



The Old Rectory, Great Wishford

Great Wishford South Street (east side)

The Old Rectory (formerly listed as Rectory 23.3.60. together with barn, since demolished) GV II Rectory, now private house. Late c17, altered mid c18 and mid c19. English bond brick with stone quoins, tiled roof, gable end brick stacks. 'L'-plan. Two-storey and attic, 5-window; sashes. Chequered flint and stone plinth. Central half glazed latticed and margin-pane door in panelled reveals with pilastered surround, two 12-pane flush sashes either side have wedge lintels with keystone. First floor has five 4-pane sashes. Coped verges to roof with three flat-headed dormers with c20 casements. Attached to right is flint and stone single-storey extension with casements and hipped tiled roof. Right return has 4-light recessed chamfered mullioned casements to ground and first floor, c20 door. Left return wall of chequered flint and stone has 4-pane sash to first floor. Mid c19 rear wing has 4-pane and 8-pane sashes and half-octagonal 2-storey Flemish bond brick bay to gable end with 4-pane sashes and French windows with blind boxes. Rear parallel range to left has three 2- light recessed chamfered mullioned casements to ground floor, 6 panelled door and c20 tile-hung first floor addition to former outshut with 2-light casements, c19 arched stair window with lattice and margin-pane glazing. Interior has 6-panelled doors in moulded architraves with rosettes, mid c19 stairs with stick balusters and continuous moulded and wreathed handrail, doors with 6 fielded panels, plaster ceiling cornices and round-arched opening in entrance hall, chamfered beams to rear. Ceased to be used as the rectory during 1970s.

British Listed Buildings

Residents of the Rectory as recorded in the Census:

1841: Frederick Williams, 40, Rector of the Parish, his wife, Harriett Williams, 30, and two female servants, Mary Woodlands, 40, born in Wiltshire, and Ann Doughty, 20, also born in Wiltshire.

1851: Frederick de Veil Williams, 52, unmarried, Rector of Wishford Magna, who was born in Lambeth, Surrey.

1861: Frederick ... Williams, 62, unmarried, Rector of Great Wishford, born in Kennington, Surrey, his sister, Paulina Helina Lewis, 60, widow and fund holder, also born in Kennington, and 3 unmarried nieces, Paulina M. Lewis, 26, born Pimlico, London, Juliana Lewis, 24, born Pimlico, and Rose A. Williams, 30, and two servants, Elizabeth L. Pope, 27, cook, born in Corston, Somerset, and Ann Grant, 26, housemaid, born in Winterbourne Stoke.

1871: Thomas B. Buchanon, 36, Rector of Wishford, married, born in Gloucester, his sons Sidney J., 6, scholar, Thomas G, 5, also a scholar, and Walter, 1, and daughter Mary A., 3, the children all born in Wishford. Also in the household are servants, Carol Webber, unmarried, 30, nurse, born in Dunster, Somerset, Julia S. Williams, 18, born in Stapleford, nursemaid, Jane Wilkins, 18, cook, born in Winterbourne Stoke, and Mary Scammel, 18, housemaid, born at Wishford.

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1881: Edward Hill, 63, widower, rector of Great Wishford, born in Oxford, and two servants, Ann Acott, single, 64, housekeeper, born in Oxford, and Mary A. Noake, 20, single, a general servant, born in Steeple Langford. 1891: Edward Hill, 73, widower, rector of Great Wishford, born in Oxfordshire, his niece, Mabel J. Ballachey, 39, single, born in Norfolk, and two servants, Annie Snelling, 27, single, cook, born in Wiltshire and Annie B. West, 22, single, house parlour maid, born in Wiltshire. 1901: Frederick W. MacDonald, 52, Clerk in Holy Orders, born in Salisbury, his wife, Frances L. MacDonald, 51, born in Gillingham, Dorset, visitor Flora G. Kyminster, 49, born in Salisbury, and two servants, Jane Moore, 32, born in Wingfield, Wilts, and Harriett A. Hailstone, 17, born at Stapleford. 1911: Frederick William Macdonald, 62, born Salisbury, and Frances Lucy Macdonald, 61, born in Gillingham, Dorset 1921: Frederick William Macdonald, 72, born Bishops Cannings, and Frances Lucy Macdonald, 72, born in Gillingham, Dorset and two servants Grace Dominey, 34 born Witchampton, Dorset and Edith Kate Hayes, 30, born in Harnham.

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