

# Malpas Gems Submission 1

## 1/ The Victoria Jubilee Hall



David Hayns Book – The Jubilee Hall 1887 – 1987

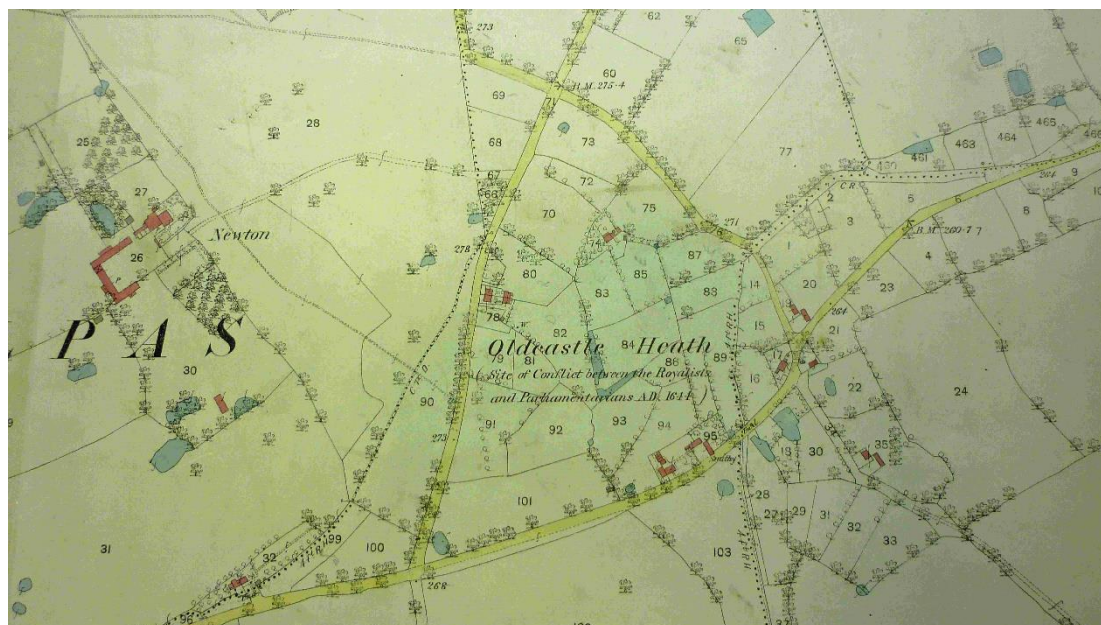
[Malpas Online - THE JUBILEE HALL \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

A public meeting was held on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 1887, in the Malpas Infant School to discuss ways in which Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee could be celebrated.

At a subsequent meeting, the Marquiss of Cholmondeley offered to give the site for the building on High Street, and a committee was appointed to raise the estimated cost of £900.

The Malpas Victoria Jubilee Hall was eventually opened by the Marquiss on 7<sup>th</sup> August 1888.

## 2/ Malpas during the Civil War



David Hayns Book - *Alport, Cholmondeley and Dod for the King*

[Malpas Online - Alport, Cholmondeley and Dod for the King \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

An account of the way in which the Civil Wars of the 17th century affected Malpas and the surrounding area.

This book describes key events such as:

- the use of Saint Oswald's church as a dormitory for Parliamentarian troops from Nantwich
- the plunder by them of the saltworks in Wigland
- the assault on Cholmondeley House
- the hangings at Gallantry Bank, Bickerton
- the Battle of Oldcastle in 1644.

### 3/ Malpas and the Great War



*David Hayns Book – Malpas and the Great War 1914 -1918*

[Malpas Online - MALPAS AND THE GREAT WAR \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

The book tells of the way in which Malpas reacted to the outbreak of war in August 1914, and covers:

- the establishment of a voluntary Red Cross hospital
- the welcome extended to two families of Belgian refugees
- local recruiting for the armed forces and wartime farming
- social life both during and immediately after the war
- the devastation caused by the Spanish influenza epidemic
- the gradual return home of local servicemen
- the dedication of the Malpas war memorial in the churchyard, in 1920.

#### 4/ Richard Alport's Charity Children (i5- c 10748)



*David Hayns Book – Richard Alport's Charity Children*

[Malpas Online - RICHARD ALPORT'S CHARITY CHILDREN \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

Early years education at Malpas Alport Primary school has been carried out in several buildings.

Formal education started back in 1745 when a fund set up by Richard Alport of Overton provided the original building on High Street.

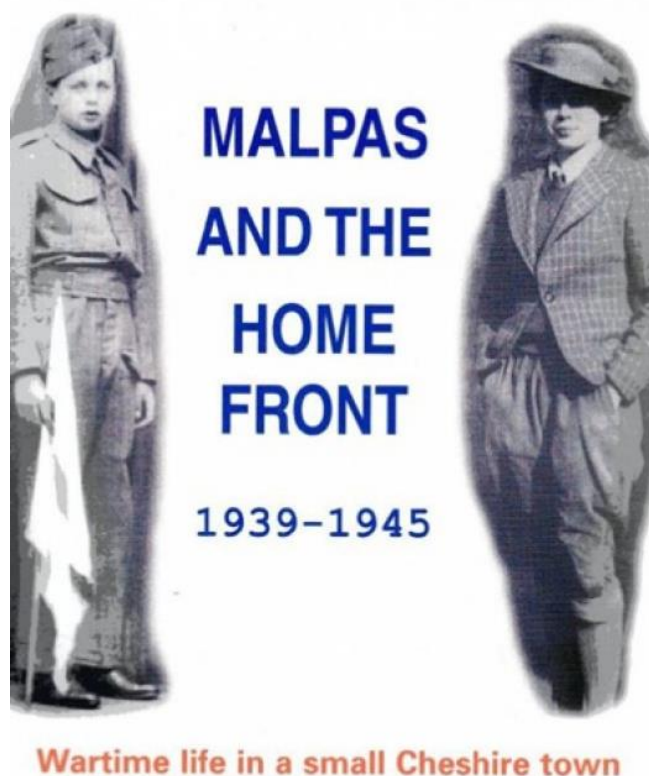
Extensions were added in 1815, and 1833, but all three building are now private residences.

