Kingsclere



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Site Chapel 16th century Stratton Farm. Tiles dating from 16th century found when present house was built.



Park

Cannon Park. This and similar names preserve the memory of the Canons of Rouen, holders of the manor from 1107 to 1335. No evidence of park pale to be seen.



Enclosure

East of Cottingtons Hill. Small, almost square enclosure once visible as dark crop mark. Site falls in fir plantation, on crest of a ridge.

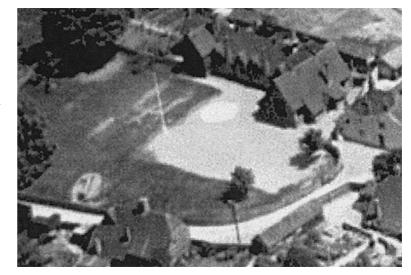


Hunting Lodge

Freemantle Park Farm. Traditionally believed to be the site of King John's Hunting Lodge, finds include sherds, an enamel plaque, sliver coin and fragments of Tudor bricks. Remains of 13th century park pale surround the area of Freemantle Park.



Site
Burial Ground
Kingsclere School Playground Believed
to date from either the interdict or Black
death. Many remains found in shallow
graves on the silt of the school
playground.



Site
School
Littern School. Existed before 1618,
presumably one of the post-reformation
foundations. No trace of the old school
buildings survive but the Kingsclere
school was known locally as the Litten
School. Demolished 1978



Site
Deserted Mediaeval Village
Tidgrove. Hundred Kingsclere.
Apparently marked by irregular ground to the left of the present Farmhouse. Site of the Royal stables 1100-1350.



Site
Deserted Medieval Village
Sharlsen Village, Balston Farm and
Ibworth Farm. Whole of this area of
archaeological interest. Includes
medieval strip field system.



Site
Deserted Medieval Village
North Oakley Farm. Present farmhouse
possibly 17th century.



Earthwork

West of Cottingtons Hill. Semi-circular earthwork of non-defensive character situated astride a narrow east-west ridge, with steep escarpment to the north and re-entrant valley to the south.



Footpath Bridleway old Travel Way Dell Lane Bridleway. Old coach road to Basingstoke.



Old Travel way Portway. Route of Roman road, Silchester to Dorchester. Still followed by public roads.



Old Travel Way
Southern Ridgeway. Long distance path.
Alton to Inkpen Beacon. Prehistoric
route linking many earthworks and in the
southern part of the parish almost joins
the Harrow Way.

Bridleway Runs from Kingsclere to Plantation Farm, which is out of the parish, good point to view interesting and attractive geological formation.

Old Travel Way Old Reading Road from Kingsclere. Rights of way still follow this route, along which are several old farms.



Buildings

Church 12th century
St. Mary. Built 1130-40, replacing Anglo-Saxon Minster. Extensively restored in 1848. Stone and flint structure. Chancel, south chapel, central tower, transepts, and nave. Unique weather-vane. Hexagonal 17th century pulpit.



Farmhouse 17th century
Frobury farm. Built on site of probably
moated manor house. Restored timberframed and brick structure, formerly two
cottages. Brick and tile hung wing.
Hipped old tile roof Contains a genuine
priest's hole.



Houses 17th century Nos 7, 9, 11 and 13 George Street. 2 storeys. Stuccoed structure. Old tile roof with stepped ridge. Heavy timbering inside. Added to and altered over the centuries.



Cottage 17th century
No 2. Plastow Green. Attractive black
and white timber-framed structure.
Thatched roof. Formerly a simple type
long-house and still shows differentiation
into human and animal quarters.



House and Stable Block 17th century The Old House. (9, Newbury Road) Dated 1684. Red brick, with occasional blue headers. Ridge tiled roof, hipped to right. Four hipped dormers containing old lattice glazing. Extremely elegant and attractive. Thatched stable block, one of only two thatches left in the village.



Houses 17th century
Nos. 1, 1a and 1b, Swan Street. 2 storeys.
Colour-washed brick and timberedframed structures. Long ridge tiled roof,
hipped to the right. Cable end with
exposed timber work. Regency bowfronted shop windows.

Farmhouse 17th century Holdrops Hill, Headley. 2 storeys. Red brick with blue headers. Moulded brick plinth and band. Old ridge tiled roof, hipped at one end and brought down as pentice to rear. Modern lattice casements. Oak panelled door.

Farmhouse 17th century Sanford Farm. Plain brick structure with timber framing in the east wall. Built 1610 on site of the Manor of Sanford, the descent of which can be traced from the Domesday Survey 1086.

Farmhouse 17/18th century Knowl Farm, Great Knowl Hill. Large house forming oneside quadrangle with old stables and barns on the others. Brick and timber-framed structure. Partly thatched Wrought iron gates at the entrance.





