Hatherley Road. I think the location is now the Edwardian-looking building (dubbed Westal Court) at 27 Hatherley Road. Farm buildings are at this location on the 1831 Inclosure Act map.

* **Westfield**, Alstone Lane. The building was so named by 1869 (according to Jill Waller). A cottage was on this site by 1831 (Inclosure Act map) and probably in 1776 (Coates’s map).

Wharfdale Square, off Alstone Lane. Built 2001 through 2002. Compare South Bank above: “Wharfdale” was the name of a nearby cottage, e.g. listed in Kelly’s 1948 directory, so called because it was beside the industrial area called Alstone Wharf, formerly a coal wharf. (The cottage’s location would now be by unit 5 on Alstone Lane Trading Estate). (There was or is a Wharfdale House in London Road, with a nearby Bramery Cottage, e.g. 1920 e.r.).

Whithorn Cottage, Gloucester Road, located somewhere opposite

Lansdown Castle, towards Benhall. Appears to equate to building known to 1960s as Benhall Cottage – see Benhall House above. Although cottage is singular, there are two dwellings here with this name in the 1861 census, as also in 1841/51 where they are called Whit(t)erns Cottage. The name doubtless derives from a nearby field-name Whithorne Piece, recorded in the Inclosure Act. See also the entry for Whithorne Farm in Cheltenham, H.5 below.

* **Williams’s Cottages**. A terrace of four or five dwellings, built adjacent to the dwelling of John Williams, coal merchant, around the 1850s. Replaced around the 1940s by the current nos.41-47 Alstone Croft.

Wilson’s Cottages. A short-lived terrace of three cottages, across the river from Alstone Lower Mill. In the 1871 census, but demolished to make way for the growing Gas Works around the 1890s. (All three are in the 1891 census, but nos.1 & 2 are empty). Compared with Brook Cottages, Wilson’s Cottages were a little further north and in a line running away from the river. See Crowther’s Cottages above.

* **Woodbine Cottages (ii)**. Some kind of building was here in 1831, maybe a pair of cottages (Inclosure Act map). So named in the 1871 census (and probably earlier). Latterly nos.78 & 80 Alstone Lane, they were replaced around 1980 by Lyndale Terrace.

* **York Terrace**. Not in the 1841 census. First appears in Edwards’s directory in 1850, and probably complete by 1851 (*check census*).

H.4 SMALLER DEVELOPMENTS IN ALSTONE & LANSDOWN

Albany House, Lansdown Road.

Alpha House, Queen’s Road. Nine flats (and Tesco supermarket) built in 2012 (on site of petrol station). For the name, cf. Jenner Court below.

Alstone Lane Industrial Estate. Present and fully occupied in Kelly’s 1969 directory. On site of coal wharves. Now generally known as Alstone Lane Trading Estate and St. George’s Business

Park.

Ascot Court, Western Road, Bayshill. Conversion to housing in 2005 of the former Royal Ascot Hotel. Named with a racecourse connection no doubt – compare Kelso Court.

Ashmore Court, 95 St. George's Road, Bayshill. A villa, then a care home, extended and converted to apartments in 2006.

Beaconsfield Court, 57 Christchurch Road, Lansdown. Flats.

Benhall House, Gloucester Road. Block of eight flats, listed in Kelly's 1965 directory. On the site of a brickyard and cottage recorded here in 1831, (Inclosure Act plot no.306), which was still called Benhall Cottage on the O.S. 1961 map.

Bishop Court, Devon Avenue, Rowanfield. Flats built sometime between 1959 and 1965.

The Bramery, Alstone Lane. Industrial road named after a cottage that stood a short way off. The road existed by 1965 but was not formally named until more recently. Regarding the name, see Newcombe Cottages and Wharfdale Square above H.3, (and compare a house called Bramery in Church Road, St. Mark's).

Chestnut House, Bayshill Lane. Block of eight flats listed in Kelly's 1965 directory, converted to a block of four c.2000.

Chapel House, Royal Well Lane. One small house, probably contemporary with the adjacent chapel schoolroom, i.e. 1874. It was empty in 2006 when probably damaged by an explosion in the adjoining electric transformer. Rebuilt in 2006/07 as a pair of houses of the same name.

Charlotte Rose House, Christchurch Road, Lansdown. Existed by 1986.

County House, Bayshill Road. Currently offices. A listed building, supposedly of 1839-42, but I would say nearer 1860.

The Courtyard, Montpellier Street. Shops of about 1985. Listed by Hodsdon under the name "Montpellier Courtyard."

The Crescent, Gloucester Road. A 2005 development of apartments near the railway station.

Devon Place, no.2 Devon Avenue, Rowanfield. Flats of 2011 (replacing the Golden Miller pub), built for staff or students at the

Gloucestershire College on Princess Elizabeth Way.

Dorrincourt Mews, St. George's Road. A 1983 development behind an old house called Dorrincourt (no.131 St. George's Road).

Eildon, 21 Lansdown Road.

Elm Cottages, Arle Road, see Waine's Cottages H.3 above.

Elmfield, Overton Road, Bayshill. Modern wardened flats, (late-1970s), replacing an old house of the same name.

Eltham Lawn, Queen's Road, Lansdown. Modern apartments, post-1975.

Emmanuel Cottages, Rowanfield Road. Three dwellings built in 2012 on site of Emmanuel Church.

Emperor Court, Brookbank Close. Built 2004 along with nearby Kings House.

Epsom Court, Western Road, Bayshill: 2006 development, named in racecourse connection as neighbouring buildings.

Fairmount Court, 6 Fairmount Road, St. Mark's. Two blocks of flats, both date-marked 2006.

Ferlys House, Overton Park Road, Bayshill. Old house, converted to about seven flats by 1952, mostly now Honeybourne Vets since 2000/1.

Framlington Court, Libertus Road. Built 2003 on site previously occupied by Framlington Lodge.

The Glass House, at no.80a St. George's Road, Bayshill. Block of flats built 2003.

Glenowen, Lansdown Road. By 1965.

Goldfoot House, Griffiths Avenue, St. Mark's. Built sometime between 1975 and 1986.

Hendre Mews, Overton Park Road, Bayshill. Modern development, maybe late 1980s, behind an old house called Hendre. The name is common in Wales, for example The Hendre is a big estate to the west of Monmouth.

High Point, Overton Park Road, Bayshill. Flats built c.1965-1967.

Homespa House, Christchurch Road, Lansdown. Existed by 1986.

Iveagh House, no.1 Lansdown Crescent. A listed building of c.1828. Ruinous by 1969, mostly rebuilt in 1984.

James Court, Griffiths Avenue, St. Mark's. Flats in four separate blocks, built 1961-62 (electoral registers).

Jenner Court, St. George's Road. Retirement apartments built 2012-13. On the site of Alpha House, or Dr Edward Jenner's "Pest House." Adjoining, Sandfields Care Home was added in 2014, using an old locality name.

Jesse Mary Chambers, Tennyson Road, St. Mark's. Apartments inscribed with the date: "Almshouses 1924." Believed to be named after the builder's sister.

Kelso Court, Western Road, Bayshill. New building of 2005 behind Ascot Court, see above. Name has a racecourse connection.

***Kingston**, Overton Park Road, Bayshill.*

Lansdown Industrial Estate, Gloucester Road. So named c.1970.

Lefroy Court, Talbot Road, Lansdown. Built in 2004. Near the police headquarters, so is presumably named after Capt. Anthony Thomas Lefroy, the first Chief Constable of the County police force, who retired in 1865. (He is mentioned in Rowe, pp.83 & 87; Osmond p.34. There is a photo of the former police HQ Holland House in 1923 in Whiting *Vol.1* p.88). Site had been previously occupied since 1973 by the Cotswold Nuffield Hospital (Osmond p.92).

Libertus Place, Libertus Road. Two houses built in 2007.

Malvern Priors, no.7 Malvern Place, Lansdown. A listed villa, formerly Malvern Court, of c.1830-40, with restoration of c.1990.

Marquis House, Brookbank Close, built 2008.

May Court, Malvern Road, Lansdown. Existed by 1965.

May Trees, Lansdown Crescent. A block of eight flats. Listed in Kelly's 1965 directory.

