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Sources for HOPESAY

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

Printed sources:.

General works - These may also be available at Craven Arms or Bishops Castle 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)

- **T39.4 v.f.** A few notes concerning the Arbor Tree – *Tom Beardsley*
- **C61 Reading Room** The rural deanery of Clun in the seventeenth century – *W G Clark-Maxwell in Transactions of the Shropshire Archaeological Society 3rd series, Vol IX 1909, pp309-346*
- **TK61 v.f.** Historical and Archaeological Assessment, Hopesay churchyard – *Caroline Earwood*



St Mary's Church, Hopesay ref 6009/108

Sources on microfiche or film:

Parish and non-conformist church registers

	Baptisms	Marriages / Banns	Burials
St Mary's church	1678-1931	1678-1953 / 1754-1812 & 1823-1931	1678-1897
Methodist records - see Methodist Circuit Records (Reader's Ticket needed)			

Census returns

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

Census returns for the whole country to 1911 can be looked at on the Ancestry website

Maps

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

(OS reference: old series LXX.2 new series SO 3982

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.

see www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for many of the catalogues

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School Records - See www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for catalogue

Hopesay and Sibdon Carwood Church of England School:

ED1564/142-145 Plans for the school 19th century

ED2699/39/33 Manager's returns

Records of Local Authorities and Institutions

PL6 Clun Union Workhouse records

DA 19 Clun Rural District Council records (later DA 31Clun and Bishop's Castle Rural District Council) *NB records held off site so need to be requested in advance.*

Q Quarter Sessions

5414 Hopesay WI

Estate records

2589/G/1-28 Willis Collection – deeds relating to Edgton and Hopesay

7867/2 Booklet 'Beddoes connection in Hopesay'

3878 Deeds of Broome Farm – see McCartney and Morris list ('M' binder)

Other records

Wills for Shropshire post 1858 (pre 1858 – see Hereford Diocesan Record Office)

Photographs and Postcards

And much much more!

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