

# **QUANTON VILLAGE SOCIETY - PUBLICATIONS**

We are delighted to be able to show you a list of our publications, some of which first became available more than twenty years ago. Many of these publications have been re-printed several times. The publications are listed below. We are indebted to the authors Laurie Cooper, John Spargo and the late Gordon Rodwell for providing such a wealth of interesting and historical information about Quainton and its inhabitants. The prices shown are for QVS Members, non-members prices are shown in brackets.

- | <b>PUBLICATION</b>  | <b>AUTHOR</b>             | <b>PRICE (non-members)</b> |
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| <b>1) QUANTON VILLAGE GUIDE</b><br>This handy sized publication is a valuable source of information about the village and its history from the time of the Norman Conquest. It also highlights some of its more celebrated features.  | <b>LAURIE COOPER</b>      | <b>£2.00 (£2.50)</b>       |
| <b>2) A HISTORY OF QUANTON</b><br>Our history starts in Roman times with Carters lane separating the Parishes of Quainton and North Marston and joining the Roman Akerman Street (A41) at Fleet Marston. The original 'Cwentun' (Queen's Town) comes from the Anglo-Saxons who were in occupation between 410-1066 and the arrival of the Normans. At around 1340 the Knights Hospitallers are credited with building the church which is the oldest building in the village. There is a list of the Lords of the Manor from 1046 with the Pigotts of Doddershall, who came to the Parish in the 15th Century, who are still in occupancy today in the form of their 14th generation representatives, Christopher Prideaux and his wife Celia.  | <b>LAURIE COOPER</b>      | <b>£3.00 (£3.80)</b>       |
| <b>3) QUANTON VILLAGE HISTORY (Collected Memories)</b><br>This publication is a collection of the personal experiences of village people taken from diaries or from taped conversations. Joseph Mayett talks about the start of the Baptist Chapel by a group of 17 people with the building of the chapel in 1818. We are also told about the stocks and whipping post half way between the Cross and Magpie Cottage on the Green and having to take it in turns to get into the church choir in the 1920s. We learn about the pit at Frank Goss' farm where the railway came alongside to transport thousands of bricks to build the new extension at the Rothchild's house. Did you know about the second windmill in Quainton? Finally, in this introduction, you must read Laurie Cooper's excellent article on shopping in Quainton in the 1930s describing the shops as though they were still open today. Absolutely fascinating! | <b>GORDON<br/>RODWELL</b> | <b>£6.30 (£7.30)</b>       |
| <b>4) QUANTON VILLAGE DIRECTORY</b><br>Free to all houses bi-annually and to newcomers on arrival. A comprehensive register of village information, services, tradesmen and businesses.   | <b>LAURIE COOPER</b>      | <b>FREE to residents</b>   |
| <b>5) THE PARISH CHURCH OF HOLY CROSS &amp; ST. MARY</b><br>The church is a 14 <sup>th</sup> century building of the Decorated period of Gothic architecture. The   | <b>LAURIE COOPER</b>      | <b>£2.50 (£2.50)</b>       |

Knights Hospitallers were credited with its rebuilding in c.1340 and also erecting the stone cross on the village green but we know that a church was in existence before this time from the list of rectors in the church dating from 1224. This publication takes you on an interesting guided tour of the church identifying all the items worthy of your attention. The church is rich in C17-18<sup>th</sup> Monuments and there are a number of monumental brasses within the sanctuary. A fascinating and detailed companion for anyone interested in the village's oldest and grandest building.

**6) QUINTON, LIPSCOMB'S VILLAGE** **JOHN HARRIS** **£2.80 (£3.50)**

This is a fascinating and very readable pot-pourri of information about Quainton's past, with references from dozens of sources, and items including The Parish Stocks, Quainton Races and The Hand Bells. It provides the reader with an interesting and comprehensive picture of Quainton over the centuries, and offers something to the serious researcher and the casual reader alike.

**7) DODDERSHALL & SHIPTON LEE** **GORDON  
RODWELL** **£6.00 (£7.50)**

Extracts from deeds relating to Doddershall & Shipton Lee, beginning with the Domesday Book and continuing to the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. There is a fascinating introduction to each set of documents.

**8) COUNCIL MINUTES EXTRACTS** **GORDON  
RODWELL** **£5.20 (£6.50)**

The Council Minutes Extracts book combines many aspects of historical interest from both Parish and Council Meetings between 1894 and 1995. It contains a fascinating insight of life in Quainton and provides much background information on the development of the village facilities, including the introduction of mains water, the sewerage system, the first Memorial Hall and the various housing schemes. Also, it reports the demise of the village green pond, the Quainton Cricket Club, the Youth Club and The Quainton Road Railway Station.