Building 18th century

Swan Hotel. 2 storeys. Queen Anne facade carefully restored. Brick Structure. Ridge tiled roof. Moulded eaves. Large chimney with four square stalks coupled diagonally suggesting 17th century. Modern wing to right has six sash windows and elaborate doorway.

House 18th century No. 17 Swan Street. 2 storeys. Lime washed brick plinth and band Tiled roof. Sash windows on ground floor, lattice casement above boarded cottage door.

Building 18th century No. 18, Swan street. 2 storeys. Limewashed brick walls. Hipped old tiled roof. Panelled door and small shop front.

Building 18th century
Nos. 21, 23 and 23a Swan Street, 2
storeys. Blue brick with red brick
dressings. Old ridge tiled roof. Early 19th
century. Gothic window on first floor.
Originally a pair of terraced houses now
shops. Early 18th century facade to much
earlier building.



House 18th century No. 22 Swan Street. 2 storeys. Brick structure cemented and painted Old tiled roof Two sets of plain casements.



House 18^{th} century

No. 24, Swan Street. 2 storeys. Blue brick and red brick dressings. Heavy moulded eaves. Steep hipped tiled roof. Centre panelled door. Rectangled fanlight with ornamental tracery. Used as offices.



House 18th century The Rookery, No. 26, Swan Street. 2 storeys. Blue brick with red brick dressings. Old tiled roof. Sash windows. Modern triple windows on ground floor.



House 18th century

No. 46. Swan Street. 2 storeys. Painted brick with tarred plinth. Ridge tiled roof, hipped to right. Gable end to left, tile hung. Sash windows. Earlier wing to the rear. Formerly an inn.



House 18th century Kingsclere House. Large brick built country house with lawns going down to the mill ponds. Once a centre of the racing fraternity and visited by royalty. Now divided into separate dwellings. 3-storey brick structure with a tiled roof.

House 18th century Priors Mill. 2 storeys. Red brick with blue headers. Ridge tiled roof, half hipped at either end and brought down as pentice to the rear. At one time a corn mill.

House 18th century
Dairy House Farmhouse. 2 storeys. Red
brick with blue headers. Corbelled brick
eaves. Hipped tiled roof. Centred panelled
door with fanlight set in panelled
pilastered doorcase. May be older than
date shown.

Farm Building 18th century Dairy House Farm. Large weatherboarded barn with gabled covered yard entrance.







House 18th century Priory House. L-shaped range with wing bordering Newbury Road. 2 storeys. Lime washed brick structure. Tiled roof. Heavy beams inside, possibly 17th century.



Inn 18th century
The Star. 2 storeys. Lime washed brick structure. Tiled roof. Sash windows.
Modern centre glazed porch. Weather-boarded thatched bam adjoining.



Farmhouse 18th century Stantons Farm. 2 storeys. Lime washed plaster walls. Projecting half-hipped gable to left, old ridge tiled roof to right. Sash windows. Modern gabled porch.



2 Houses 18th century Nos. 10 and 12, George Street. 2 storeys. Lime washed brick structure with tarred cement plinth, brick band and corbelled eaves. Tiled roof. Out buildings at the rear include end of the Old Rope Walk, once a major industry in the village.



Cottage 18th century
No. 1, North Street. Forming part of the
Priory House Corner. Whitewashed brick
structure with interior timber-framed.
Over looking village green and market
place.

House 18th century Nos. 9, 11, and 13 North Street. 2 storeys. Rendered brick structure with some timber- framing. Old tiled roof. Single storey end gable with exposed timberframing. Formerly three cottages.

Farm House 18/19th century No. 25, Newbury Road. 2 storeys. Red brick with blue headers. Slate roof. Insurance mark over door. Garage replaces farm buildings.

Buildings 18/19th century
Nos, 2, 4 and 6, George Street. 2 storeys.
Red and blue brick range. Old tile roof
Chimney with stack set diagonally
suggests core of buildings may be 17th
century. No. 2 has an unusual early 19th
century porch.







Buildings 18/19th century
Nos 3, 5, 7 and 9 Swan Street. Interesting
group occupying important position
opposite the churchyard. Blue and red
brick structures. Nos. 7 and 9 have
timber-framing visible internal. Used as
shops.



4 Cottages 18/19th century Nos. 15, 17, 19, and 21 North Street. Three c Weatherboarding above. Tiled roof.



House 19th century No. 15, George Street. 2 storeys. Stuccoed walls. Slate roof.



House 19th century Knightsbridge House, Headley. L-shaped, 2 storeys structure. Blue brick walls. Low pitched slate roof with wide spreading eaves. Typical Victorian "gentleman's country house".



