

Pond Head and Fireball Court

A study of this fascinating old area of Toddington

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Below my reconstruction of the area viewed south south west



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This area of Toddington has always fascinated me because historically it had 18 cottages and 60 residents all cramped into such a small area between the pond and Luton Road. So I set out to make a reconstruction art piece to look down and imagine how it looked. Then take the same view in block form and add the owners and tenants.

Adjacent was the Club, which again was dense with industry and cottages, being the New Inn, the brewery and malt house, blacksmiths, cottages, chip shop and stables during the time we are talking about.

On the other side of the pond, behind Wentworth House was Fowlers Yard which was another courtyard of high density cottages.

Because these were small 'two up two down' rented out cottages, it became quite a slum area, reports on some rent books said "Not fit to live in" so eventually all were demolished. Because of their insignificance very few photographs or art exists but they appear on old maps and of course the residents appear in the 1911 census and the 1925 rent records. The following pages look at the census page by page with comments then continue with more information.

In 1955 the pond was significantly reduced in size to become the Memorial Gardens. I was intrigued by a line of bricks remaining in the Memorial Gardens along the right hand side wondering if these were the remains of the cottages but putting the present pond map over an old map proved this is how far the pond originally extended, these bricks were the original edge of the pond.

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| 1 | Benjamin Buckingham | Head | 44 | Married |
| 2 | Catherine Buckingham | wife | 43 | Married |
| 3 | John Allen | Son in law | 21 | Single |
| 4 | Elizabeth Buckingham | daughter | 17 | Single |
| 5 | Sarah Buckingham | daughter | 15 | Single |
| 6 | Sydney Buckingham | Son | 11 | |
| 7 | George Buckingham | Son | 9 | |
| 8 | Eddie Buckingham | daughter | 6 | |
| 9 | Lillie Buckingham | daughter | 3 | |
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WALES,

SCHEDULE.

Prepared pursuant to the Census (Great Britain) Act, 1910.

NOTES

The Pond Side

Big family; Husband and wife with 6 children & son-in-law. 9 in one cottage.

This space to be filled up by the Enumerator.

Number of Registration District 176
 Number of Registration Sub-District 4
 Number of Enumeration District 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. } Mr Ben Buckingham

Postal Address } The Pond side
 Taddington
 Dunstable

CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.

Number of Schedules 40
(To be filled up by the Enumerator after selection)

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|----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|----------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------|--|------------|
| | | | Wife | Wife | Wife | Wife | Wife | Wife | Personal Occupation. | Industry or Service with which worker is connected. | Whether Employer, Director, or Working on Own Account. | | | |
| Benjamin Buckingham | Head | 44 | Married | | | | | agroomer and laborer | on farm | | | Pond Taddington | | |
| Catherine Buckingham | wife | 43 | Married | | | | | agroomer and laborer | on farm | | | Pond Taddington | | |
| John Allen | Son in law | 21 | Single | | | | | no occ upation | | | | | | |
| Elizabeth Buckingham | daughter | 17 | Single | | | | | no occ upation | | | | | | |
| Sarah Buckingham | daughter | 15 | Single | | | | | no occ upation | | | | | | |
| Sydney Buckingham | Son | 11 | | | | | | School | | | | | | |
| George Buckingham | Son | 9 | | | | | | School | | | | | | |
| Eddie Buckingham | daughter | 6 | | | | | | School | | | | | | |
| Lillie Buckingham | daughter | 3 | | | | | | School | | | | | | |

(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in possession, or in charge, of this dwelling.)

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: Ben Buckingham
 Postal Address: Pond Side Taddington

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|---|----------------|----------|----|---------|
| 1 | Ernest Evans | Head | 35 | Widower |
| 2 | Lizzie Holland | Wife | 22 | Married |
| 3 | Swath Evans | Daughter | 10 | |
| 4 | Jim Evans | Son | 7 | |
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The Pond Side

Ernest Evans aged 35 had Lizzie Holland aged 22 from Luton living with him and his two children. It states he was a widower.