At the back of the book there are listings of Parish Council Events and Parish Council Persons. These indices will prove very useful in obtaining specific information concerning the many facets of the village and illustrates the re-occurrence of familiar family names of people who have been actively involved within the local community.

**9) OVERSEERS BOOK** **GORDON  
RODWELL** **£5.50 (£6.50)**

This book contains much local history and includes many samples of relevant information from various local documents between 1675 to 1925. The information provides interesting insights into the life and times of the people of the village and the support of the poor people of the Parish, the roles of the Overseers, the Surveyors of the Highways and the Petty Constables. Included is a comprehensive index listing the names of all the people mentioned in the different records.

**10) QUINTON PROPERTY DEEDS BUILDINGS** **GORDON  
RODWELL** **£6.50 (£7.50)**

This book contains copies of various Deeds held in private hands which are associated with particular properties. The author's aim is to try to join these together with some of the Deeds held in the Record Office, thus providing a history of particular homes in the village. These cover dates from 1514 – 1940 but are more comprehensive after the Enclosure Act of 1844. There is a 13 page index of names and a 4 page index of documents.

**11) QUINTON PROPERTY DEEDS LANDS**

**GORDON  
RODWELL** £6.00 (£7.00)

This is the second part of these publications and contains extracts from documents relevant to Quainton held in the Bucks County Record Office.

**12) WARTIME QUINTON**

**GORDON  
RODWELL** £4.00 (£4.50)

Wartime Quainton reveals how the village organised itself to deal with the many problems arising from the two World Wars, from food shortages to raising funds for armaments and setting up local defences. Of course, the sacrifices which were made were nothing like those made by our fighting men to whom we shall be ever grateful. Wartime Quainton is a chronicle of extraordinary times and should be read by young and old alike.

**13) QUINTON SCHOOLS & THEIR ASSOCIATED CHARITIES**

**GORDON  
RODWELL** £6.50 (£7.50)

This traces the history of the successive schools for the village children from the 16th Century. Throughout the history of the schools the principal objective has been to provide the local children with a basic education to supplement the training they would have received from their apprenticeships. Selected extracts give fascinating information on the various facilities provided for the pupils, their activities and the personalities of their teachers. The Quainton schools have always been dependent on the church and other local charities. The book provides relevant, fully indexed information on the various charitable organisations and individuals, without whom the schools would probably not have survived.

**14) QUINTON CLUBS & CHARITIES WINWOOD CHARITY ALMSHOUSES**

**GORDON  
RODWELL** £7.00 (£8.00)

Since the late 17th Century, Quainton has greatly benefited from various charities, notably those of Richard Winwood, which were founded to assist the poor and needy inhabitants, especially through the provision of almshouses and other charitable activities. This booklet provides a detailed account of the properties that were donated and which continue to provide income for maintaining these almshouses. It also lists the villagers who have contributed to and benefited from these trusts. The information presented has been drawn from a number of sources, including archives and original records dating back to their formation. The booklet also includes a summary account of the objectives and activities of various village friendly societies and clubs covering the period from the early 19th Century to the present day.

**15) QUINTON VARIOUS DOCUMENTS & THE c.1841 GORDON £7.00 (£8.00)  
CENSUS RODWELL**

A valuable compilation of records of the village and its inhabitants including Wills, Domesday Book entries, Taxation Returns and a full transcript of the c.1841 Census. This is a mine of information about the social and economic history of the village, and offers a unique insight into the people who have lived in Quainton over the centuries. A must-have for anyone undertaking family history research in the area.

**16) LORDS OF THE MANOR LAURIE COOPER £2.50 (£3.00)**

Read about the landowners of Quainton from the Domesday survey of c.1086. There are many great names here:- Sir Thomas Missenden and wife Isabella, John Inwardby and wife Elizabeth (daughter of John Hampden), Joan Brudenell of Stoke Mandeville, Thomas Pigott and Richard Winwood.

**17) ENCLOSURE MAP OF QUINTON c.1841 GORDON £2.00 (£2.50)  
RODWELL**

This map shows how people's land was enclosed by an Act of Parliament where previously it had been not only unfenced but dispersed throughout the open and common fields. What turmoil when 24 houses were destroyed and 120 persons evicted!