House 19th century Brooklyn House. North Street. 2 storeys. Stuccoed walls. Low-pitched slate roof. Sash windows. Centre panelled door. Attractive small garden with stream and orchard.



Farmhouse 19th century Woodhouse Farm. 2 storeys. Grey brick with red brick dressings. Tiled roof. Modern casement windows. Red brick rear wing with tiled roof. Tall "Tudor" chimney stacks.



Farmhouse 19th century
Elm Grove. L-shaped. 2 storey structure.
Blue brick walls. Slate roof. Several large
Victorian bay windows on ground floor.
Stone pedimented doorway with ionic
pilasters. Building now converted into
flats.



House

White House, Galley Lane, Headley, Reputed to be the oldest house in Hampshire, possibly 12th century. Timber-framed and wattle and daub structure. Religious texts painted on internal wall. Once a pilgrims rest house on the St. Albans to Winchester route. Pipe and Glass Public House until the turn of the century.



Inn

George and Horn. Brick and part timberframed structure. Attractive windows. Hitching rings. Original site of the Crown Public House and occupying one end of the old village street.



Building

No. 2 Swan Street. Edwardian facade. Red brick with blue patterns and tile decoration. Tiled roof. Sash windows at front, casements at rear. Some rebuilding at rear.



House

No. 15, Swan Street. Timber-framed and brick structure, refronted in the 18th century 2 storeys. Tiled roof. Projecting wing to rear has exposed timber-work.



House

No. 20, Swan Street. 2 storeys. Lime washed brick refronting of timber-framed structure. Corbelled brick eaves. Old tiled roof. Wood casements. Believed to be originally an important 11th century hall-house with carved roof-boss.



House

No. 28, Swan Street. 18th century facade masking earlier structure. 2 storeys. Blue brick with red brick dressings and band. Tiled roof. Handsome double frontage.

2 Houses

Nos. 30-32, Swan Street. Red and blue brick structures. Queen post construction visible in end wall and interior of roof. Refronted and roof raised. Possibly 16th century



Nos. 34-38, Swan Street. Red and blue brick structures. Balloon frame, timber construction visible at the rear. Possibly 16th century.







2 Cottages

Nos. 3 and 5, North Street. 2 storeys. Timber-framed structure refronted with red brick in the 18th century. Old tiled roof brought down as pentice at side to rear. Boarded cottage doors.



Outbuildings

Rear of the Old Brewery House. Small square brick tower with weatherboarded top stage and small thatched granary on saddle stones. The main brewery in the 19th century for the many pubs and inns in the area.

House

The Old Brewery House, No. 5, Newbury Road 2 storeys. 18th century plaster refronting of earlier twin gabled facade. Ridge tiled roof. Centre columned porch flanked by splayed bays. Victorian oriel window in side elevations.



No. 8 George Street. Formerly smithy. Walls constructed by ramming chalk and flint between timbers, which when dry solidified. Re-fronted in the 18/19th century. Hipped tiled roof with boarded eaves. Believed to be 16th century.

House

No. 18, George Street. 2 storeys. Timber-framed and brick structure. Refronted in the 18th century. Timber-framing visible on side elevation and internally. Ridge tiled roof. Now a shop.









Farmhouse

Porch Farmhouse. 2 storeys. Restored timber-framed structure with 18th century red brick facade. Modem gables to right and left of entrance front with roof brought down as pentice in centre. Oak panelled door.



Farm building

Stantons Farm. L -shaped thatched bam. Brick with some exposed timber-framing. Weatherboarded wing to rear with covered wagon entrance.



House

The Falcons, No. 1, Newbury Road. Former Golden Falcon Inn. Red brick gabled structure. Bowed oriel window on ground floor. Wide panelled double doorway. Internal heavy beamed ceilings. Once a staging post for royal messengers.



Bam or Malthouse

Adjoining No. 1, Newbury Road. Timberframed with red brick and plaster filling. Pronounced over sailing attic storey supported on stout timber joists. Old ridge tiled roof



Watermill Island Mill. House and Granary. Lowest of the village's four water mills, still complete and possible to restore to full working order. An horticulturally interesting garden.



Watermill Gaily Mill. Highest of the village's four watermills. Water-powered for grinding grain. Used until recent times for grinding cattle and horse food



House Malt H

Malt House, fair oak. Restored farmhouse incorporating old malthouse. Modern ballroom at rear. Old part irregular with uneven tiled roof, partly brought down as pentice at front. Hipped dormers. Exposed timberframing in places. Some 18th century sash windows at side.



Farmhouse

Old Farm, Plastow. Farmhouse with stables, bam and granary. 2 storey brick structure with tiled roof. Modernised. Detached stables modernised to form bungalow.



Stables
Park House stables and the Gallops.
Stud and training centre which has
produced a number of Derby winners
during the last one hundred years.