***Mayfield House**, Lansdown Road.*

***Merrowdown**, 23 Lansdown Road. (In Kelly's 1952 directory this is the location of the Fire HQ).*

Midlands Goods Shed. Railway goods shed of about 1880 located between Arle Road and Tewkesbury Road. A listed building, but demolished in 2003 after repeated arson attacks. Location is now Space Business Centre.

Millbrook Court, Millbrook Street, Alstone. Flats of 1991.

Montpellier Court, Lansdown Road. Listed building of c.1825, now flats.

Neptune Business Centre, off Tewkesbury Road. Trading estate, tentatively dubbed Western Gate in 2004, then Neptune Business Centre in 2005, but not actually built until 2007. Space Business Centre added behind in 2009.

***New Court**, Lansdown Road. *Provisional name for retirement apartment block commenced in 2015.**

Norton House, Alstone Lane. Block of flats built 1961 (according to Chris Green). Also the name of a farmhouse previously at this location.

Oakhurst Court, Parabola Road, Bayshill. Eight flats since 1965.

***Oldfield Point**, Oldfield Crescent, St. Mark's. *Address of two houses built 2007. Oldfield Point was the developers' name for the complex including the nearby flats in Griffiths Avenue.**

Overton Court, Overton Park Road, Bayshill. Block of 18 flats built between about 1971-74.

The Pines, Parabola Road, Bayshill. A row of six dwellings, listed in Kelly's 1965 directory.

Queensgate, Gloucester Road (near Queen's Road). Built 2006, on site latterly John Stayte Services, (sales of gas bottles, etc.), earlier the site of the Midland Inn.

Regency Court, Brookbank Close. Name derives from Regency Walk, the overall name of the whole estate used by the developers of Brookbank Close. Built in 2006.

***Regent House**, Lansdown Road.*

River Court, Millbrook Street. 2014 development of two blocks.

Rowanfield Exchange, Devon Avenue, Rowanfield. Shops built somewhere between 1952-58.

Rutland Court, Douro Road. Nine flats built between about 1965-67.

St. Anthony's, Christchurch Road, Lansdown. Two pairs of modern houses, c.2005 at no.30 Christchurch Road. Name is obscure: the previous building here had been called 'St. Lawrence'

sine at least 1920.

St. George's Gate, St. George's Road, Alstone. Flats built 2005, on site of Calcutta Inn which had stood here c.1841-2003.

***St. George's Mews**, St. George's Road. Provisional name for development commencing in 2015.*

St. James Walk, Honeybourne Way, junction of St. George's Road. Built on part of the old St. James Station site, completed in 2007.

St. John's Court, Millbrook Street, Alstone. Two blocks of flats of maybe about 1980. On site of an old house and garden, from 1937 used as Cheltenham Ambulance Station. Name of flats might relate to St. John's Ambulance who along with the Red Cross also used the building (see 1948 and 1952 directories).

Sandown Court, Western Road, Bayshill. A 2006 development, named with a racecourse connection as neighbouring buildings.

Sovereign House, Brookbank Close. Built 2005 along with **Duke House**.

Spa Court, Overton Park Road, Bayshill. Block of six apartments existing by 1965.

Station Cottages, Roman Road, near railway station. Pair built 2004/05. (Land previously occupied by a warehouse type building I think).

Summerfield Mews, Fauconberg Road. Modern apartments built maybe c.2005, shortly after the restoration of adjoining 21 Royal Parade or Summerfield House in c.2000, which is named after former owner Ron Summerfield.

Upton Leigh, Overton Road, Bayshill. A listed building, originally called Fauconberg Villa in 1848.

Victoria Mansions, Malvern Road, Lansdown. Redevelopment of old building, latterly the Gladyn Rest Home, into apartments, c.2004.

Western Court, Western Road, Bayshill. Large development of apartments which existed by 1986.

Winchester House, at junction of Western Road and Malvern Road. A modern apartment block c.2002 on the site of a Victorian Regency-style house of the same name, which was utterly derelict

when demolished in 1998.

Witney Court, Western Road, Bayshill. Consists of six flats in a semi-detached pair of late-Victorian villas, (previously known as West View and Glastonbury: they appear on maps between 1887 and 1900).

Yew Tree Flats, no.55 Alstone Lane. Maisonettes built 2005 on site of demolished Yew Tree Cottage.

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Albert Court, on junction of Albert Road and Central Cross Drive, Pittville. Terrace, listed by 1975. (Not the same as the Albert Court listed in the next section below H.6).

Alvington Drive, Oakley. Built 2011, named on a West Gloucestershire villages theme.

Annett's Close, off Pittville Circus Road. Listed in Kelly's 1975 directory, but no longer evident. Probably a provisional name for St. Anne's Close.

Arthur Bliss Gardens, off The Park, Leckhampton. Built 2004.

* **Ashgrove**, Beeches Road, Charlton Kings. Development on site of 57 Beeches Road, which was demolished January 1997. Probably built in 2000 or soon after. Maybe on same site as, or name perhaps influenced by, Hodsdon's entry - which see.

* **The Avenue**, Charlton Kings. The land here had this name by 1891, see *CKLHS Journal* 20 pp.37,39.

Balcarras Gardens, Charlton Kings. Built c.1996.

Barberry Close, off Billings Way, Leckhampton. Built 2001 (fully occupied in 2001 electoral roll).

Belworth Court, Hatherley. Two blocks of flats, presumably built at the same time as Belworth Drive.

Beni Close, Cold Pool estate, Badgeworth, street built 2012 through 2013.

Bicknor Drive, Oakley, built in 2007. West Gloucestershire village name theme.

* **Billings Way**, Leckhampton. Maybe laid out c.1992 as Hodsdon says, but the first six houses were built c.1997 and a further twelve in 2003.

(*Check electoral registers*).

Brian Jones Crescent: proposed road-name of 2003, after the member of the Rolling Stones. A controversial choice, rejected in favour of the name John Moore Crescent.

* **Broadwell**. Tithing name was still in use at the time of Norden's survey, 1617, and indeed in Edwards's 1852 directory, (as Bradwell), though it is far from clear whereabouts in Leckhampton it was.

Brockweir Road, Oakley. Built 2009 through 2011. West Gloucestershire village names theme.

Bryony Bank, Leckhampton. The last of the Brizen Estate roads to be named, c.1996.

Bula Way, Noverton. Named 2008 with its first house built; name presumably on racehorse theme. Extension of the housing in 2011 had to be demolished before it was finished for legal reasons. (I think the land was discovered to have a restrictive covenant on it). With only one house, this should qualify as Cheltenham's shortest street - cf. Warden Hill Close below.

Castanum Court, Warden Hill Road. A street built 2004 through 2005.

Charlton Gardens, Charlton Lane, Leckhampton; 2010 private development of 5 or so houses.

Chase View, off New Barn Lane, Prestbury (behind no.91). A private road of 2008-9.

Chevening Court. Appears in the 1997 postcode directory, but I can't trace it on the ground. Should be in the Mead Road area, (Naunton Park).

Church House(s). Almshouses at the SW corner of the parish churchyard (where the current main entrance is). Apparently existed by 1507, and dilapidated when demolished in 1813. See *Cheltenham Revealed* pp.51-54.

Clarke Way, St. Paul's. Built 2000 on former site of Family Planning Clinic. Adjoining College buildings added 2004.

* **Claypits Path**, Charlton Kings. Created in 1787 according to *CKLHS Journal* 47 pp.1,6, when a map marked it "New Public Footpath."

Clearwell Gardens, Oakley. Built 2007 through 2010; name from west Gloucestershire villages theme.

Cold Pool, Badgeworth. The name of a farm, on the 1828 O.S. map but probably an ancient name of the locality. Since 2012 the site of the farmhouse has become part of the built-up area of Cheltenham. See

Symphony Road, below.

College Gate, off Argyll Road, near London Road. Listed by the Council as existing from 1994/5, though I recall it as wasteground until about 1999. *CHECK!*

* **College Place**. Hodsdon unsure of location: it was or is the sliproad that enters Royal Well Place from Royal Well Road. May once have served some purpose, eg rear entrance to chapel once here. Now somewhat spurious, and virtually non-existent after the most recent realigning of the junction, (about 2004).

