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## Sources for NORTON IN HALES

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

### Printed books:.

**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 books** (search [www.shropshirearchives.org.uk](http://www.shropshirearchives.org.uk) for a more comprehensive list)

- **J64** A history of Market Drayton with some account of Ashley Betton, Norton, Cheswardine and other villages – *J R Lee*
- **J66.9 Reading Room** Market Drayton and Norton in Hales: a portrait in old picture postcards – *B & D Morris*
- **B GILL** Dear Mam and Dad; a personal memoir of wartime evacuees in Shropshire, a glimpse of rural England as it used to be – *Gill Edward*



field name map

## Sources on microfiche or film:

### Parish and non-conformist church registers

	Baptisms	Marriages / Banns	Burials
St Chad's church	1573-1970	1573-1978 / 1754-1812 & 1824-1990	1573-1955
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 (searchable database on CDROM), 1891 and 1901.  
Census returns for England and Wales, 1841-1911 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 IX.7 new series SJ7035)  
Tithe map of c 1840 and apportionment (list of owners/occupiers)

### Newspapers

*Shrewsbury Chronicle*, 1772 onwards  
*Shropshire Star*, 1964 onwards

## Archives:

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

You can search many of the catalogues online at:

[www.shropshirearchives.org.uk](http://www.shropshirearchives.org.uk)

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#### School Records

ED2699/41/33 – Manager's Minutes  
ED6445/1/1-3/1 – Summary registers (data protection applies so *please check with staff*)

#### Records of Local Authorities and Institutions

PL7 Drayton Union Workhouse records  
Q Quarter Sessions  
DA20 Drayton Rural District Council (*records held offsite, please request in advance*)

#### Estate records

2019/1-7 – Deeds of the Oakley family (copies)  
327 Corbet of Adderley estate records  
See [www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr) for manorial records

#### Other records

Wills for Shropshire post 1858 (pre 1858 – see Lichfield Diocesan Record Office)  
Photographs and Postcards  
And much much more!

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