These were followed in 1874 by the building of a second infants' school and 1889 saw the large Joseph Lewis Building opened in its present location on Chester Road. A headmaster's schoolhouse was added in 1895. (Now demolished)



## 5/ Malpas and the Home Front

© Malpas Online



*David Hayns Book – Malpas and the Home Front*

[Malpas Online - Malpas and the Home Front \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

Based on interviews with individuals who lived in Malpas the book covers:

- the effects of the reception and housing of evacuees from Liverpool and London
- wartime farming, including contributions by Women's Land Army and prisoners-of-war
- local fund-raising such as 'Spitfire' and 'Salute the Soldier' weeks
- the Home Guard; Czechs, Poles and Americans on the streets of the town
- the return home of service women and men after the war.
- Details of the nineteen men commemorated on the Malpas war memorial.

## 6/ Malpas: Cheshire's Town in the Marches



*David Hayns Book – Malpas Cheshire's Town in the Marches*

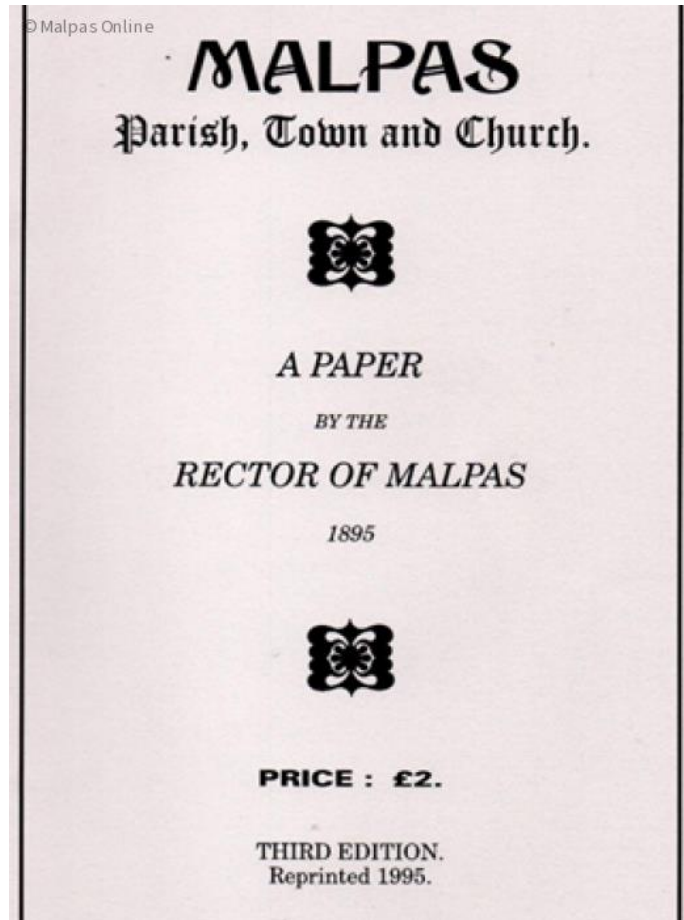
[Malpas Online - Malpas: Cheshire's Town in the Marches \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

A concise and well-illustrated general history of Malpas, written for both residents and visitors

It covers:

- When the Roman road, now Malpas High Street, came down from Hadrian's Wall, through Chester and Whitchurch and on to Kent.
- the Norman invasion of 1066 and the establishment of Malpas as a medieval borough and market town
- the intervening centuries until 2016, when Malpas started to undergo a period of unprecedented housing development.