Croft Drive, Charlton Kings. A probably unadopted street off Croft Road, with a pair of modern houses – late 1960s?

* **Crythan Walk**, Up Hatherley. Hodsdon's date of 1960 is wrong. The name may have been proposed for use at that date, but this street was not built and named until c.1989.

Dawn Run, Noverton. Built 2011 (or earlier); named on racehorse theme.

Delancey Crescent, Leckhampton. Street built in 2013 around former Delancey Hospital building.

Denman Avenue, Midwinter estate. Street built in 2013 through 2014. Named after racehorse.

Desert Orchid Road, Noverton, built 2007 through 2008, racehorse name theme.

Dorchester Court, at the junction of The Park and Moorend Park Road. Flats, existing by 1975.

Drybrook Walk, Oakley. Street built 2009, west Gloucestershire village names theme.

Dymock Walk, Oakley. Street built 2008, west Gloucestershire village names theme.

Edge Road, Oakley. A possibly unofficial name for the main access route at G.C.H.Q. Oakley. Doubtless named from the village of Edge near Painswick. Name noted in 2011, but may be earlier - see Fossebridge Road below.

Edward Wilson Villas, off The Park, Leckhampton. Road of 2004.

Egdon Crescent, Cold Pool estate, Badgeworth. Street of 2012.

Elsmore Street Name on an 1845 map for Elmstone Street, (off Lower High Street).

Emmanuel Gardens, Fairfield Estate, Naunton Park. Modern bungalows near Emmanuel Church: late 1980s?

* **Fairlight Cottages**, Tivoli. Mentioned by Hodsdon in his “Fairlight Place” entry. They are old cottages, still standing in Bakehouse Lane but accessed from behind no.18 Hatherley Street. Perhaps the same as Hatherley Street Cottages, a pair listed in the 1861 census. (*Check O.T.S. and also the 1851 census*). May equate to Hatherley Retreat in the 1841 census (*check also there a date for Hatherley Street*). For the source of the name, compare the villa called Fairlight in St. Stephen’s Road (mentioned by Torode in his book on Tivoli, p. 42). (Fairlight is a village on the coast near Hastings).

Fantasia Drive, Cold Pool Estate, Badgeworth. Street built in 2013.

Fishers Lane, off Fairview Road. A short cul-de-sac near Gloucester Place currently leading to a single commercial property. The road name is marked on maps from about 2002, but only appeared on a name plate in 2006. For possible earlier names for this pathway, which once led through, see Hodsdon’s entries for Albion Square and Cherry Orchard Close.

Folly Gardens, off Folly Lane, St. Paul’s. Provisional name of new street of 2015.

Fossebridge Road, Oakley. A possibly unofficial name for one of the access routes within the G.C.H.Q. Oakley campus. Named after the Cotswold hamlet. Name noted in 2011, but maybe much older - cf. Willow Road, Benhall (H.1).

Gabell Road, off Greenhills Road, Leckhampton. Street built in 2013.

* **Gallipot Farm**. (Note that there is a Gallipot House off the main road at Wickhamford near Evesham. This might help source the meaning or origin of the word).

Gilbert Ward Court, Charlton Kings. Council flats off Croft Road existing by 1975.

* *Godwin Close, Pittville. Check date.*

Goodrich Road, Oakley. Built 2009 through 2011. Name from West Gloucestershire village names theme.

Gosditch Close, off Malthouse Lane, St. Paul’s, built 2007. Land occupied by Gosditch House (which name is in turn taken from a field-name) and adjoining Elim Works site.

* **Green Street**. An 18th century map in the records of Six Chimneys Farm clarifies that “Green Street or Gloster Road” was the name of what we now call Tewkesbury Road from its junction with Lower Mill Street outwards. (The section between White Hart Street and Lower Mill Street

is there called “Townsend Way”). *MCB (para.1209)* of 1724 refers to ‘Greenstreet Way’ leading towards Gloucester, and then quotes a right of access to the “lane or highway called Green Street.” The *MCB* of 1787 also records Green Street as a field-name. Cf. also *Discovering Alstone Vol.1* p.11.

Compare Green Cottage which was located on Tewkesbury Road near Cleaveland Street, still standing in 1975 according to Kelly’s. Compare also Hodsdon’s entry for Green’s Place. (The “Green” being referred to was maybe an unfenced strip of land between the south side of the main highway and the small water channel which formed the tithing boundary).

Grene Way. A highway in the Charlton Park area was named ‘the Grene Way’ in the 1600s (*MCB D855 M14 p.205*) according to *CKLHS supplement to Journal 47* p.11, where Mary Paget equates it to Hester’s Way (ii) below.

The Grove (vi), The Reddings. Hodsdon could have included this road.

* **Grosvenor Place (ii)**. Merely the developers’ name for what became Chalford Avenue and vicinity.

* **Hanover Court**, St. Stephen’s Road. Included by Hodsdon with no date. Here by 1975. *Check*. Also Hanover House added in 2007.

Harrell’s Lane. Mentioned in *MCB (para.1715)* in 1736 as an alternative name for Still’s Lane, that is, now St. George’s Place.

* **Hatherley Villas**, Tivoli. These are latterly known as 72-80 Andover Road. (After renovation in c.1998, the old name has been revived at least informally on the fronts of the houses). The 1861 census also lists Hatherley Villa Cottages, three in number, next to Hatherley Villa.

Hayman Close, off Greenhills Road, Charlton Kings; a private road of 5 or so houses built 2007. Probably from a local surname – compare Hodsdon’s entry for nearby Mornington Drive.

* **Hereford Court**, Hereford Place, St. Paul’s. Two recent blocks of flats, maybe late 1980s? which are presumably named after the earlier building listed by Hodsdon.

Herstret, Charlton Kings. A highway name recorded in 1334 in *MCB* according to *CKLHS Journal 50* p.58. That is, Her Street.

Hester’s Way (ii), Charlton Kings. Name of a highway on a 1787 map, but not referring to the location on the west side of town currently known by this name. The map is copied in the supplement to *CKLHS Journal 47* p.6. This Hester’s Way corresponds approximately to the modern street

called Charlton Park Gate, connecting Moorend Road and Old Bath Road. *MCB (para.225)* also records the name Hester's Way in 1698 in the Naunton Park area of town. But this was probably not a different location but rather merely an extension of the same path across to the other side of Old Bath Road.

The same place-name occurs earlier, in the 1632 Glebe Survey, where the estate called Naunton Meese (parcel of the Rectory) included a land (arable in common) abutting on its east side Hestons Way.

* *Highbury Mews*, off *Priory Street*, near *London Road*. Check date.

Holst Grove, Cold Pool estate, Badgeworth. Street built in 2012.

Humphris Place, off Sandford Road. Street developed in 2014 incorporating Thirlestaine Park Care Home and blocks of retirement apartments (Cedar Court, Regency House). See also Thirlestaine Road, below.

* **Imperial Apartments**. Merely the developers' name, they now have their historic name Broad Walk. See Hodsdon's entries for Broad Walk, Imperial Fountain and Imperial Square.

Inglecote Close, off London Road, Charlton Kings. Built in 2003 on the site of former petrol station and Peter Cowan car showroom.

Inkerman Lane, off Suffolk Road, Tivoli. Opposite the house of this name – see Hodsdon. Access road named c.1999/2000, previously known as “Back of St. Stephen's Road.” Also once known as Hatherley Place Road – see Hodsdon.

* **Irving Court**, 23-29 High Street. Old hotel, converted into apartments late-1970s.

* **Jessops Wood**, The Reddings. Merely the developers' name for the Barrington Avenue estate.

Jodami Crescent, Midwinter estate off Tommy Taylors Lane. Street developed in 2015.

John Moore Gardens, off Merestones Road, Leckhampton. Completed 2004. (See also Brian Jones Crescent above).

Joyford Passage, off Redmarley Road, Oakley. Built 2008, named from west Gloucestershire villages theme: (Joyford is near Coleford).

Kempley Close, Oakley, built 2007. West Gloucestershire village name theme.

* **Kerstin Close**, (Wymans Brook). Hodsdon gives no date, probably around 1970. Kerstin was the Gold Cup winning horse in 1958.

