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Sources for RUYTON XI TOWNS

This guide gives a brief introduction to the variety of sources available for the parish of **Ruyton XI Towns** 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
- Parish Packs
- Monumental Inscriptions

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

- **C61 Reading Room** Ruyton of the Eleven Towns – *In Transactions of the Shropshire Archaeological Society, 1st series, volume IX, 1886, pp244-246*
- **FR64 Reading Room** Ruyton XI Towns: Unusual name, unusual history – *Yoland Brown*
- **q FR66.9** Ruyton XI Towns: 75 years of change – *Jennifer M Baker*



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Sources on microfiche or film:

Parish and non-conformist church registers

| | Baptisms | Marriages / Banns | Burials |
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| St John the Baptist | 1719 -1905 | 1719-1961 / 1754-1812 & 1926-1980 | 1719-1974 |
| Methodist registers – see Methodist Circuit (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 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 XXVII.2 new series SJ 3622)
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

School Records

ED2699/42/20 – Manager's Returns

Records of Local Authorities and Institutions

PL12 Oswestry Union Workhouse
DA24 and DA24 Oswestry Rural District Council (records held offsite, please request in advance)
Q Quarter Sessions

Estate records

6000 Manorial and Probate records within Shrewsbury Borough Library Collection
5732 Map of estate at Wikey 1838
3297/1 Deeds and documents relating to Manor of Ruyton X1 Towns 1872-1911
1984/1 Collection of Mr Winder
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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