## 7/ Malpas, Parish, Town and Church

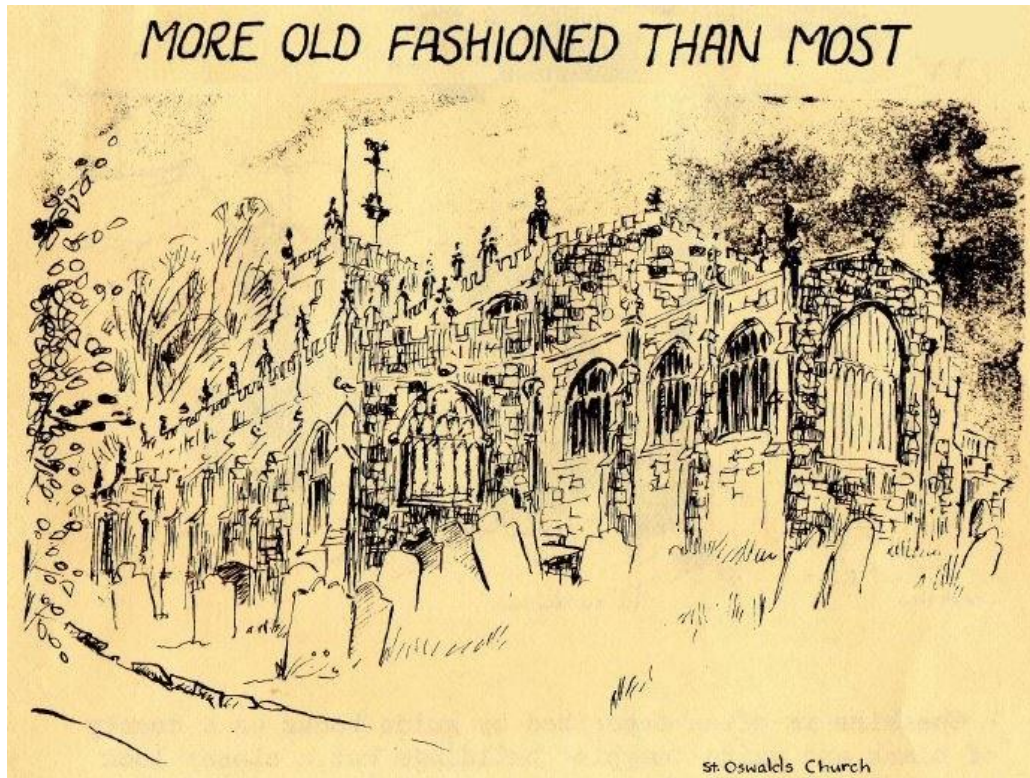


*Paper by the Rector Rev. William Kenyon – Malpas Parish, Town and Church.*

[Malpas Online - Malpas, Parish, Town and Church \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

A 1895 description of the Town, the whole Parish and the secular and ecclesiastical local history by the Reverend William Kenyon (Rector of Malpas). The original paper first published in the Chester Archaeological and Historic Society's Journal, new series volume III of 1890, draws extensively on many historic documents

## 8/ More Old Fashioned than Most



*David Hayns Book – More Old Fashioned than Most*

[Malpas Online - More Old Fashioned than Most \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

Cheshire is often described by guidebooks as a county of black and white “magpie” buildings, but a closer look reveals that the number of these timber framed buildings surviving, whilst distinctive is comparatively small.

This short guide looking at Buildings in Malpas (1980) will prove that it is certainly not slender in antiquarian interest!

"The town has remained old fashioned for longer than most though today apart from the Church, its antiquarian interests are of the slenderest." (Fred Crossley – "Malpas Church" 1936)



## 9/ Poet and Parish Priest



*David Hayns Book – Poet and Parish Priest*

[Malpas Online - Poet and Parish Priest \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

An account of Reginald Heber's (Bishop of Calcutta) life in Malpas and Hodnet.

On 21<sup>st</sup> April 1783 his father wrote to his sister in London

“I take the very first opportunity of acquainting my dear friends that my dear Mary was, a little after three this morning, safely delivered of a fine lad. I thank God she and the little Bab are both as well as can be expected. He is as fat as a little mole, and they say looks very well.”

Picture is of the stained-glass window in St Oswald’s Church

## 10/ Brereton Chapel



In Search of my Ancestors - A Collection of Brereton Family Histories by Faye Brereton-Goodwin

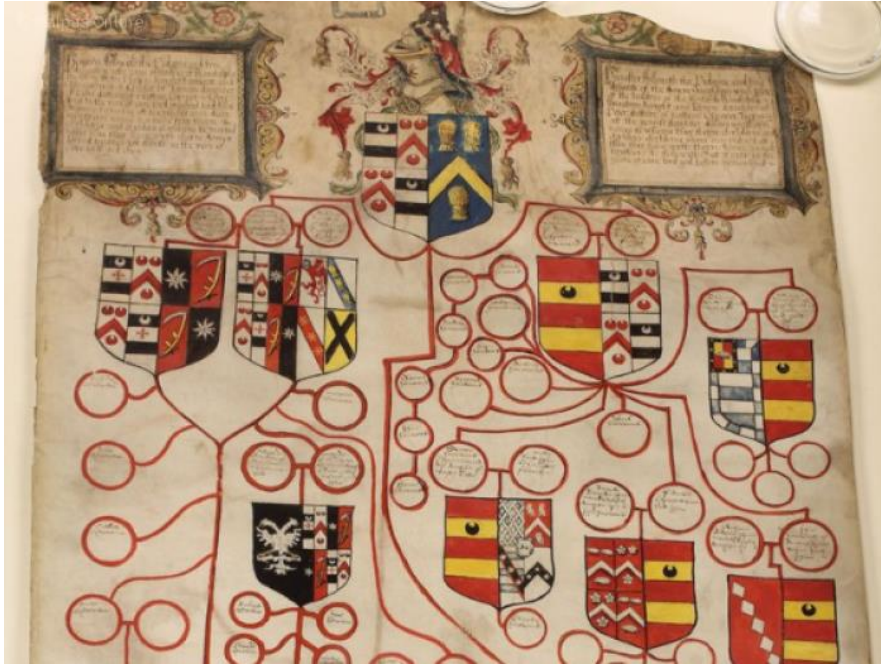
[Breretons of Malpas – Brereton Family History \(breretonhistory.ca\)](http://breretonhistory.ca)

The history of the Malpas Breretons, begins with Randolphus de Brereton (born in the 12 century) who married Cecile St. George and continued through the generations to the 19th century including the Welsh family of Borasham, the Cheshire Breretons, and the Malpas Breretons.

