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Sources for PONTESBURY

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

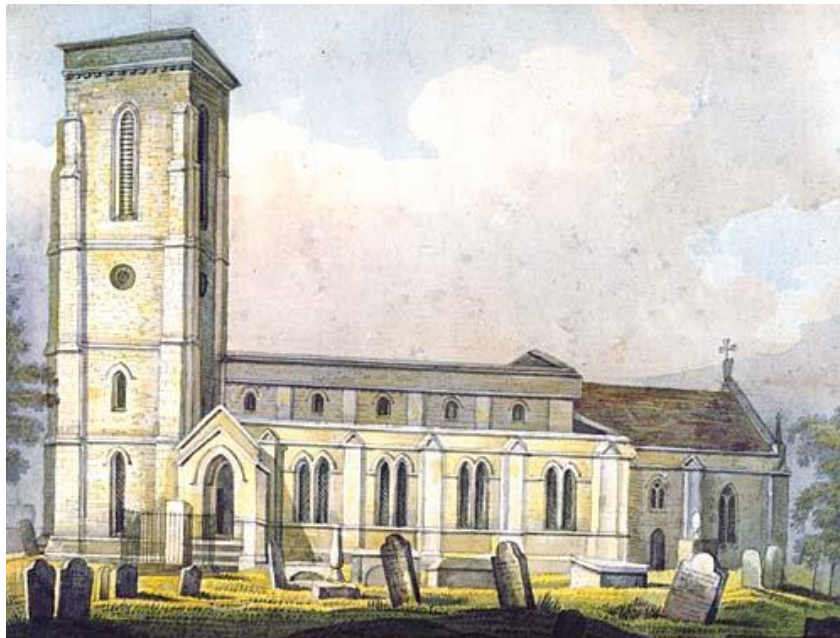
Printed books:.

General works - These may also be available at Shrewsbury 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. VIII
- Parish Packs
- Monumental Inscriptions

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

- **ED64** Pontesbury remembered – *Jill Hollands*
- **ED64 v.f.** Pontesbury – *R A Rowson*
- **ED64 v.f.** Old village characters of Pontesbury and more childhood memories – *E Challinor*



St George's church 6009/158

Sources on microfiche or film:

Parish and non-conformist church registers

	Baptisms	Marriages / Banns	Burials
St George's church	1538-1879 1886-1974 Asterley 1927-1990 Lea Cross 1879-2012	1538-1997 / 1754-1776 and 1791-1924	1538-1984
Baptist Chapel	1828-1836 Transcribed	None	1828-1836 Deaths
Methodist registers— see Methodist Circuit records (Reader's Ticket needed)			

Up to 1900, registers are on 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 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 XL.XI new series SJ 4006)
Tithe map of c 1840 and apportionment (list of owners/occupiers)
Land Valuation map, 1910

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

P220 Pontesbury Parish Records, including large amount of poor relief pre 1834

School Records

ED1564/245-249 – Various plans of school
ED2699/42/5 – Manager's Returns
Lea Cross School ED5557/1-5 – Log books, Admissions Register 18885-1969

Records of Local Authorities and Institutions

PL1 Atcham Union Workhouse records
Q Quarter Sessions
DA16 Atcham Rural District Council *records held offsite – please request in advance*

Estate records – Formerly owned by Cholmondeley, Jones and Warter families

8069/1 – Plan of Estate of Thomas Harries Esq. including part of Pontesbury
665 Eyton Collection
See 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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