Kerstin Way. Street-name listed in Kelly's 1975 directory after Kerstin

Close, although no addresses are given. Maybe an error, or maybe a theoretical name for the access road that leads to the backs of the dwellings.

Langdon Road Lane, (Leckhampton). Listed as a street name in Kelly's 1975 directory, as the name of the uninhabited path which leads from Langdon Road to Ewlyn Road, parallel to Leckhampton Road.

Lauriston Park, off Merestones Road, Leckhampton. Built 2003. Name presumably of same origin as Lauriston Court in Montpellier.

Leckhampton Place. Intended name for 2015-16 street development. The site was formerly commercial, addressed as no.96 Leckhampton Road (see Liddington Grove below).

* **Leckhampton Rise**. This was merely the developers' name for Kenneth Close of c.1995 which Hodsdon also lists.

Leckhampton Views. Provisional name of 2015 development on former Industrial Estate off Leckhampton Road.

Lexington Square, off New Barn Lane, Prestbury. Built 2003 through 2004.

Liddington Grove, Leckhampton. Apparent name of a long driveway leading to Moss Builders at no.96 Leckhampton Road. (Mentioned by Hodsdon in his Liddington Road entry). Now being developed for housing: see Leckhampton Place above.

* **Linden Croft**, Prestbury. Hodsdon includes this but there is no such place. This was probably the developers' name c.1994 for Watershoot Close.

Little Pheasants, Charlton Kings. Flats of maybe c.1980.

* **Magpie Alley**. *Cheltenham Revealed* pp.22,23 locates this as the existing path between 310 and 312 High Street, leading through to New Street.

Manor End, off Chargrove Lane, Up Hatherley; 2012 street beside the old farmhouse known as Up Hatherley Manor.

Manor Farm Drive, off Manor Park, Up Hatherley; 2012-14 street including the old farmhouse known as Up Hatherley Manor, off Chargrove Lane.

Marle Hill House Drive, (Pittville). Street listed in Kelly's 1975 directory as being off Evesham Road. Obviously a provisional or developers' name for what became “Albemarle Gate.”

Messenger Way, Cold Pool Estate, Badgeworth. Street built in 2013.

Midnight Court, off Desert Orchid Road, Noverton, street built 2007. Probably a racehorse name theme.

Midwinter Close, St. Peter's. Built c.1993/94 on part of the Midwinter Allotments site, (which latter was incidentally the inspiration behind the Johnny Coppin song "Midwinter").

Mill Reef Drive, off Desert Orchid Road, Noverton, built 2007. Probably a racehorse name theme.

* **Montpellier Apartments**. Merely the developers' name. After completion they were numbered as part of Montpellier Spa Road. Compare Imperial Apartments, above.

* **Montpellier Gardens**, Montpellier Terrace. This is also the address of a row of three dwellings of maybe c.1920?

* **Moorend Terrace**, Croft Street, Leckhampton. See Hodsdon – still exists.

Morgans Drive, off Grafton Road, Leckhampton. Built 2002.

Mystic Corner, Cold Pool estate in Up Hatherley/Badgeworth. Street built in 2012.

Nannygoat's Alley. Local name for the alley between Whaddon Road and Selkirk Close. The fragment of an old footpath – see *Cheltenham Revealed* p.69.

Newland Court, off Bouncers Lane, Prestbury. Street developed in 2013-14 by Newland Homes.

Northcroft, a street off The Park, Leckhampton. Built 2003. Name was previously that of a building here, part of the college campus.

* **Nutshell Livery Stables**. Hodsdon gives location as unknown. Named in 1820 directory, operated by Pennington. The 1820 Post Office map shows that "Pennington's Livery Stables" were on Church Lane, where Cheltenham House is now. "Nutshell" was opposite these stables, roughly where Travail Employment Agency is now, the first in a row of three lodging houses operated by Mr Harward in the 1800 directory. No doubt these three were purpose-built guest-houses - being amongst the very few buildings in Cheltenham with a name, as recorded in the 1802 directory, which clarifies the location as "left hand of the Church-yard." These guest-houses and stables would have been incredibly convenient for the walk to the Royal Well, having an access to Royal Crescent, as marked on the map. (The name Nutshell implies somewhere small, as in the phrase "in a nutshell." It may well also have been a round or octagonal building, like Nutshell Cottage/House at Stonehouse near Stroud, which was also built c.1800).

* **Old Dole**, Charlton Kings. Hodsdon is unclear: this is the name of a

farmhouse, still extant off London Road.

Old Farm Drive, off Chargrove Lane, Up Hatherley. Built 2013, the name referring to the old farmhouse surviving here.

* **Old Mead**. As suggested by Hodsdon in his entry for "Mead Road," the name of this terrace derives from the same as a field-name (in Naunton Tithing).

* **Orchard Place**, St. Paul's. Now the location of the Holiday Inn of 2008 and Indigo Place of 2009.

* **Paradise**. Possibly on the banks of the Chelt as Goding says, but I think he wasn't quite right. Two groups of cottages either side of the river were both known as Cold Bath Cottages, (e.g. 1841 census). Paradise Row was one terrace of four in the 1841 census, two terraces (both numbered 1 to 4) in the 1844 directory. Addressed in directory as if next to the old workhouse, and perhaps on the side towards St. James' Villa, since they are listed after that building in the census. See Griffith's 1826 map. Maybe demolished for the railway station, which should locate their site now as under or immediately behind Waitrose. Maybe these dwellings were adapted out of workshops, originally built for the inmates but redundant since this became the children's poor house. In which case the name would be ironic.

Pas Seul Street, Midwinter estate. Built 2013, probably named after a racehorse?

Perry Close, East End, Charlton Kings. Four houses off Glynrosa Road, probably c.2005.

Pillowell Close, off Redmarley Road, Oakley. Built 2008, named from west Gloucestershire villages theme.

Planets Lane, Cold Pool estate, Badgeworth. Street developed in 2014 through 2015. Reflects the name of a Holst symphony.

Prestbury Close, off Prestbury Road near Cakebridge. Street developed in 2014-5.

* **Prestbury Court**, Isall Drive, Prestbury. This was merely the developers' name for what became Courtyard Lodge, see H.6 below.

* **Prinbox Lane**, Tivoli. Hodsdon repeats a common historians' error by spelling this Print Box Lane. The name Prinbox can still be read on the side of the old factory here. (Nor should it be "Pinbox Lane" as Brian Torode records it in "*The Story of Tivoli*" 1998 pp.32,72,79). See also Saddlers Lane below.

Prince Regent Avenue, Midwinter estate. Built 2013, perhaps named

after a racehorse.

* **Queen's Parade Lane**. Maybe a provisional or former name for Queen's Lane.

Redmarley Road, Oakley, distributor road of new estate, built 2007. West Gloucestershire village name theme.

* **Regency Court & Regency Gardens**, (Up Hatherley). In 1994/5 merely developers' names for, I think, the Lavender Road and Sissinghurst Grove areas. The "Regency" label has been over-used, both before and since: in 2015 it is the developers' name for the Corpus Christi/ex-Baylis, Haines & Strange site off Albion Street.

Rhapsody Court, Cold Pool, Up Hatherley / Badgeworth. Street built 2012.

Robinia Close, off Beeches Road, Charlton Kings. Existed by 2002.

* **Roman Hackle Road**, (Wymans Brook). Should be deleted from Hodsdon, since there is and was no such road. The name is an error appearing on some street-maps. Roman Hackle, an Irish horse, won the Gold Cup in 1940.

Rowena Cade Avenue, off The Park, Leckhampton, built 2004. Rowena Cade was a 20th century Cheltonian best known for founding the Minack Theatre in Cornwall. (Hence there is a theatrical connection with Sarah Siddons who has an adjoining road named after her, see below).

* **Royal Well Place**. Appears in Edwards's trade directory in 1850, if not before. Clearly already a highway on the 1828 O.S. map.

Ruardean Walk, off Redmarley Road, Oakley. Built 2008, named from west Gloucestershire villages theme.

The Runnings, Swindon Village. Road name omitted by Hodsdon. It has existed for some time, although it may appear to be merely part of a modern industrial estate. The highway must be centuries old - as is its name, which derives from a field-name. See Hodsdon's entry for Runnings Road.