A tomb dedicated to Sir Randolph Brereton and his wife Lady Eleanor is situated in Brereton's Chapel in St Oswald's Church at Malpas.

11/ Item vacant

## 12/ Breretons of Malpas Pedigree Role



*William Brereton, beheaded, accused of adultery with Anne Boleyn (papers in Crown Archives)*

<https://www.hslc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/123-2-lves.pdf>

During the reign of King Henry VIII, William Brereton was lord of the manor of Malpas.

He was a powerful man in Cheshire, which at that time was governed as a separate entity from the rest of England.

It is recorded that he could ride from Malpas to Chester on his own land.

A power struggle was taking place around King Henry between factions that supported Henry's second wife Ann Boleyn and those that supported his third wife Jane Seymour

On 10<sup>th</sup> May 1536 William was arrested along with six other high-ranking individuals close to King Henry.

Subsequently William died under the executioner's axe on 17<sup>th</sup> May 1536 for the high treason of adultery with Anne Boleyn.

All his property, including his papers, became the possession of the Crown.

His successors are the Cholmondeley's who still own Cholmondeley Castle and land in Norfolk



## 13/ Castle Hill Motte



[Malpas Online | Castle Hill Motte - Recent History \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

Malpas Castle was built, probably in the early 12<sup>th</sup> Century, for the Barons of Malpas. It was part of a series of defences along the Welsh border and was linked with Aldford, Oldcastle and Shocklach castles.

The motte survives to 3.7 metres (12 ft) in height and is 37 m (40 yd) in diameter and is surrounded by a ditch.

Over the more recent centuries, the Motte has been used for a number of purposes, including celebration dances, a meeting place for the Malpas Friendly societies, a ladies bowling green, and the Town Reservoir.

## 14/ Friendly Societies



[Malpas Online - Malpas Friendly Society \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

A friendly society is composed of a body of people who join for a common financial or social purpose. e.g. for the purposes of insurance, pensions, savings or cooperative banking.

At the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century Malpas had two Friendly Societies one being the Rose Club (founded in 1824) and the other being The Oddfellows, which is still an active organisation today.

Both held an annual feasts which consisted of a parade through the Town led by Malpas Town Band.

The parade usually went to the Castle Hill where the feast was held followed by dancing.

## 15/Cholmondeley Castle Malpas



Situated in South Cheshire, Cholmondeley Castle is a Grade II listed country house in the form of a crenelated castle with formal gardens and surrounded by parkland.

It has been a seat of the Cholmondeley family since the 12th century.

The present form designed by George Cholmondeley, 1st Marquess of Cholmondeley and extended to designs by Robert Smirke dates from the start of the 19th century.

The Gardens and grounds only, are open to the public; the Castle being a private residence.

Opening times 10am-5pm (last entry 4pm)

Monday Bank Holidays

Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday

Closed Tuesday Friday & Saturday

## 16/ Local Rural Races



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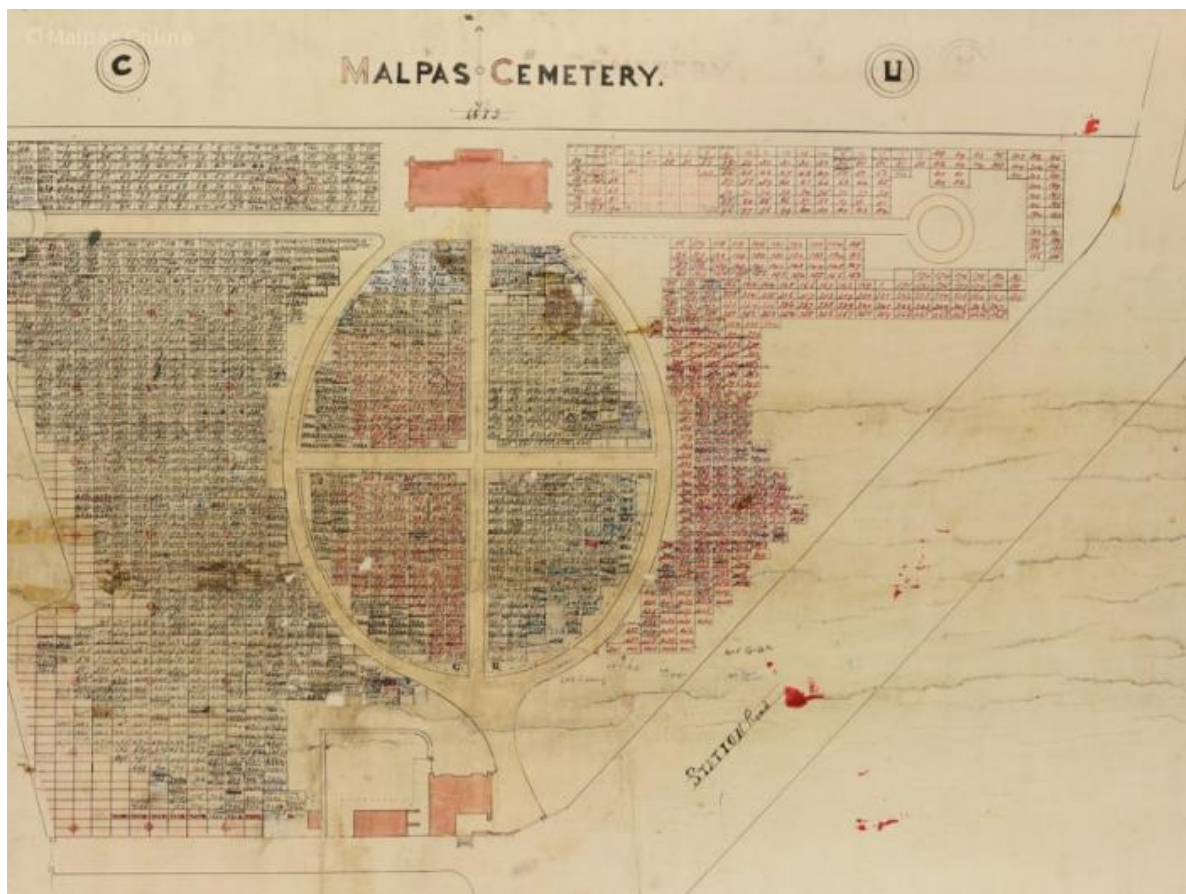
### Overton Heath