**18) QUINTON AT THE TIME OF THE DOMESDAY GORDON £1.20 (£1.70)  
SURVEY RODWELL**

The one date in English history which everyone knows is 1066, the date of the Norman (French) conquest. The new king, William 1, wanted to value his new kingdom, hence the Domesday Book. In it Quainton, Shipton Lee and Doddershall were valued. It's interesting to know what we were worth then!

**19) QUINTON ARMED SERVICES GORDON £6.50 (£7.50)  
RODWELL**

This is a history of the action of Quainton participants in the Great War and World War 11 with information on the Crimean, the Boer war and the Militia men from 1522.

**20) THE FAMILY NAMES OF QUINTON £2.00 (£2.50)**

A transcribed summary of the 1881 Census of the village.

**21) QUINTON; HISTORY OF SOME OLD HOUSES GORDON £6.50 (£7.50)  
AND THEIR INHABITANTS RODWELL**

This illustrated book charts the early development and successive ownership of a number of the village's oldest and most significant buildings and is one of the best selling of all our publications.

**22) THE STONE CROSS JOHN SPARGO £1.00 (1.50)**

The history and a plausible reason for the present site of the Cross is explored in this fascinating and well researched booklet.

**23) SHOPPING IN QUINTON IN 1939 L COOPER/J £1.50 (£2.00)  
SPARGO**

A delightful insight into the old shops of Quainton with early photographs and records.

**24) CHURCH ORIENTATION EXPLORED JOHN SPARGO £1.00 (£1.50)**

Why did medieval builders align the church and its altar in the way that it is?

**25) GEORGE LIPSCOMB OF QUANTON, HISTORIAN L COOPER £1.00 (1.50)**

George Lipscomb, born in Quainton, was a soldier, a surgeon and apothecary, a writer and historian. This booklet is an appreciation of his life and achievements.

**26) HISTORY AND ANTIQUITIES OF, BUCKINGHAM – GEORGE  
QUANTON, DENHAM DODDERSHALL & SHIPTON- LIPSCOMB £3.60 (£4.50)  
LEE**

Lipscomb's History was published in parts between 1831 and 1847. This publication contains the section of his detailed history of the county dealing with Quainton, Denham, Doddershall and Shipton-Lee and contains a fascinating record of the geology, buildings and inhabitants of this area.

**27) CHURCH WARDENS BOOK 1668 – 1975 GORDON  
RODWELL £5.60 (£7.00)**

This publication contains a great wealth of detail from the cash books, accounts and other records of the time, as well as plans and illustrations. The many records of payments are as diverse as the expected payments for bread and wine, through charitable giving, to the unexpected payments for (presumably the destruction of) foxes, hedgehogs and badgers and moles! There is also a history of the Bells, Handbells, Church Clock and Sundial as well as records relating to the Wesleyan and Baptist communities.

**28) BAPTISMS AT QUANTON 1599 - 1812 STANLEY  
G.COOK £5.00 (£6.00)**

An alphabetical index transcribed from the Parish Registers by Stanley G Cook giving names, dates and parent's names

**29) THEN AND NOW QVS £7.00 (£7.50)**

This booklet has been printed at popular request and is a reprint, with additions, of the booklet which was published for the Millenium showing pictures of many of the old houses in the village, both as they were and as they are now.

**30) QUANTON WINDMILL HISTORY GORDON  
RODWELL £2.25 (£2.50)**

The History and Restoration of Quainton Windmill from 1830 to 2005 which describes some of the history of local mills, the building of the current mill, together with a copy of the account books of the Millwright, and the Mill's restoration from 1970 to 2005

**31) BURIALS AT QUANTON 1599 TO 1881 STANLEY G  
COOK £5.00 (£5.50)**

The information in this publication has been transcribed from the Parish Registers held in the County Records Office, Aylesbury and is an important record for Family History research

**32) QUANTON GRAVEYARD INSCRIPTIONS GORDON  
RODWELL £4.75 (£5.50)**

The main purpose of this record is assist relatives of the deceased to find their graves in the churchyard. As older stones weather and inscriptions become fainter, this becomes an increasingly important record.

Copies of these publications can be obtained through Caroline Jacobs on 01296 651448 or by emailing [villagesociety@quainton.info](mailto:villagesociety@quainton.info) **NB. From time to time, it becomes necessary to re-print publications as existing stocks become low. Quainton Village Society reserves the right to revise any of the above prices to reflect any increased printing costs. (Last revision July 2015)**