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Sources for STOKESAY/CRAVEN ARMS

This guide gives a brief introduction to the variety of sources available for the parish of **Stokesay/Craven Arms** at Shropshire Archives.

Printed sources:

General works - These may also be available at Craven Arms 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 texts (search www.shropshirearchives.org.uk for a more comprehensive list)

- **QS64 v.f.** *The Story of Craven Arms: a history and guide to one of South Shropshire's more unusual towns*
- **QS36.2 v.f.** *Memories from the war years: personal experiences of war time* by some members of Craven Arms Women's Institute 1945-1995
- **QS64 v.f.** *Craven Arms and District* – George Evans



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Sources on microfiche or film:

Parish and non-conformist church registers

	Baptisms	Marriages / Banns	Burials
St John's Parish Church	1558-1970	1558-1987 / 1823-1978	1558-1955
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 LXX.8 new series SO4381)
Tithe maps c 1840
Land Valuation maps 1910

Archives:

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

ED1564/346-350 – Designs and plans for school
ED2699/42/38 – Manager's Returns

Records of Local Authorities and Institutions

PL9 Ludlow Union Workhouse records
DA3, DA33 Ludlow Borough (post 1835) *records held offsite, please request in advance*
LB Ludlow Borough (pre 1835)

Estate records

552 Powis Estate Records including:
552/27 – Records of the Estate of Thomas Wolley 1654-1882
552/4/1/1/5 – Stonehouse Estate particulars and valuations 1813-1840
552/8/904 – Stonehouse Estate Map 1836
552/30/403 – Stokesay Castle Estate Sales particulars 1869
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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