Until around 60 years ago point-to-point steeplechases were still hosted by the Barnett family at Overton Hall, just outside Malpas.

They were organised by the Wynnstay Hunt, and presided over by the joint Master Sir Watkin Wynn, whose photo appears in a Cheshire Life article about the event, published in May 1962.



## 17/ Malpas Cemetery



[Malpas Online Malpas Cemetery - A brief History \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

Malpas Cemetery dates back to 1873 when the St Oswald's Churchyard was almost full.

2 ½ acres was purchased from the Marquis of Cholmondeley for £250 and the Malpas Joint Burial Board formed to represent the parishes of Bickley, Bradley, Hampton, Macfen, Malpas, Overton, Tushingham, Wigland and Wychough.

The committee borrowed just over £1,500 to pay for the land and building the lodge and the chapel of rest from the Government's "Public Works and Commerce Fund".

## 18/ Malpas Fairs

Picture / item relating to the Edward I - Fairs & Markets



[Malpas Online - Malpas Fairs \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

In 1281 King Edward I granted a charter to "Philip Burnel and to Isabel, his wife that they and their heirs shall have for ever a weekly market on Mondays at their manor of Maupus... and a fair in the same place to last for three days each year."

The fairs, mainly for buying and selling of livestock, lasted until the late 1800s, although the weekly markets ceased to operate around the middle of the 19th Century.

## 19/ Malpas Wesleyan Chapel



George and Nesy Worth standing on the spot where they were married 60 years previously amid the last remnants of the former Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, that originally opened in 1875. It eventually closed for worship in 1969 and was demolished in 1985.

Pictured are.

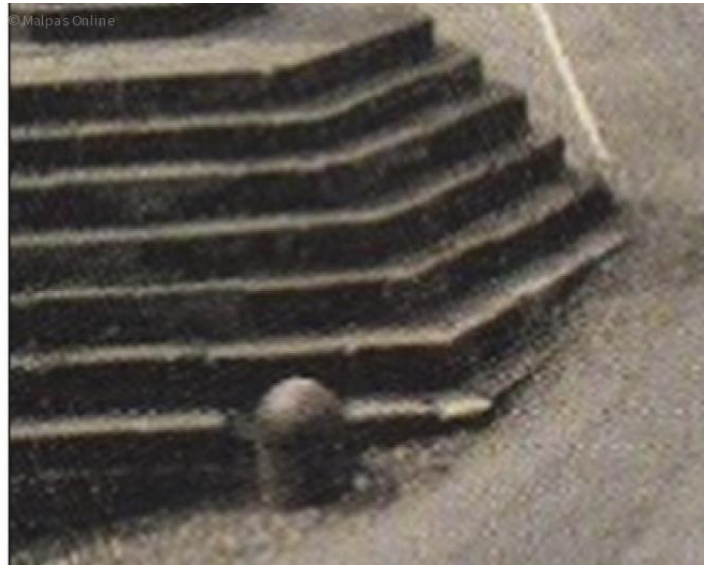
Four terraced homes and a block of garages know as Chapel Rise now exist on the site.

The garages are a conversion of the original stables, built for the horses of visiting preachers and worshippers travelling from a distance.

[1935-1968: register of marriages](#)



## 20/ Malpas Water Supply



[Malpas Online | Malpas Water Supply \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

Sitting on top of a hill, Malpas was not best placed for a water supply. But there were several wells and by the 18<sup>th</sup> century some of them had been fitted with hand pumps.

In 1737 Thomas Parbutt was paid two shillings (10p) by the Malpas Highway Surveyor 'for cleansing the well' and in 1765 Joseph Vaughan was paid half a crown (12.5p) 'for mending ye town pump, which was situated in Well Meadow



The steel dome by the cross was part of the town water supply and containing a valve on the line of the piped water to the reservoir situated under Castle Hill



## 21/ Malpas Alms Houses



[Malpas Online - FIVE HUNDRED YEARS OF AFFORDABLE AND SOCIAL HOUSING IN MALPAS \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

Sir Randle Brereton, who died in 1530, founded alms houses, originally for poor elderly men.