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Number of Registration District..... 176
 Number of Registration Sub-District..... 4
 Number of Enumeration District..... 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier.

Mr Ernest Evans

Postal Address

The Pond Side
 Taddington
 Dunsstable

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| | | | State, for each Married Woman entered on the Schedule, the number of— | | Children born alive to general Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 7.) | | Personal Occupation. | Industry or Service with which worker is connected. | Whether Employer, Worker, or Own Account. | Whether Working as Shop. | (1) If born in the United Kingdom, write the name of the County, and Town or Parish, and of the Province or State. | (2) If born in any other part of the British Empire, write the name of the Imperium, Colony, etc., and of the Province or State. | | | |
| Ernest Evans | Head | 35 | Widower | | | | | | Labourer Agricultural on Farm | Proprietor | | Taddington Beds | English | | |
| Lizzie Holland | Wife | 22 | Married | 11 | 3 | 5 | | | None | | | Luton Beds | English | | |
| Swath Evans | Daughter | 10 | | | | | | | School | | | Taddington Beds | English | | |
| Jim Evans | Son | 7 | | | | | | | School | | | Taddington Beds | English | | |

(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)
 I certify that—
 (1) All the names in this Schedule are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 (2) I have counted the names and females in Columns 3 and 4 separately, and have compared them with the total number of persons.
 (3) After making the necessary inquiries I have completed all entries on the Schedule which appeared to be definite, and have corrected such as appeared to be erroneous.
 Name of Enumerator: Evans
 Total: Males 2, Females 2, Persons 4

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)
 I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 Signature: Ernest Evans
 Postal Address: Pond Side Taddington

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| 1 | Frederic Hobbs | Head | 400 | Single |
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NOTES

The Pond Side

Frederic Hobbs lived alone and was a farm labourer.

ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.



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Number of Registration District..... 176

Number of Registration Sub-District..... 4

Number of Enumeration District..... 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. } Mr Fredk Hobbs

Postal Address The Pond Side
Toddington
Drumstable

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|------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------|-----------------------------|---------|---------|----------|---|---|---|-------------------------|--|--|--|------------|
| | | Male | Female | Single | Married | Widowed | Divorced | Personal Occupation. | Industry or Service with which worker is connected. | Whether Engaged, whether Working, or Own Account. | Whether Working or Not. | (1) If born in the United Kingdom, write the name of the County, and Town or Parish. | (2) If born in any other part of the British Empire, write the name of the Dependency, Colony, etc., and of the Province or State. | | |
| 1 | Frederic Hobbs | Head | 400 | Single | | | | Farm Labourer | 400 | on farm | worked | Toddington | Bedford | | |
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(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: F Hobbs

Postal Address: Pond Side Toddington

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| 1 | William George Hucklesby Head | 51 | Married |
| 2 | Sarah Hucklesby Daughter | 17 | |
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Number of Registration District..... 176

Number of Registration Sub-District..... 4

Number of Enumeration District..... 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. } Mr William Hucklesby

Postal Address The Pond Side
Toddington
Dunstable

NOTES

The Pond Side

William Hucklesby was marked as married but lived alone with his daughter.

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|------------------|--------------------------------|------------|---------|----------------------------|--|--|----------------------------|---|----------|
| | | that Party | and Sex | | Personal Occupation | Industry or Service with which worker is connected | | | |
| 1 | William George Hucklesby Head | 51 | Male | Married | Agriculture Labourer | on Farm | Toddington Beds | English | |
| 2 | Sarah Hucklesby Daughter | 17 | Female | | Home Duties | | Toddington Beds | English | |
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I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: W. Hucklesby

Postal Address: Pond Side Toddington

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| 1 | James White | Head | 45 | Single |
| 2 | Mary Ann Garner | Sister | 57 | |
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The Pond Side

James White lived with his sister, Mary Ann Garner who was marked as a housekeeper

1911.



