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Sources for CHESWARDINE

This guide gives a brief introduction to the variety of sources available for the parish of Cheswardine at Shropshire Archives.

Printed sources:.

General works - These may also be available at Market Drayton library

- Eyton, *Antiquities of Shropshire*
- *Transactions of the Shropshire Archaeological Society*
- *Shropshire Magazine*
- Trade Directories which give a history of the town, main occupants and businesses, 1828-1941
- Victoria County History of Shropshire
- Parish Packs
- Monumental Inscriptions

Small selection of more specific texts (search www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for a more comprehensive list)

- **q HC66.9** A pictorial heritage
- **J64 Reading Room** An historical survey of the parish of Cheswardine – *R Donaldson-Hudson*
- **JC64 Reading Room** Country Reflections around Cheswardine – *B Lazarus*



Sources on microfiche or film:

Parish and non-conformist church registers

	Baptisms	Marriages / Banns	Burials
St Swithin Church	1558-1966	1558-1977 / 1754-1812 & 1823-1884	1558-1982
Methodist records can be accessed with a readers ticket as part of the Market Drayton Methodist and later Whitchurch Circuit Records			

Up to 1900, registers are on www.findmypast.co.uk

Census returns

1841, 1851(indexed), 1861, 1871, 1881, 1891, 1901 and 1911

Census returns for the whole country can be looked at on the Ancestry website on the computers

Maps

Ordnance Survey maps 25" to the mile and 6 "to the mile, c1880, c1901

(OS reference: old series XVI.16; new series SJ7729)

Tithe map of c 1840 and apportionment (list of owners/occupiers)

Newspapers

Shrewsbury Chronicle, 1772 onwards (NB from 1950 as originals only – Reader's Ticket required)

Shropshire Star, 1964 onwards

Archives:

To see these sources you need a Shropshire Archives Reader's Ticket.

Cheswardine Parish Records (P58) – see www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for a catalogue

School Records

ED1564/53-57 – Architects plans of school and masters house plus block plan 19th century

ED2699/38/5 – Manager's returns under 1902 Education Act

Official records

Drayton Poor Law Union (PL7) - see www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for a catalogue

Quarter Sessions Records (Q) - see www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for a catalogue

Market Drayton Rural District Authority (DA20) – see www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for a catalogue. *Held off site, please order in advance.*

Estate/manorial records

SC/26/8 Sales catalogue for Cheswardine Estate 1948

6315 Estate Plan of Earl of Shrewsbury's Property in Cheswardine

MI6591 Cheswardine Deeds

See www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr for manorial records (many aren't held here)

Other records

Wills for Shropshire post 1858

Photographs and Postcards

And much much more!

These are examples of a few of the sources available. For more information please visit our website or contact us:

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