



Chearsley Village Archive Index

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| 1.1 Historical Development | | | |
| 1.1.1 Publications | Yes | 1 | |
| 1.1.2 Village Name | | | |
| 1.2 School | | | |
| 1.2.1 School Events | Yes | 3 | |
| 1.2.2 School Artefacts | Yes | 3 | |
| 1.2.3 School Closure | Yes | 3 | |
| 1.2.4 Staff & Pupils | Yes | 3 | |
| 1.3 Houses, Architecture, Landscape | | | |
| 1.3.1 Roads & Footpaths | Yes | | |
| 1.3.2 The Stockwell | Yes | | |
| 1.3.3 War Memorial | Yes | | |
| 1.3.4 Houses | Yes | 5 | |
| 1.3.5 Moated Site by the Church | Yes | | |
| 1.4 Events | | | |
| 1.4.1 Fetes & Carnivals | Yes | 12 | |
| 1.4.2 Chearsley Show | Yes | 12 | |
| 1.4.3 Car Show | | 14 | |
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| 1.5 Village at War | | | |
| 1.5.1 English Civil War | | | |
| 1.5.2 WW1 | | 5 | |
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| 1.6 Maps | Yes | 8 | |
| 1.7 Newsletters, etc. | | | |
| 1.7.1 Chearsley News | | | |
| 2. People | | | |
| 2.1 Families & Individuals | Yes | 5 | |
| 2.2 Recollections | Yes | | |
| 3. Parish Council | | | |
| 3.1 Councilors & Officers | | | |
| 3.2 Council Meeting Minutes | | 9, 10, 11, 12 | |
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| 4.3 Vicars, Wardens & PCC | | | |
| 4.4 Events & Services | Yes | 4 | |
| 4.4.1 <i>Poppy Cascade</i> | Yes | | |
| 4.5 Church Records | | | |
| 5. Village Hall | | | |
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| 5.5.1 <i>Current Building</i> | | 19 | |
| 5.5.2 <i>Old Building</i> | | 18, 19 | |
| 5.5.3 <i>Playground</i> | Yes | | |
| 5.2 Trust and Trustees | Yes | | |
| 5.3 Trustee Meeting Minutes | | 18, 19 | |
| 6. Village Trust | | | |
| 7. Clubs & Societies | | | |
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| 7.2 Cricket Club | | | |
| 7.3 Historic Society | | | |
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| 8. Village Businesses | | | |
| 8.1 Pubs | | | |
| 8.1.1 <i>The Bell</i> | | | |
| 8.1.2 <i>Other Pubs</i> | | | |
| 8.2 Farms | | | |
| 8.3 Village Shops | | 5 | |
| 8.4 Chearsley Under Fives (CHUF) | | | |
| 8.5 Other Businesses | | | |



Chearsley Village Archive Physical Contents

| Location (in loft unless indicated) | Folder (If used) | Item Description |
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| Bookcase | | Reference Library - See attached booklist |
| Crate 1 | | |
| | 1.1 | Books: Chearsley - Living Through History, A Short History of Our Village' (1977), Chearsley in Brief |
| | 1.2 | Village historical research. Display material |
| | 1.3 | Leaflet describing photo display in Village Hall |
| Crate 2 | | <i>Empty</i> |
| Crate 3 | | School display materials, 2 mugs |
| | 3.1 | Historical school documents |
| | 3.2 | School photos |
| | 3.3 | Pupil's work |
| Crate 4 (Currently at St Nicholas Church) | | |
| | 4.1 | Church historical documents |
| | 4.2 | Church Repairs 1968-80 |
| | 4.3 | Church History Day |
| Crate 5 | | WWII momento (Lt Lochore). War knitting pattern. Village Shop folder. 'Chearsley Uncovered' calendar 2009. 'Chearsley Boys' calendar 2017. Village calendar 2006. Village map & directory 2004. War display material. |
| | 5.1 | Roll of Honour. Letters home. WWI memorabilia. War related census extracts from 1901 & 1911 |
| | 5.2 | Photos of village people & village houses. Drawings of The Bell |
| Crate 6 | | <i>Empty</i> |
| Crate 7 | | <i>Empty</i> |
| Crate 8 | | Local maps & footpath 1763-2023. Stony Furlong development 2014. Planning applications 1915-2019. Chearsley Village Plans 1973 & 2012-14. Vale of Aylesbury Plan public consultation 2011. |
| Crate 9 | | PC Minutes & other documents 2000-2002 and 2003-2005 |
| Crate 10 | | PC Minutes & other documents 2009-2012 and 2013-2015 |
| Crate 11 | | PC Minutes & other documents 1953-1971 |
| | 11.1 | PC Minutes & other documents Jan 1973-Feb 1984 |
| | 11.2 | PC Minutes & other documents 1984-1989 |
| Crate 12 | | PC Minutes & other documents 1990-1971 Christmas in Chearsley. Chearsley Show. Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee. 'Chearsleyworld' quiz, VE Day 50th Anniversary 1995. Chearsley Cookbook - Village Fete 1995. Tug of War - Coronation Silver Jubilee 1978. 'Chearsley Cherry Bumpers' |
| | 12.1 | Chearsley Carnival 2000-2008. Chearsley Show 1954 & 1993-2018. |