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Number of Registration Sub-District..... 4

Number of Enumeration District..... 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. } Mr. James White

Postal Address The Pond Side,
Goddington
Dunstable

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| | | | State, for each Married Woman entered on this Schedule, the number of— | Children born alive to present Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 5.) | Children born alive to former Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 6.) | Children born alive to former Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 7.) | Children born alive to former Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 8.) | Children born alive to former Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 9.) | Personal Occupation. | Industry or Service with which worker is connected. | Whether Employer, or Worker, or Own Account. | | | |
| 1 James White | Head | 45 | Single | | | | | | | Agricultural Labourer on Farm | Within | Goddington Dist | English | |
| 2 Mary Ann Garner | Sister | 57 | | | | | | | | Housekeeper | | Goddington Dist | English | |
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I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature James White

Postal Address Pond Side, Goddington

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|---|------------------------|----------|------|---------|
| 1 | George Denton | Head | 47 | Married |
| 2 | Elizabeth Clara Denton | Wife | 47 | Married |
| 3 | Sarah Denton | Daughter | 18 | Single |
| 4 | Mary May Denton | Daughter | 15 | Single |
| 5 | Evilyn Ann Denton | Daughter | 13 | Single |
| 6 | Jane Denton | Daughter | 10 | Single |
| 7 | Ella Marion Denton | Daughter | 5 | Single |
| 8 | Hazel Margaret Denton | Daughter | born | |

VALES,

NOTES

Pond Head

George Denton, his wife and 6 children.

The eldest child was 18 and working at a paper factory.

8 people in this cottage.

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Number of Registration District 176
 Number of Registration Sub-District 4
 Number of Enumeration District 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. } Mr George Denton

Postal Address The Pond Head
Toddington
Dunstable

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|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------|---------|----------|--|---------------------|----------------------------|--|-----------|
| | | | Single | Married | Widowed | Divorced | General | Industry or Service | | | |
| George Denton | Head | 47 | Married | | | | General Labourer | Farming | Wether | Bedd | |
| Elizabeth Clara Denton | Wife | 47 | Married | | | | | | | Wether | |
| Sarah Denton | Daughter | 18 | Single | | | | Paper Factory Worker | | | Wether | |
| Mary May Denton | Daughter | 15 | Single | | | | | | | Wether | |
| Evilyn Ann Denton | Daughter | 13 | Single | | | | | | | Wether | |
| Jane Denton | Daughter | 10 | Single | | | | | | | Wether | |
| Ella Marion Denton | Daughter | 5 | Single | | | | | | | Wether | |
| Hazel Margaret Denton | Daughter | born | | | | | | | | Wether | |

(To be filled up by the Enumerator)

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(To be filled up by, or on behalf of the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling)

Write below the Number of Rooms in this Dwelling House, Premises, or Apartment. Count the kitchen as a room but do not count outhouse, landing, lobby, closet, bathroom, nor warehouse, office, shop.

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature George Denton
 Postal Address Pond Head Toddington Bedd

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| 1 | Samuel Palmer | Head | 38 | - | Single |
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Number of Registration District 176

Number of Registration Sub-District 4

Number of Enumeration District 114

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. Mrs S Palmer

Postal Address The Pond Head
Toddington
Dunstable

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|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------|-------|----------|---|---|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------|
| | | | Single | Married | Widow | Divorced | Personal Occupation. | Industry or Service with which worker is connected. | Whether English, Welsh, or Scottish (see Annex). | Whether Workman or Servant. | | | |
| 1 Samuel Palmer | Head | 38 - | Single | | | | | Farm Labourer | on Farm | Worker | Toddington, Beds | | |
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(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

I certify that—

(1) All the entries on this Schedule are entered in the proper and relevant columns.

(2) I have treated the names and surnames in Columns 1 and 2 separately, and have entered thereon with the total number of persons.

(3) After making the necessary corrections I have completed all entries on the Schedule which appeared to be defective, and have provided such as appeared to be necessary.

Initials of Enumerator: GP

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)

Write below the Number of Rooms in this Dwelling (Kitchens, Bathrooms, or Apartments, Count the Kitchens as a room but not count cellars, landing, lobby, closet, bathroom, and washhouse, office, shop).

