

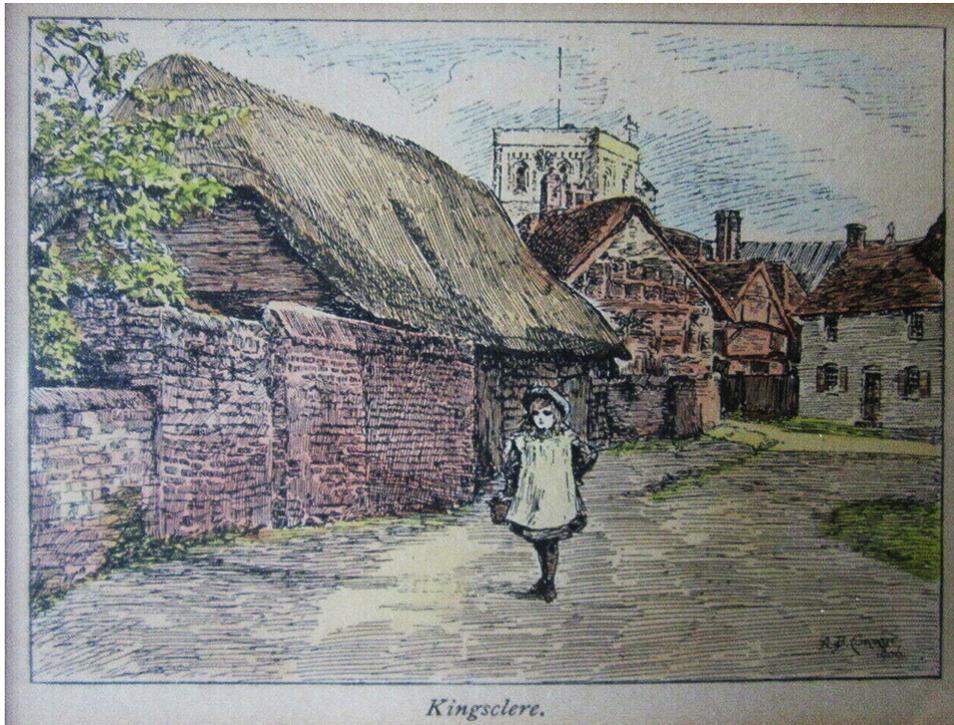
Newbury Road Past and Present

The start of Newbury Road was pretty different in the past. The stretch between Number 1 (Falcon Inn) and Number 2 (Priory House) was narrow and a road sign said “Dangerous Drive Slowly” (see pic1 from 1900s).



But by 1952 things look as they do today (see pic 2).

From the other direction, the story unfolds. The painting by R.B.Connor from 1908 (pic 3) indicates that there were large buildings (barns?), one of them half-timbered.



But by the 1930s these were gone (pic 4).

So how did it happen?

In 1922 these buildings and old cottages were demolished!! (pic 5)



Still no numbers 4 & 6 Newbury Road.

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