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| Crate 13 | | <i>Empty</i> |
| Crate 14 | | Car Show programmes etc 2013-2026 |
| | 14.1 | Historic Society records & documents 2019-26 |
| | 14.2 | The Stockwell Project |
| | 14.3 | Historic Society 'Pub Revival' day |
| Crate 15 | | Chearsley WI Minutes & records from when it re-started in 1946 |
| Crate 16 | | Chearsley WI - Albums of photos and other material. |
| | 16.1 | Chearsley WI: Fundraising material, early years, 'Trawling' resolution, catering, Bucks County show, other photos |
| Crate 17 | | <i>Empty</i> |
| Crate 18 | | Village Hall documents, 1950s/1960s, 1970s, 1987-2007 |
| Crate 19 | | Village Hall re-development 2016-18. |
| | 19.1 | Village Hall: business records 2013 & 2014-15, Trustee Meetings Minutes 2007-11, Risk assessment |
| Crate 20 | | <i>Spare folders, etc</i> |
| Crate 21 | | Knitted/crocheted/felted poppy cascade - displayed in St Nicholas Church November 2025 |
| Crate 22 NOT YET NUMBERED | | Homemade plastic poppies - displayed around St Nicholas Church & War Memorial, November 2025 |
| Photo Display Boards | | |
| Board 1 | | 'Cheardesley' survey map 1763. Lord of the Manor Sir Chles Cottrell-Dormer. Development of the Church. |
| Board 2 | | Village trades-people, their premises and refreshment hostelries 1905-1937 |
| Board 3 | | Village cottages from around 1920, including two that were destroyed by weather in 1946/47 & 1986 |
| Board 4 | | Village map 1825-50. Aerial photos 1959 & 1988. Railway 1903-25. Priest's Cottage 1930. Elder Tree Cottage 1932 & 1933 |
| Board 5 | | Photos of village School pupils and staff from 1897 to 1960 |
| Board 6 | | Manor Farm photos: Roadnight family 1892, Farmhouse 1905, Farmhands at work 1912-1955 |
| Board 7 | | Villagers, 1875 - 1933 |
| Board 8 | | Village views, 1907 -c. 1960 |
| Board 9 | | Villagers at war: Boer War, WW1 & WW11 |
| Board 10 | | Villagers at work and play, including the Turner Family 1907, the Robin Hood Band c.1910 and cricket on Lower Green 1925 |
| Board 11 | | Chearsley House 1897 & 1919. Chearsley Hill House and owners Col. Francis Bernard & Sir James Lochore |
| Board 12 | | Villagers, 1895 - 1923 |



Chearsley Village
Historical Society

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| General Local History | |
|---|---|
| 'A History of Buckinghamshire' | Micheal Reed |
| 'Those Were the Days in Buckinghamshirein the forties, fifties and sixties' | Bucks Federation of WI's |
| 'How to Read a Village' | Richard Muir |
| 'Sacred Waters – a cross-cultural compendium of hallowed springs and holy wells' | Edited by Celeste Ray |
| 'Fromelles 1916 – no finer courage, the loss of an English village' | Michael Senior |
| 'The North Marston Story' | The North Marston History Club |
| 'A Midsomer Day Out' | Tony Lang |
| 'Thame in Time' | Bruce Alexander |
| 'Before Domesday – Haddenham and Cuddington' | Bruce Alexander |
| 'The Aylesbury Duck' | Alison Ambrose |
| 'Around Aylesbury – Britain in Photographs' | Robert Cook |
| 'Vale of Aylesbury – in camera' | Clive Birch |
| 'The Prebendal of Aylesbury – A History' | Hugh Hanley |
| 'A Journey through the Chiltern Hills' | Dr Jill Evers & Hayley Watkins |
| 'River Thame – Old Chiltern's Son' | Tony Chaplin |
| 'Word from Wormingford – A Parish Year' | Ronald Blythe |
| Pubs | |
| 'Shakespeare's Local' | Pete Brown |
| 'The Pub – a cultural institution from Country Inns to Craft Beer Bars and Corner Locals' | Pete Brown |
| 'The Local – a history of the English Pub' | Paul Jennings |
| 'The Old Dog and Duck – the secret meanings of pub names' | Albert Jack |
| 'Pocket Book of Craft Beer – a guide to over 300 of the finest beers known to man' | Mark Dredge |
| Videos | |
| Video (1 x CD) | 'Our County at War – The Home Front in Buckinghamshire 1914 – 1918' |
| Videos (3 x VHS) | 'Buckinghamshire in World War Two' |