* **Saddlers Lane**, Tivoli. Name appeared in about 1995 on what had been known as Princox Lane; (see above). Perhaps just the unofficial address of a couple of offices there.

St. Michael's Close, off Moorend Road, Charlton Kings. Built 2005 on former site of convent building.

St. Paul's Walk. Redevelopment at Hudson Street - Manser Street of 2012-13.

* **Sandford Mill Lane**. Was perhaps the track leading from Southgate

Drive only to Mill Cottage (behind Sandford Mill) until it was renamed Sandford Mill Close in the 1990s when more houses were added here.

Sandford Park Place, off Corpus Street. Developed c.1999 over the former **Sandford Park Trading Estate**. I believe this choice for a road-name, like many others in town, was subject to heated debate before being finalised.

Sarah Siddons Walk, off The Park, Leckhampton. Built 2004/05. Named after the actress still celebrated rather glibly in all the histories of Cheltenham some 200 years after she was famous!

Selkirk Court, Pittville. Housing association flats near Selkirk Close. Maybe 1980s?

* **Sheldon's Court**, Pittville. An old street name in Hodsdon, resurrected for a large new development c.1999. The developers' name for the road, "Regency Mews," is also still on display. This site was formerly occupied by Bristol Street Motors and a derelict Regency-style house, no.93 Winchcombe Street.

Sir Charles Irving Close, off Merestones Road, Leckhampton, built 2006/7, named after former local M.P.

* **Six Ways**, Charlton Kings. In 2010 this area name was raised to some official status with road signage as 'Sixways'.

* **Southfield**, off Sandy Lane, Charlton Kings. Southfield Farm is marked and named on Isaac Taylor's 1777 map. Adjoining this now stand a dozen or so cottage dwellings converted from outbuildings called **Southfield Manor Park**. The first few of these are called 1-5 **Southfield Cottages** in Kelly's 1975. Bick's volume on the tramroad explains the railway style architecture here.

Station Close, off Moorend Road, Leckhampton. Built 2005 where ambulance depot had been and near the site of the earlier railway station.

Sumner's Cottages, Swindon Village. An old name for the row of three cottages at nos.20-24 Quat Goose Lane. See Sumner Court in H.6 below.

Swindon Hall, Swindon Village. An old building, this is now also the street address of several modern dwellings in the grounds. Date 1980s?

Symphony Road. Main spine of the housing estate which is technically at Cold Pool, Badgeworth, but is attached to the Up Hatherley suburb; built on the M&G Social Club site. Developed 2012.

Taylor's End, off Billings Way, Leckhampton. Built c.1998/99.

* **Thirlestaine Road**. Note that Thirlestaine Hall, mentioned by Hodsdon, was redeveloped as 7 retirement apartments in 2013-14. Also

built in 2014 adjacent were Thirlestaine Place (see H.6 below) and more retirement apartments: Sandford Court, as well as Humphris Place (see above).

* **Thompson Drive**, Leckhampton. Hodsdon gives no date: c.1993?

Timbercombe Gate, Charlton Kings, near Timbercombe Lane. Street built 2012.

Tivoli Walk. An old service-road from Tivoli Street to Hatherley Street, but perhaps only recently given an official name. (C.f. Tivoli Mews entry in next section below).

Townsend Way. Part of Tewkesbury Road. See entry for Green Street above. Note: there is no connection between the name of Townsend Street and the 'Townsend' in Arle.

Tremblant Close, off Desert Orchid Road, Noverton, built 2007. Probably a racehorse name theme.

* **Trinity Church Lane**. Better known as Trinity Lane, since at least 1926.

Trumpeter Road, Cold Pool Estate, Badgeworth. Street built in 2013.

Upperfield Road, Kingsditch Trading Estate. Industrial road built maybe about 1975?

Viburnum Close, off Billings Way, Leckhampton. Built 2001 (fully occupied in 2001 electoral roll). Name chosen on a flowering shrub/tree theme.

Verda Place, Cold Pool estate at Up Hatherley / Badgeworth, Street built 2012. Musically themed name?

* **Victoria Cottages (ii)**, Tewkesbury Road. Nos.1-3 are listed in the 1871 census (and maybe earlier). Nos.1-5 are still shown on the O.S. 1955 map, directly opposite Queen Street, and named in the 1959 directory.

* **Warden Hill Close**. Following from Hodsdon's comment: the road's unusual length and numbering makes sense when you see that it was originally nos.2a-4b Farmfield Road. This is why Farmfield Road now starts at no.54 in its own side-street, since the two parts were never connected, and Caernarvon Road later linked the two areas. Thus the houses date from maybe 1959 whilst the street-name was probably created in the 1980s. (On the subject of short streets, however, see Bula Way above, also Winton Close and Worcester Street below).

Waterside Close, off London Road, Charlton Kings. Built 2005 beside the River Chelt.

Wayward Lad Close, off Desert Orchid Road, Noverton, built 2007, racehorse name theme.

* **Wellesley Road**, Pittville. Correspondence in the "*Echo*" during late 2000 (by Ron Collett) suggests that, before the road was officially named, it was known as Murder Lane. An unfortunate lovers' tale is attached to the name.

* **Westal Green**. Recorded as Westhall Grene in 1528 (Rowbotham & Waller p.16), and as Westall Green on Coates's 1776 map.

* **White Hart Lane**, off Lower High Street. This highway existed before the area was developed – it is for example visible on the 1808 plan in Bick's volume on the tramroad. It seems to have anciently marked the edge of the town proper, i.e. of the burgage plots. (Literally, the "town's end," hence, the adjoining street's name).

* **Whithorne Farm**. Hodsdon describes the place as being owned by the Council: I think this is more likely to refer to Whithorne, London Road, Charlton Kings, (listed in Hodsdon as Whitehorn) rather than to the plots with similar names mentioned by Rawes in Arle or Alstone. (Compare Whithorn Cottage in Alstone, above).

* **Winton Close**, Warden Hill. Just one house has this address, the remainder is only a service-road. (Therefore this could qualify as Cheltenham's shortest street – see Hodsdon's comment on Warden Hill Close). Winton Close is listed in Kelly's 1975 directory but with no dwellings.

Woodmeade Close, off London Road, Charlton Kings. A 2006 development on former petrol station site. Woodmeade was the developers' choice of name, perhaps also an old name for the locality?

* **Worcester Street**, St. Peter's. (Further to the above comments on Warden Hall Close and Winton Close. The only house in this street not demolished is no.56. Therefore this too could possibly qualify as Cheltenham's shortest road).

Wymans Court, Wymans Brook. Shops with flats above, commenced in 1977 (Osmond p.96), and houses were added to create a street in 2013.

York Row, Prestbury (ii). Housing of c.1995. (No apparent connection with an earlier terrace of the same name listed by Hodsdon).

Yorkley Road, Oakley. Built 2009 through 2011, named from West Gloucestershire villages theme.

H.6 SMALLER DEVELOPMENTS AROUND CHELTENHAM TOWN

The Academy, Dunalley Street, St. Paul's. Conversion 2006 or '07 into

apartments of Dunalley Street School.

Albert Court, Malden Road, (*check*) Pittville, is I believe recent, c.1998.

Not to be confused with the Albert Court in Albert Road, see above, H.5.

Albert House & Victoria House, Albert Road. Flats built 2008.

Aldridge Court, Folly Lane, St. Paul's. Post-1975.

All Saints Mews, All Saints Road. Post-1975.

Alma Cottages (i), Hewlett Place, off Hewlett Road. Original name for two old cottages, currently addressed as nos.15 & 16 Hewlett Place. Mentioned by Hodsdon in his Alma Road entry.

Alma Cottages (ii), Knapp Lane, of New Street. Pair of Victorian Cottages

Als Court, Fairfield Parade, Naunton Park. Post-1980.

Andover Court, Andover Road, Tivoli. Listed by 1975.

Annecy House, Tewkesbury Road. Now generally labelled 43-54 Tewkesbury Road. Council flats, named obviously in connection with Cheltenham's twinning link to the French town. Here by 1975.

Annwell Court, no.101 The Park, Leckhampton: flats. Post-1975.

Argyll Mews, Christowe Lane, off Thirlestaine Road. Post-1975.

The Arkells, Whaddon Road. Flats built 2012. Named after the brewery company.