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: Samuel Palmer

Postal Address: Pond Head Toddington Beds.

Your: _____

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|---|------------------|----------|----|----|--------|
| 1 | Margaret Parker | Head | | 58 | Widow |
| 2 | John Parker | Son | 19 | | Single |
| 3 | Priscilla Parker | Daughter | 15 | | Single |
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NOTES

Pond Head

Margaret Parker and her two children were gypsies and marked so, She came from Swansea.

She was 58 and a widow.

In 1913 the whole row of the thatched cottages were destroyed by fire caused by an old gypsy lady smoking her clay pipe in bed. This is probably the same woman.



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Number of Registration Sub-District..... 4

Number of Enumeration District..... 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. } Mr Margaret Parker

Postal Address The Pond Head
Toddington
Dumfries

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| | | Males | Females | | Personal Occupation | Industry or Service with which worker is connected | Whether Employed, or Working on Own Account | | | |
| 1 Margaret Parker | Head | 58 | Widow | | | | | | | |
| 2 John Parker | Son | 19 | Single | | | | | | | |
| 3 Priscilla Parker | Daughter | 15 | Single | | | | | | | |
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I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature Margaret Parker

Postal Address Pond Head Toddington

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|---|---------------|------|----|---|---------|
| 1 | George Evans | Head | 42 | - | Widower |
| 2 | Charles Evans | Son | 10 | - | - |
| 3 | Ernest Evans | Son | 8 | - | - |

NOTES

Pond Head

George Evans was a widower looking after his two sons.

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Number of Registration District..... 176
 Number of Registration Sub-District..... 4
 Number of Enumeration District..... 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. } M^r George Evans

Postal Address Pond Head
Toddington
Dunstable

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Number of Inhabitants 69
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| NAME AND SURNAME | RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family | AGE (Last Birthday) and SEX | PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE. | | | | | | PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards. | | | | BIRTHPLACE of every person. | | NATIONALITY of every person. | | INFIRMITY. |
|------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|-------|----------|-------|------------------|---|---|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|---|---|-------------------------------------|------------|
| | | | Married | Single | Widow | Divorced | Child | Other | Personal Occupations | Industry or Service with which worker is connected. | Whether Employer, Worker, or both. | Whether Worker or Slave. | (1) If born in the United Kingdom, with the name of the County, and Town or Parish. | (2) If born in any other part of the British Empire, with the name of the Dependencies, Colonies, etc., and of the Province or State. | (3) If born in a Foreign Country, with the name of the Country. | (4) If born at sea, write "At Sea." | |
| George Evans | Head | 42 | - | - | - | - | - | General Labourer | Farming | Worker | - | Toddington, Beds | - | - | - | - | - |
| Charles Evans | Son | 10 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | Toddington | - | - | - | - | - |
| Ernest Evans | Son | 8 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | Toddington | - | - | - | - | - |

(To be filled up by the Enumerator)

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge of the dwelling)

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: George Evans
 Postal Address: Pond Head, Toddington, Beds

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|---|-----------------|----------|----|--------|
| 1 | Florence Wright | Head | 33 | Single |
| 2 | May Wright | daughter | 12 | |
| 3 | Ellen F Wright | daughter | 10 | |
| 4 | Minnie Wright | daughter | 8 | |
| 5 | Alice P Wright | daughter | 4 | |

NOTES

Pond Head

Florence Wright and her four daughters.

Florence is marked as a char woman, laundry work. It says "Never married, children born out of wedlock"

Must have been a hard life raising a family of 4 just doing washing and ironing.