They were replaced, and possibly moved to the present site now known as Cholmondeley Terrace, in Church Street.

Although the alms houses were rent free, the almsmen did have to say prayers daily for the souls of Sir Randle and other deceased members of the Brereton family.

These prayers were intended to lift the souls of the deceased out of the limbo state known as 'purgatory', into the higher realms above.

[1857-2017: records incl minutes](#)

### **Poor Houses, Poor Law**

- Wrexham (1837-53)
- Whitchurch (1853-1930)

## 22/ Climate Change



Storms associated with Climate Change are perhaps nothing new.

On 26th June 1895, there was a tremendous thunderstorm which washed away the pavements in the High Street.

It may have been that this particular storm was also responsible for road surface on Church Street also being washed away, and during subsequent repairs the road level was raised, (Sunken pavement exists) and a set of steps were installed alongside the Cross.

## 23/ Malpas Fire Service

*Approach Mark Spennati for detail*



Pictured from left to right

Geoff Hodgkinson, Ian Scofield, Ray Crump, Ronnie Bradley, Derek Roberts, Terry Rich, Mark Spennati, George Roberts Junior, George Roberts Senior

Malpas Fire Brigade members pictured outside the 1934 building on High Street.

In 1936 Tarvin RDC had taken over control of the Malpas Fire Brigade from the former Malpas RDC.

the Fire Services (Emergency Provisions) Act of 1941 brought all fire brigades into the new National Fire Service.

This continued to be the case until 1947 when the National Fire Service was dissolved, and Malpas Fire Brigade was incorporated into the new Cheshire County Council Fire Brigade.

## 24/ The Gas Works



1947 Aerial photography of Malpas showing the gas works off Well Street.

The buildings in the centre of the picture contained the coal burning retorts and produced the coke and gas tar which was then sold on to the public.

In addition, the spent coal known as coke was sold to residents to supplement their coal stocks.



## 25/ Belgium Refugees



Belgium flags on High Street welcome refugees.

Following Germany's invasion of Belgium in August 1914 around 100,000 Belgians fled to Britain, of which 600 to 700 came to Cheshire.

A hastily formed Malpas committee agreed to house two Belgian families and Mr Greenshields offered the use of 'Hilbre' a bungalow on Tilston Road, as accommodation for one of them.

The head of that family was William Grunfeld.

The other Belgian family was offered accommodation in one of the Malpas Rural District Council properties at Sunnyside.

26/ King George V's Coronation Day (i9 - c 10722)