Arkle Court, Shurdington Road. Flats developed 2010 out of former Moorend Park Hotel. (*Check*). Regarding the name, see Hodsdon's entry for Arkle Close: Arkle was the winning horse in the 1964 Gold Cup.

Ashley Lodge, Shurdington Road. A row of seven dwellings possibly replacing a villa of the same name, (and alongside the existing no.63 Shurdington Road which is known as Ashley Lawn). Here by 1975.

Atlas Court, Idsall Drive, Prestbury. Five or so houses built in 2009 (or possibly a little earlier).

Avenalls Court, Avenalls Parade, near London Road; flats. Post-1975.

Bafford House, Newcourt Road, Charlton Kings. Post-1975.

Bank Close, Charlton Kings. Unofficial name of a short spur off Brookway Road (at its south end). Listed by 1975.

The Bath House Apartments, New Street. Conversion in 2010 of a pub, long known as The Welsh Harp, then briefly as The Flute and Jig, then The Bath House before its closure in 2008 (commemorating nearby Alstone Spa presumably).

Battledown Industrial Estate, Hales Road. Term in use by 1975.

Bay Tree Court, Prestbury High Street. Built c.1997 and added to c.2001.

(The buildings are dated I think).

Beech Close, Noverton Lane, Prestbury. Unofficial address of a group of three houses (*check names of these*), maybe c.1980?

Beech House, St. George's Place, (at junction of St. James Square).

Beech Hurst Cottages, The Reddings. By 1975.

Belgravia Court, no.116 London Road, (near Hales Road). By 1975.

Berkeley Court, High Street, (near Berkeley Place); flats. Post-1975.

Bill Leonard Court, Hamilton Street, Charlton Kings (off Cudnall Street); c.1998?

Blake House, no.23 Knapp Road. A (genuine) former coach-house, in 2008 through 2010 converted into three or so dwellings.

Boleyn Cottages, Church Road, Swindon Village. Three pairs of houses. See Swindon Village Collection for details.

The Brewery, Henrietta Street. Leisure/retail arcade built 2006 on site of former Whitbread-Flowers brewery, with residential flats added in 2007.

Brook Court, The Park, Leckhampton. Small block of flats also known as no.53 The Park, with their own access road. Existed by 1975.

Burkes Court, Dunalley Street, St. Paul's. Built 2008.

Burton Towers, High Street, (near Burton Street). Possibly tongue-in-cheek name for a small two-storey shop, when in 2006 it was gutted, converted and extended into these five small apartments.

** Calderwood Court, Montpellier Parade. Date...? Before 1975.*

Caledonian Cottages, King Street, St. Paul's. a row of three, here by 1920.

** Capel Court, The Burgage, Prestbury. Post-1975.*

Central Wharf, St. James' Square. The industrial area associated with St. James' Station.

Century Court, Bath Road. Despite the name, it was built in 2001, I believe. Former office site generally known as Linotype-Hell (i.e. Hellermann). Compare Hodsdon's entry for Sandford Place.

Chelbury Mews, Prestbury Road. Built 1998.

Chelsea Court, 65-69 St. George's Road. Apartment block built in 2010, and named after adjoining Chelsea Square.

Chelsea Square, see Clarence Walk below.

Chestnut Villas, Gladstone Road, Charlton Kings (next to Chestnut Terrace). A pair, existed by 1920.

Church Cottages, Church Road, Leckhampton. (Only no.1 is listed in Kelly's

1975).

Church Court Cottages, Mill Street, Prestbury, between The Plough and Church Farmhouse. Built, or adapted, in c.1996; possibly holiday cottages.

Churchill Court, High Street. Post-1975.

Churchill Gardens, Churchill Drive, Ewens Farm. Five houses of maybe c.1990?

Clare Mews, Clare Street, off Bath Road. New apartments built 2004.

Clarence Court, Clarence Road, Pittville; flats. Post-1975.

Clarence Walk, St. George's Place. The main part of a development known overall as Chelsea Square, which has been built in the grounds of Shaftesbury Hall. Built in 2000 or 2001, along with **Union House**, **Chester House** and **St. George's Tower**.

Cleavelands Courtyard, Cleavelands Drive, Pittville. Three new houses of c.1998, behind the old house 'The Cleavelands' which was refitted at the same time.

Clent Court, Cranham Road, off Hewlett Road. Near 'Clent Lodge.' Post-1975.

Coach House Mews, Commercial Street, Montpellier, conversions of 1980s/90s.

Cobham Court, Tewkesbury Road. Flats in four separate blocks either side of Cobham Road. Perhaps late 1980s?

The Coliseum Apartments, Albion Street. Block of 13 flats and commercial site built 2014-5, replacing former cinema / bingo hall.

The Conifers, Mendip Road, Lynworth. Recent flats in three blocks, maybe c.1990?

Conway Cottages, Church Street, Charlton Kings. Pair of old cottages located at no.46 Church Street, perhaps originally just a single cottage e.g. in 1920 e.r.

Coopers Court (i), Church Street, Charlton Kings. Flats here by 1975.

Coopers Court (ii), 58-60 St. Pauls' Road. Flats of 2012.

Court Mews, London Road, Charlton Kings. Post-1975.

The Courtyard, Back Montpellier Terrace. Apparently official name given maybe c.1998? for some converted service buildings of a Suffolk Square house.

Courtyard Lodge, Idsall Drive, Prestbury. Four houses built 1996. For the name, compare Morningside Courtyard flats nearby.

** Coxhorne, London Road, Charlton Kings. Development going on here in 2015.*

Croft Villas, Croft Street, Leckhampton. Pair of old houses, (listed alongside another pair called The Croft, maybe not still standing): all existed by 1920

Cypress Court, Waterloo Street, St. Peter's. Flats of maybe c.1980.

Denning Court, Painswick Road, Montpellier. Flats of maybe 1980s.

Devonshire Court. Flats in corner of Devonshire Street and New Street (near Lower High Street). Maybe c.1990?

Dunalley Court, Dunalley Street, St. Paul's, built 2005 or 06.

Eager House, Garden Road, Charlton Kings. Flats, in existence by 1975.

Eagle Tower, Montpellier. Cheltenham's tallest tower-block, HQ of Eagle Star Insurance until around 1997, then divided into serviced offices. In 2015, it is being partially converted into apartments.

East End Flats, East End Road, Charlton Kings. Council flat development in two blocks, by 1975.

Eastcourt Mews, London Road, Charlton Kings. Redevelopment of outbuildings of East Court, of c.1997/98.

Edgeworth, Miserden Road, Benhall. Flats, in existence by 1975.

Ellingham Court, Pittville Lawn. Six flats next to Ellingham House, in existence by 1975.

Elm Court, Hillcourt Road, Prestbury. A large block of flats. *Post-1975.* Presumably on the site of an earlier house of the same name, since Elm Court Cottage & Mews lie behind in New Barn Lane.

Fairhavens Court, Pittville Circus Road. Late-1970s.

Farriers Close, Cleaveland Street, St. Peter's. Converted to housing 2003 or 04 from what appear to have been old workshops.

The Forge, Branch Road, The Reddings.

Francis Court, Priory Street, off London Road. Flats in existence by 1975.

Foster Court, Mendip Road, Lynworth. Post-1975.

Grafton Court, Norwood Road, Leckhampton, (near Grafton Road). Flats of maybe c.1990.

The Grange, Evesham Road. An old house, now divided into four apartments (by 1975). Compare Hodsdon's entry for Grange Close.

Greville House, 283 London Road, Charlton Kings. Old people's home, standing by the time of the 1975 directory though not there named.

The Gryphons, Pittville Circus Road. In existence by 1975.

Guardian Court, Moorend Glade, Charlton Kings. Flats off Moorend

Road, of maybe c.1990?

Gurney House, Trinity Lane, off Winchcombe Street. Flats built by 2007, maybe a little earlier.

Hamfield Cottages, Ham Road, Charlton Kings. Four dwellings, by 1920.

Hammond Court, College Lawn, (near General Hospital). Flats, in existence by 1975.

Hanna Court, St. George's Place, near High Street. Recent – maybe c.1992?

Hanover Place, St. Paul's. Block of 9 flats off Hanover Street. Built sometime 2002-11, probably c.2009.