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Number of Registration District 176
 Number of Registration Sub-District 4
 Number of Enumeration District 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. } Miss Florence Wright

Postal Address Pond Head
Toddington
Dunstable

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| NAME AND SURNAME | RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family | AGE in Years | PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE | | | | PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards | | BIRTHPLACE of every person | NATIONALITY of every Person born in a Foreign Country | INFIRMITY. |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|---------|-------|-------|--|--|----------------------------|---|------------|
| | | | Single | Married | Widow | Other | Domestic Occupation | Industry or Service with which worker is connected | | | |
| 1 Florence Wright | Head | 33 | Single | | | | Char woman & Laundry work | | Wotton Bass, Toddington | | |
| 2 May Wright | daughter | 12 | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 Ellen F Wright | daughter | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 Minnie Wright | daughter | 8 | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 Alice P Wright | daughter | 4 | | | | | | | | | |
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(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge of this dwelling.)

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature Florence Wright
 Postal Address Pond Head Toddington

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| 1 | Albert Clarke | Head | 48 | Marrried |
| 2 | Sarah Ann Clarke | Wife | 48 | Marrried |
| 3 | Constance / Elsie Clarke | Daughter | 7 | Single |

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Number of Registration District 176
 Number of Registration Sub-District 4
 Number of Enumeration District 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. } Mr Albert Clarke

Postal Address Luton Road
 Loddington
 Dunstable

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| NAME AND SURNAME | RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family | AGE (last birthday and SEX) | PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE. | | | | PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards. | | BIRTHPLACE of every person. | NATIONALITY of every Person born in a Foreign Country. | INFIRMITY. |
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| | | | State, for each Married Woman entered on this Schedule, the number of— | Children born alive to present Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 7.) | Children born alive to previous Marriage, has had. | Total Children born alive. | Children still living. | Children who have died. | | | |
| Albert Clarke | Head | 48 | Marrried | 2 | | | | Cabowner agricultural Farm | Luton | Loddington Parish | British |
| Sarah Ann Clarke | Wife | 48 | Marrried | 2 | 2 | | | House woman | Luton | Loddington Parish | British |
| Constance / Elsie Clarke | Daughter | 7 | Single | | | | | School | Luton | Loddington Parish | British |

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| I certify that— | | Total. | |
| (1) All the entries on this Schedule are copied in the gross or extracts. | (2) I have examined the returns and found them to be correct. | Males | Females |
| (3) After making the necessary corrections I have re-examined all returns on the Schedule which appeared to be defective and have corrected such as appeared to be necessary. | | 1 | 2 |
| Initials of Enumerator | | 3 | |

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)

Write below the Number of Rooms in this Dwelling (Kitchens, Bathrooms, or Apartments). Count the Kitchens as a room but do not count sanitary, landing, lobby, alcove, bathrooms, cell, warehouse, office, shop.

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature Albert Clarke Luton
 Postal Address Loddington Dunstable Beds

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| 1 | Andrew Ayres | Head | 23 | Married under 1 year |
| 2 | | | | |
| 3 | Minnie Ayres | Wife | 22 | Married |

NOTES

Fireball Court

Both from out of town, Minnie from Maidenhead

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Number of Registration District 176

Number of Registration Sub-District 4

Number of Enumeration District 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. Mr Andrew Ayres

Postal Address Fireball Court
Toddington
Dunstable

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| NAME AND SURNAME | RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family. | AGE (and Sex) at last Birth. | PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE. | | | | PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Persons aged ten years and upwards. | | | | BIRTHPLACE of every person. | NATIONALITY of every Person born in a Foreign Country. | INFIRMITY. |
|------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|---|---|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|------------|
| | | | Single. | Married. | Widowed. | Divorced. | Personal Occupation. | Industry or Service with which worker is connected. | Whether Employer, or Shop or Working on Own Account. | Whether Working as a Slave. | | | |
| 1 Andrew Ayres | Head | 23 | Married under 1 year | | | Labourer | attached to Farm | Worker | at Home | Redhill in the Parish of Moor Down | English | 160 | |
| 2 Minnie Ayres | Wife | 22 | Married | | | | | | at Home | Maidenhead | English | 380 | |
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(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

Family No. 11

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature Andrew Ayres, Fireball Ct, Toddington

Postal Address Toddington, Dunstable Beds

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| 1 | Rebecca Cutler | Head | 83 | widow |
| 2 | Arthur Clark | maid | 5 | |

NOTES

Fireball Court

Rebecca is the oldest resident aged 83 still looking after a three year old. She is marked as a straw worker.

