

Sources for SMETHCOTT

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

Printed books:

General works - These may also be available at Church Stretton library (search www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for a more comprehensive list)

- 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



John Phillips apprenticeship indenture from Smethcott, P263/L/6/1/18

Sources on microfiche or film:

Parish and non-conformist church registers

| | Baptisms | Marriages / Banns | Burials |
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| St Michael's church | 1609-1997 | 1609-1995 / 1754-1811 | 1609-1997 |
| 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 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 XLIX.9 new series SO4399)
Tithe map of c 1840 and apportionment (list of owners/occupiers)

Newspapers

Shrewsbury Chronicle, 1772 onwards
Shropshire Star, 1964 onwards

Archives:

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School Records

ED1428/6-9 – Log books and Admissions registers 1869-1963
ED2699/42/32 – Manager's returns
These records are subject to data protection, please ask staff

Records of Local Authorities and Institutions

PL4 Church Stretton Union Workhouse records
DA16 and Da18 Atcham and Church Stretton Rural District Council *held offsite, please request in advance*
Q Quarter Sessions

Estate records

1309 Netley Hall (Hope-Edwardes) estate records
2922/10-19 Dudmaston (Labouchere) estate records relating to Pope family and the Smethcote estate
3614 Haslewood records, including sections relating to Pope family holdings

See 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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