Harefield Grove, at nos.21-27 The Park, Leckhampton. Built 2005.

Harp Hill Mews, Priors Road. Small 21st century development, probably about 2005. At foot of Harp Hill on site of no.1 Priors Road.

Hartley Court, Pittville Circus Road; flats built 2007. Named possibly from Hartley Common, Charlton Kings?

Hatherley Hall, Hatherley Road, on corner of Warden Hill Road. Original house existed by 1861, current apartmnt block by 1975.

Hatherley Mews, Hatherley Lane. Apartments built 2004, on site of school demolished 2003.

No.1 Hatherley Road. Site being redeveloped in 2015.

Haven Park Homes, Sunnyfield Lane, Up Hatherley.

Hayes Court, Hayes Road, Pittville; flats. Post-1975.

Hewlett Court, Mersey Road, Whaddon. Flats of 2011, near Hewlett Road.

Holst Court, off Winchcombe Street. A 2004 addition to the Sheldon's Court development.

Home Farm Court, Greenway Lane, Charlton Kings. Built (or maybe extended?) in c.1998.

Honeybourne Court, off Swindon Road. Built in 2005 in grounds off the Brownhill Centre – presumably nurses' accommodation.

Honeybourne Gate, corner of High Street and Gloucester Road. 2015 development of retirement apartments. On site of wine merchants – see Rowe.

Imperial Court & Imperial Gate, Imperial Lane, off Promenade. Flats built 2003.

Indigo Place, Dunalley Street, St. Paul's. Apartments built in 2009, (on

the site once known as Orchard Place, though latterly just a carpark).

Ivy Terrace, North Road East. The Reddings. Old row of four: (check age).

James Donovan Court, Hewlett Road: flats. Post-1975.

Joan Hawley Mews, London Road, Charlton Kings. Existed by 2002.

Jubilee Court, Commercial Street, near Suffolk Road. Retirement apartments built 2003.

John Buck House, Sherborne Street, Fairview. Post-1975.

Katherine Court, Salisbury Avenue, Warden Hill: shops and flats existed by 1975 directory, but not so named.

The Knapp, Ledmore Road, Charlton Kings. A group of three modern houses: late 1980s?

Lake Cottages, Lake Street, Prestbury.

Lakeside Court, East Approach Drive, Pittville. Existed by 1975.

Lakeside, Albert Road, Pittville. Two pairs of modern houses, maybe c.1980, with their own access road, near Pittville Lake.

Langton Court, Montpellier Terrace. Built in 2009 on site of petrol station.

The Lawn, Balcarras Lane, Charlton Kings. Development under way in 2015, possibly just one house.

Leckhampton Gate, Shurdington Road. Semi-official name for a row of five houses built in c.1996.

Leckhampton Place, Old Station Drive, Leckhampton: flats presumably of 1977-80: see Hodsdon's entry on Old Station Drive.

Longford Court, Tivoli Road. Six flats. (Near Longford House, The Park). By 1975.

Longleat House, Horsefair Street, Charlton Kings. Council flats, existed by 1975.

Lyefield Court, Cirencester Road, Charlton Kings, near Bradley Road Junction. Private road of 2008.

Lynworth Court, Lynworth Place. Existed by 1975.

Lypiatt Court, Lypiatt Road, Montpellier. Post-1975.

Lypiatt Mews, Lypiatt Drive. Development of c.1995.

Malvern Court, Swindon Close, off Swindon Road. (CHECK). Flats of c.1992 – see Hodsdon's entry for Swindon Close.

Manchester Park, Tewkesbury Road. Industrial spur. Named post-1975.

Manor Court, Up Hatherley. 2013 block of 4 flats (and perhaps barn conversion to be added) in Old Farm Drive, beside the 'Manor' house of

Up Hatherley, off Chargrove Lane.

Manor View, Up Hatherley. Two pairs of houses at junction of Hatherley Road and Cold Pool Lane. Not far from Up Hatherley's old manor house. Probably of the same date as 'West View' – see below.

Marshalla Parade, Monson Avenue, Pittville. Built 2004/05 (along with neighbouring houses in Dunalley Street). On site of a house cum office called Marshalla.

Mead Park Industrial Estate, Mead Road, Naunton Park. Named post-1975.

Medway Court, Whaddon Road. Flats. Post-1975.

Mellersh House, Painswick Road, Montpellier. Flats in existence by 1975.

Mercian Court, Park Place, Tivoli. (See also Hodsdon's entry for Segrave Villas). Post-1975.

The Mews (i), Rose & Crown Passage, St Paul's. (Behind Bennington Street). Apartments probably built 2009.

The Mews (ii), Upper Bath Street, Leckhampton. Two dwellings, converted from an old building in or by 2011.

Middleton House, Pilley Lane, Leckhampton. Part of Delancey Hospital site redevelopment, completed in 2014. Adjoining Grange Care Centre was built in 2013.

Mill Court, Idsall Drive, Prestbury. Existed by 1975.

Millennium Plaza, Portland Street. Flats and offices built 2007, on site of short-lived "Millennium" pub of c.1999.

Montpellier House, Suffolk Square. Large block of flats – conversion. Post-1975.

Montpelier Terrace Apartments, Montpellier Terrace. Block of flats built in 2013.

Morningside Close, Idsall Drive, Prestbury. Built in 1997. Named after house formerly here, Morningside (listed by Hodsdon but with no information).

Naseby House, Cromwell Road, Whaddon. Flats, existed by 1975.

Natton Cottages, Ham Road, Charlton Kings. Three dwellings existing by 1920.

Nazareth House, London Road, Charlton Kings. Post-1975.

New Barn Mews, New Barn Close, Prestbury. Two houses, probably early 1990s.

Northlands, Pittville Circus Road. A Regency building, used as a Youth Centre etc. in the 1980s. Converted and extended into apartments around 2009/10.

Oak Court, Oak Manor Drive, off Hales Road; flats. Post-1975.

The Old Barns, Bafford Lane, Charlton Kings. Development behind Bafford Farm, c.1997.

Old Lodge Court, Wellington Square, Pittville. Flats, existed by 1975.

Old Promenade, Ormond Place. Street listed in Kelly's 1975 directory where it seems to represent what is now the Regent Arcade entrance, i.e. the east part of Ormond Place. Compare 'Little Promenade' – the west part.

Old School Court, Great Norwood Street, Montpellier. Old school converted to housing c.1995 I believe.

Orchard Close, Oakbrook Drive, The Reddings. Built in 2008.

Orchard Cottages, Ham Road, Charlton Kings. *Pair*, existing by 1920.

The Orchards, Ryeworth, Charlton Kings. Group of four houses, now accessed via Glenfall Way but originally from Ryeworth Road. Maybe late 1970s? On site of single dwelling of same name: *date?*

Oxford Walk, off east side of Oxford Street, near London Road. (Mistakenly marked as Oxford Close on some maps). Currently the informal address of just one dwelling of maybe c.1998? Formerly location of 'C. James Motor Carpets' according to directory (*date?*).

Park House Flats, Park Place, Tivoli. Thirty flats in two blocks on the corner of The Park. By 1975. (On the opposite side of the road is Park House West at 50 Park Place).

Park Villas, Whitecross Square, Naunton Park. Pair existing by 1920.

Pavilion Gardens, The Park, Leckhampton. Built 2005 next to Ireton House.

Pembridge Court, The Park, Leckhampton; flats. Post-1975.

Peartree Cottages, Reddings Road.

Pilford Court, Pilford Road, Leckhampton. New group of three houses – early 1990s?

Pine Lawn, Belmont Road. Post-1975.

Playhouse Court, Bath Road. Flats near the theatre. Post-1975.

Plough Square, High Street. Unofficial name used by the management of the Regent Arcade for the High Street portico area, where The Plough's entrance was. Rebuilt in 2013.

The Pond House, Albert Road. Apartments plus lodge of 2014, *I think on site of older house of same name, near no.57. [Check this].*

Portland Gardens, Winchcombe Street. Provisional name of apartment block

under conversion in 2015.

Prestbury Lodge, Chiltern Road, Lynworth. Developers' name for block of six flats built 2007.