## 27/ Past Public Houses

40	MALPAS					MALPAS				41
<p>Thomas Shone<sup>(15)</sup> 1768-84</p> <p>Richard Parker<sup>(16)</sup> 1768-84</p> <p>Hugh Yardley 1768</p> <p>John H(e)ighway<sup>(17)</sup> 1769-87</p> <p>John Lowe 1768-84</p> <p>Elizabeth Lowe 1786-87</p>	<p>William Povah 1769-70</p> <p>Mary Povah 1771-87</p> <p>Richard Garner 1769-72</p> <p>John Cartwright 1777</p> <p>David Probert 1784-87</p>				<p>Samuel Ellis 1769-87 &amp; 1819-28</p> <p>Joseph Ellis 1834-51</p> <p>John Ellis 1856-57</p>					
<p><b>• Angel</b></p> <p>This former public house stands next to the <i>Old Vaults</i>, now the business premises of W. B. Bradbury &amp; Son. It was owned by the Marquis of Cholmondeley, and closed sometime after 1874. Its known licensees were:</p>	<i>Church Street</i>									
<p>Thomas Lee 1819-56</p> <p>Elizabeth Lee 1860-74</p>										
<p><b>• Crown</b></p> <p>In 1838 the <i>Crown</i> was the property of Thomas Shaw, its landlord. By 1891 it had been sold to the Farndon Brewery, and by 1903 it had been taken over by Bents Brewery. Its licensees have been:</p>	<i>Old Hall Street</i>									
<p>Joseph Reeves* 1774-87</p> <p>Thomas Reeves 1819</p> <p>Jane Reeves 1822-23</p> <p>Thomas Lewis 1824</p> <p>Thomas Shaw 1825-56</p> <p>Charles Price 1857</p> <p>Samuel Heath 1860-61</p> <p>Mary Heath 1864-65</p> <p>Samuel Moleson<sup>(18)</sup> 1869</p> <p>James White<sup>(19)</sup> 1870-83</p> <p>James Evans 1888</p> <p>Edward Butler 1890-96</p> <p>Samuel Bradley 1902-03</p> <p>Albert Little 1906</p> <p>Frederick Cartwright 1910</p> <p>Francis Cartwright 1914</p> <p>Mary Madeley<sup>(20)</sup> 1923</p> <p>Ada Bradley 1928-39</p> <p>Cyril Bradley 1950-52</p> <p>Josephine Coutts 1952-54</p>	<p>Marjorie Jessup 1954-56</p> <p>Kenneth White 1956-57</p> <p>George Kirby 1957</p> <p>Arthur Deakin 1957-63</p> <p>Lynne Roberts 1963</p> <p>Doris Jones 1963-65</p> <p>Florence Hewlett 1965-66</p> <p>Florence Burgess 1966-67</p> <p>Florence Gill-Smith 1967-68</p> <p>Kenneth Ambrose 1968</p> <p>Elizabeth Williams 1968</p> <p>Brian Goldthorpe* 1976-80</p> <p>David Turner 1981-83</p> <p>Pauline Kirkbright 1983-85</p> <p>Robert Burns 1985-88</p> <p>Norman Sandiford 1988</p> <p>B. P. Ouchterlony 1988-89</p> <p>Rhiannon Jones 1989-90</p> <p>Robert Jones 1990</p> <p>Roy Lawton 1990</p>									
<p><b>• Griffin</b></p> <p>The house is now <i>Church View</i>, and was very likely an alehouse in the 17th century. There is no evidence for the inn after 1857. If the Samuel Ellis of the 18th century is same person as the landlord of the 19th century, his tenancy lasted for at least 59 years. The Malpas parish registers record the burial of a Samuel, son of Samuel Ellis in 1801; but do not state his age.</p>	<i>Church Street</i>									
					<p><b>• New Inn</b></p> <p>This was a beerhouse, probably in Windmill Street, which became the <i>New Inn</i> in 1888. Samuel Bradley also operated a coal business. The property was owned first by the Farndon Brewery Co., and later by Bents Brewery. On the death of Henry Richards in 1905, the licensing magistrates compulsorily closed the beerhouse on the grounds that 'the character of the place did not necessitate the licence'. Bents were awarded £400. Its licensees were:</p>				<i>? Windmill Street</i>	
					<p>Richard Jones* 1844</p> <p>Mary Heath 1874</p> <p>Mary Calcott 1878</p> <p>Samuel Bradley 1888-96</p> <p>... Loveday 1899</p> <p>Henry Richards 1899-1905</p>					
					<p><b>• Old Vaults</b></p> <p>Like the <i>Wycern</i> this former wine and spirits business, known in the 19th century as the <i>Spirit Vaults</i>, was the property of the Drake family. Until 1949 it only had a six-day (full) licence. The writer suspects that the premises were built on the initiative of Richard Battarbee sometime in the 1840s. Its licensees have been:</p>				<i>Church Street</i>	
					<p>Thomas Vaughan 1834</p> <p>Richard Battarbee 1848-74</p> <p>Frederick Battarbee 1881-1923</p> <p>Bernard Battarbee 1928-50</p> <p>Wilfred Chamberlain 1950-52</p> <p>Charles Scott 1952-55</p> <p>Henry King 1955-56</p> <p>Bridget King/Wainwright 1956-65</p> <p>John Trefing 1965-80</p> <p>Frederick Blakeley 1981-83</p> <p>Arthur Marsh 1983+</p>					
					<p><b>• Plough</b></p> <p>George Johnson kept this otherwise-unknown alehouse during the years 1819-23.</p>				<i>location unknown</i>	
					<p><b>• Red Lion</b></p> <p>The 1839 Title Award gives Roger Dutton as the owner of the <i>Red Lion</i>; and by 1891 it was the property of the Northgate Brewery Co. In the middle of the last century it was at times referred to simply as the <i>Lion</i>. In 1856 it also functioned as the Post Office. The oldest surviving public house in Malpas, the present <i>Red Lion</i> was substantially rebuilt in 1920. Its licensees have been:</p>				<i>Old Hall Street</i>	
					<p>Ann Shaw 1819-23</p> <p>James Peach 1825-44</p> <p>John Taylor 1848-50</p> <p>Charles Price 1851-56</p> <p>James Kay 1857-61</p> <p>John Bostock 1864-65</p> <p>Charles Hope 1869-78</p> <p>James Beckett 1881-83</p> <p>James Kinsey 1888</p> <p>Frank Foster 1890-96</p> <p>Sarah Foster 1902-03</p> <p>Samuel Bradley 1906-14</p> <p>Frederick Hanley 1923-34</p> <p>S. A. Hollingsworth 1939</p> <p>Richard Towers* 1945-48</p> <p>Sylvia Towers 1950-76</p> <p>Richard Martin* 1978</p> <p>Sheila Lever 1979+</p>					

[Malpas Online | Past Public Houses in Malpas \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

Extract from a list of Public Houses and Inns in Malpas published in 1992

## 28/ The Cross



[Malpas Online - The Cross \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

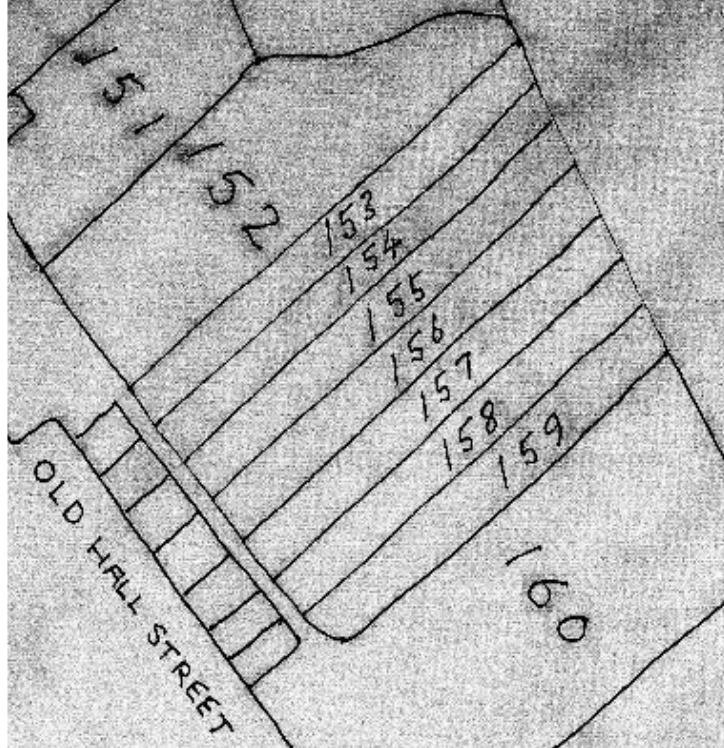
Did you know that once upon a time the road ran either side of the Cross?

