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## Sources for LINLEY

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

### Printed sources:

**General works** - These may also be available at Bridgnorth 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 – vol. X
- Parish Packs
- Monumental Inscriptions

**Small selection of more specific texts** (search [www.shropshirearchives.org.uk](http://www.shropshirearchives.org.uk) for a more comprehensive list)

- **M64** Broseley and its surroundings: being a complete history of Broseley, Willey, Barrow, Benthall and Linley with notices of remarkable events, facts, phenomena and manufactures – *John Randall*
- **M64** A short account of the parish of Linley – *R F Sawyer*



*This watercolour was painted by Rev. Williams on 7th September 1789. According to Pevsner, in his book about the buildings of Shropshire, this church remains an almost complete example of a Norman (1066-1154) church. It is dedicated to St. Leonard. 6009/127*

## Sources on microfiche or film:

### Parish and non-conformist church registers

	Baptisms	Marriages / Banns	Burials
St Leonard's church	1859-1958	1860-2005	None
Methodist records - see Methodist Circuit Records (Reader's Ticket needed)			

Up to 1900, registers are on [www.findmypast.co.uk](http://www.findmypast.co.uk)

### 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 L.9 new series SO 3592

Field name map based on 1639 estate map

### 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.**

Many catalogues now online at [www.shropshirearchives.org.uk](http://www.shropshirearchives.org.uk)

### P162 Linley parish records

**School Records** – No records available (one mention with parish records)

### Records of Local Authorities and Institutions

PL10 Madeley Union Workhouse records

WB and DA6 Wenlock Borough – *some records held off site, please request in advance.*

### Estate records

D3651/B/42 – More of Linley Hall 1821-1824 within Salt Solicitors Collection

1037 and 9071/A The More Collection 1280-1940

See also [www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr) for manorial records

### 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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