Priory Mews, Sidney Street. *Is what?* off London Road and near Priory Street. Compare Hodsdon's entry for 'Priory Cottages' which is perhaps the same location?

Queensholme Mews, Westbourne Drive, Pittville. Two houses, maybe late-1970s, behind 'Queensholme' in Pittville Circus Road.

Quilter House, Grove Street. Flats built 2012.

Regency Hall, junction of Winchcombe Street and Fairview Road. Flats of 2006: site formerly private parking space.

Regency Square, Shurdington Road, Leckhampton. Flats built c.2004/5, replacing former Leckhampton Inn. (Name plates only appeared in 2009).

Regents Court, St. Stephen's Road, Tivoli. Two blocks of flats. Post-1975.

Richwood House, Sherborne Street, Fairview (above the 'One Stop Shop'). Built c.2000. Maybe named in connection with Richmond Cottages – see Hodsdon.

Robert Harvey House, Winchcombe Street. Housing association flats of c.1997.

Rose Cottages (v), Hambrook Street, Charlton Kings. Four dwellings, existed by 1920.

Rose Villas (ii), Swindon Street, off Lower High Street. 1 & 2 Rose Villas were at the end of the original terrace, now known as nos.45 & 44 Swindon Street.

Rosehill Cottages, Coltham Fields, Charlton Kings. A pair, next to 'Rosehill Cottage': all three are probably older than Rosehill Terrace, further up the lane, which is listed by Hodsdon.

Rosehill Court, New Barn Lane, Prestbury. Three houses of maybe c.1990?

Rosehill Rise, (Pittville). Spurious name on some street-maps, of c.2000, shown off Walnut Close. (Possibly an error or possibly a "ghost" name devised to help identify copyright breakers). A bungalow of this name exists very nearby in Hillcourt Road.

Roselands, Church Street, Charlton Kings. Development under way in 2015.

Rowton Court, King Street. Built 2008/9, replacing an empty shop unit on the High Street. As a lodging house or hostel, appears to replace in

function Rowton House block of flats (of c.1980?) in Grove Street, which was demolished in 2012.

Rust Cottages, New Barn Lane, Prestbury. Terrace of three (Council?) dwellings. *Post-1975.*

St. Anne's Flats, Pittville Circus Road. Block of flats plus pair of bungalows near St. Anne's Road. Late-1970s.

Check St. George's House, Grove Street. Flats built 2013 on site of Rowton House. (See Rowton Court above).

St. Ives Court, Albert Road, Pittville. Post-1975.

St. James Court, Knapp Road; flats. Post-1975.

St. James North, St. James' Square. 2007 apartment block.

St. James South, Jessop Avenue, on part of the St. James Station site. Block of 24 flats completed in 2007.

St. Martin's Terrace, Clarence Square, Pittville. New 'Regency' building of c.1999, replacing former converted flats called Lisle House.

St. Mary's Mews, Swindon Road, St. Peter's. Built 2015.

St. Stephen's Manor, Tivoli. Converted old building plus seven new ones in St. Stephen's Road, plus five more new ones in Haherley Court Road. Built maybe late 1980s.

Sandhurst Place, London Road, Charlton Kings. (Near Sandhurst Road). Short street built on site of no.288 London Road, probably in 2010.

Saracens Court, Swindon Road. Flats completed New Year 2010/11. Named after, and perhaps developed by, the local sports club of this name.

School Road Flats, School Road, Charlton Kings. Eight flats in two blocks, recorded by 1975.

Shaftesbury Industrial Estate, The Runnings, Swindon Village. Early 1980s?

Shakespeare Cottages, North Road West, The Reddings. Five pairs of houses.

Sidney Lodge, Hewlett Road. Possibly provisional developers' name for 2008 development at no.51a.

The Stables, Mill Lane, Prestbury. New terrace of c.1998, possibly incorporating renovated buildings.

Stanley Mews, between no.51a Hewlett Road and the end of Sidney Street. Current address of two flats in an old building. (Compare entries for Sidney Street and Priory Avenue in Hodsdon).

Star Court, Pittville Circus Road. Block of 20 or 21 flats, in existence by 1975.

Suffolk House Central, Suffolk Square. Along with **West**, **East** and **South**, blocks of flats, in existence by 1975.

Suffolk Mews, Suffolk Square. Two houses, I think new, *c.*1997?

Suffolk Villas, Suffolk Road, Montpellier. Terrace of six large houses built *c.*2003.

Sumner Court, Swindon Village. A 2006 development on the site of no.24 Quat Goose Lane. Adjoining nos.20 & 22 are old cottages still standing, completing the row called Sumner's Cottages (see H.5 above).

Swans Yard, behind no.3 New Street: appears to be the address of a commercial courtyard. It backs onto no.306 High Street, which has a heraldic bird insignia on the front, indicating the property's ownership by Corpus Christi College. See *Cheltenham Revealed* p.24,58,63. *CLHS Journal 15* p.34,38 says the bird is supposed to be a pelican, but it looks more like a swan (and note that they also owned The Old Swan inn at the far end of the High Street).

Swindon Manor, Manor Road, Swindon Village. Old building which had been divided into apartments. Guttled out and re-divided in 1997.

Thirlestaine Cottages, Bath Road, by Thirlestaine Road. Listed in Kelly's 1975 directory: maybe they were or are part of the 'Thirlestaine Place' which is listed by Hodsdon.

Thirlestaine Place (ii), Thirlestaine Road. Two pairs of houses developed in 2014 as part of the Thirlestaine Hall development. See Thirlestaine Road in H.5 above, and following entry.

Thirlestaine Villas, Thirlestaine Road. Pair of houses near entrance to Thirlestaine Hall. Built post-1975, but may have been demolished and redeveloped as Thirlestaine Place above?

Thoresby, Evesham Road, (next to 'Cleevemont'); flats. Post-1975.

Thornton Mews, off St. George's Street, off Lower High Street. Formerly the schoolroom of St. George's Street Methodists' Chapel, built 1901. Converted in 1997 into four maisonettes, and opened by the mayor Mrs. Pat Thornton. (See Atkinson p.29).

Tivoli Mews, off Tivoli Walk. Built *c.*1998/99.

Tivoli Villas, Lypiatt Drive (off Andover Road). Row of four houses built 2013.

Tudor Lodge, The Park, Leckhampton. Two modern town-house terraces, in existence by 1975. Compare 'Tudor Lodge Drive' in

Hodsdon.

Tytherley Villas, Hambrook Street, Charlton Kings. Pair existing by 1920.

Vernon Court, Vernon Place, near High Street. Cottage-style mews development of probably 2005-10 Compare 'Vernon Place' entry in Hodsdon.

Vineyard Farm Cottages, Timbercombe Lane, Charlton Kings.

Wallace Apartments, Sherborne Street, Fairview. Built *c.*2000.

Warwick Place Apartments, Warwick Place. Block built or converted *c.*2014. Appear to be for short-term lets, and to be an extension of Gurney House, see above.

Waterford Court, Moorend Park Road, Leckhampton. Post-1975.

Wellington Place, Priory Street, at junction of London Road. Apartments of 1998, replacing a 1967 office block called Priory House. (Rowbotham & Waller p.126). For the significance of Wellington, see Hodsdon's entry for The Priory.

West View, Sunnyfield Lane, Up Hatherley. Two pairs of houses next to 'West Cottage' and near 'West Lodge.' Compare Manor View, above.

Date?

Westside Park Homes, The Reddings, (now at junction of Grovefield Way). Previously, *c.*1999, known as Webside Park Homes, presumably in connection with the internet, but before that, *c.*1995, known as Wayside Park Homes.

Whitethorn Cottages, Dark Lane, Swindon Village; six (council) houses. S.V. Collection Volume 7 p.20 gives the building date as 1949/50, although I've seen the date 1958 somewhere.

Whitley Court, Leckhampton Road. Two modern houses, by 1975.

Winstone, Stanway Road, Benhall. Flats, of early 1970s?

Woodbines Park Homes, Sunnyfield Lane, Up Hatherley. Next to house called The Woodbines.

Woodlands Park Homes, Swindon Lane. Post-1975.

Yeldham Mews, Hillcourt Road, Prestbury. Built 2002/03. Nearby is located 'Yeldham House' at no.16 Hillcourt Road.