In antiquity, the area around the Cross was where the Malpas village fairs and markets were held.

An early picture looking up Church Street gives a view of an earlier Cross.



## 29/ Development on Old Hall Street



An extract from the 1836 – 1841 Tithe Maps illustrates that Old Hall Street was the site of seven paupers' cottages, built around 1789, which in 1851 seem to have accommodated eleven families ranging in size from one to eight persons.

One of the cottages was also a lodging house accommodating a family of three plus five lodgers.

The cottages were demolished at some time between 1869 and 1874, and a smithy was built on the site by Alfred Furber. (See also Malpas Gem number 32.)

### 30/ Houses for the poor of Malpas Township

#### FROM MALPAS TITHE MAP & APPORTIONMENT (1841)

#### DWELLINGS AND YARDS IN LEASE TO TOWNSHIP OF MALPAS

151	GEORGE PACE	156	HENRY GRIFFITHS
152	JOHN WILLIAMS	157	THOMAS WHITE
153	JOSEPH HOUGH	158	JOHN THELWELL
154	MARY BARLOW	159	JAMES BARLOW
155	GEORGE WILLIAMS	160	ELIZABETH DODD

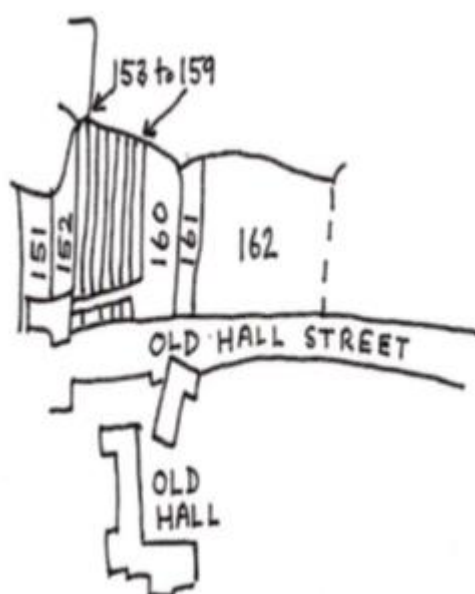
#### CHOLMONDELEY PROPERTIES

161	HUGH CHESTERS (‘Mudhole’)
162	HUGH CHESTERS (‘Orchard’)

Extract from Malpas Parish Magazine March 1869

*“It appears that eleven cottages and three plots of land on Old Hall Street, were leased to the township of Malpas, in the year 1789, for three lives, the last survivor being Mr Gardener, who emigrated to America, and died there three years ago...*

*When the lease was granted, there were no workhouses, and these properties was leased to provided houses for the poor of the township.”*



### 31/ Sanitation on Old Hall Street



An 1871 Report of Government Sanitary Inspector on the properties on Old Hall Street stated

*...the houses in Old Hall Street get rid of their sewage chiefly by gutters into a pool situated barely 50 yards from the rear.*

*This sewage pool is intended to irrigate the meadow in which it is situate, but this appears to have failed...*

A meeting of the Church Wardens was subsequently held in the Vestry room to “take into consideration the amount of dilapidations charged on the houses on Old Hall Street, that are now out of lease through the death of Mr Gardner from America.”

## 32/ The Village Blacksmith



[Malpas Online | The Village Blacksmith \(malpascheshire.org\)](http://malpascheshire.org)

There were two smithies recorded on the 1836 – 1841 Tithes Maps for Malpas. One was situated on the corner of Well Street and Well Avenue. The other one was on Cross o' th' Hill Road where the residential dwelling of The Oaks now exists.

A new Smithy was built on Old Hall Street following the demolition of 10 small cottages.

The Smithy was run by Lloyd Furber in the early 1900's and eventually was converted into a service garage with petrol pumps by his son Harold Furber; this to take advantage of the growing Motor trade. Later his two sons Jack and Eric took over the business.



### 33/ Malpas Garage



The site on Old Hall Street was previously occupied by Malpas Smithy's which was run by Lloyd Furber in early 1900.

To take advantage of the growing Motor trade, it was converted by his son Harold Furber into a service garage with petrol pumps  
Sometime between 1928 and 1939 the business became known as Smithy Garage (Tel. No. Malpas 65).

The garage closed in the early 21st century and was eventually bought by the Malpas Co-operative Society, which completely cleared the site and built a new store there in early 2021.

### 34/ The Co-Op Convenience Store



The Malpas Co-operative store now occupies a site on Old Hall Street, which has seen development dating back to the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century when the site first accommodated seven paupers' cottages.

Previous usage of the site has also included a smithy and a garage.

In 2021 the disused garage was cleared to make way for the new Co-Op store which was relocated from the High Street to increase the quantity and scope of the products being sought by the increasing local population.