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Number of Registration District..... 176

Number of Registration Sub-District..... 4

Number of Enumeration District..... 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. } Mrs Rebecca Cutler.

Postal Address Fireball Court,
Todding Ln
Dunstable

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Number of Schedules..... 16
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| | | | Status, for each Married Woman entered on this Schedule, the number of— | | | | Particulars. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Rebecca Cutler | Head | 83 | widow | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Arthur Clark | maid | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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I certify that—

(1) All the names on this Schedule are entered in the proper order column.

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(3) After making the necessary corrections I have completed all entries on this Schedule which appeared to be defective, and have signified such as appear to be incorrect.

Signature..... [Signature]
Date..... 11/1/20

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I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature..... [Signature]
Postal Address..... Fireball Court, Dunstable

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| 1 | Samuel Briden | 2 | Head | 3 | 50 | 4 | Single |
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NOTES

Fireball Alley

Samuel lived alone and was marked as a labourer and drover.

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Number of Registration District 176

Number of Registration Sub-District 4

Number of Enumeration District 14

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. Mr S^d Briden

Postal Address. Fireball Alley
Doddington
Dunstable

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| | | Male. | Female. | Single. | Married. | Widow. | Divorced. | Children born alive to present Marriage. | Children born alive to former Marriage. | Children born alive to other Marriages. | Children under 15 years of age. | | | | Children under 5 years of age. |
| 1 Samuel Briden | Head | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

I certify that—

- All the names on this Schedule are entered in the proper sex column.
- I have entered the sexes and births in Columns 2 and 3 accurately, and have compared them with the total number of persons.
- After making the necessary inquiries I have completed all entries on this Schedule which appear to be accurate, and have prepared such as appeared to be accurate.

(Signature of Enumerator)

(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)

Write below the Number of Rooms in this Dwelling (Kitchens, Parlours, or Apartments). Omit the kitchen as a room but do not omit scullery, landing, lobby, closet, bathroom; see warehouse, office, shop.

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature Samuel Briden Fireball Alley

Postal Address Doddington Dunstable Beds

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|---|--------------------|---------------|----|--------|
| 1 | John Buckingham | Head | 28 | Single |
| 2 | William Buckingham | Son | 22 | Single |
| 3 | Ann Buckingham | Head | 48 | Single |
| 4 | Lizzie Buckingham | Daughter | 5 | |
| 5 | Floris Jellis | Granddaughter | 4 | |

NOTES

Luton Road

Ann Buckingham and her four children aged from 28 to 4.

It states: Ann Buckingham has never been married 4 children born out of wedlock.



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Number of Registration District..... 176

Number of Registration Sub-District..... 4

Number of Enumeration District..... 114

Name of Head of Family or Separate Occupier. } Miss A. Buckingham

Postal Address..... Luton Road
Toddington
Dunstable.

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Number of Districts... 81

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| | | | State, for each Married Woman entered on the Schedule, the number of— | Children born alive to present Marriage. (If no children born alive write "None" in Column 7.) | Personal Occupation. | Industry or Service with which worker is connected. | | | | | |
| John Buckingham | Head | 28 | Single | | | Labourer | on Farm | Works on Farm | Toddington Parish | | |
| William Buckingham | Son | 22 | Single | | | Labourer | on Farm | Works on Farm | Toddington Parish | | |
| Ann Buckingham | Head | 48 | Single | | | Housekeeper | | | Toddington Parish | | |
| Lizzie Buckingham | Daughter | 5 | | | | | | School | Toddington Parish | | |
| Floris Jellis | Granddaughter | 4 | | | | | | | Fildewick Parish | | |
| Ann Buckingham has never been married & children born out of wedlock. | | | | | | | | | | | |

(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

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| Male | Female | Persons |
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I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

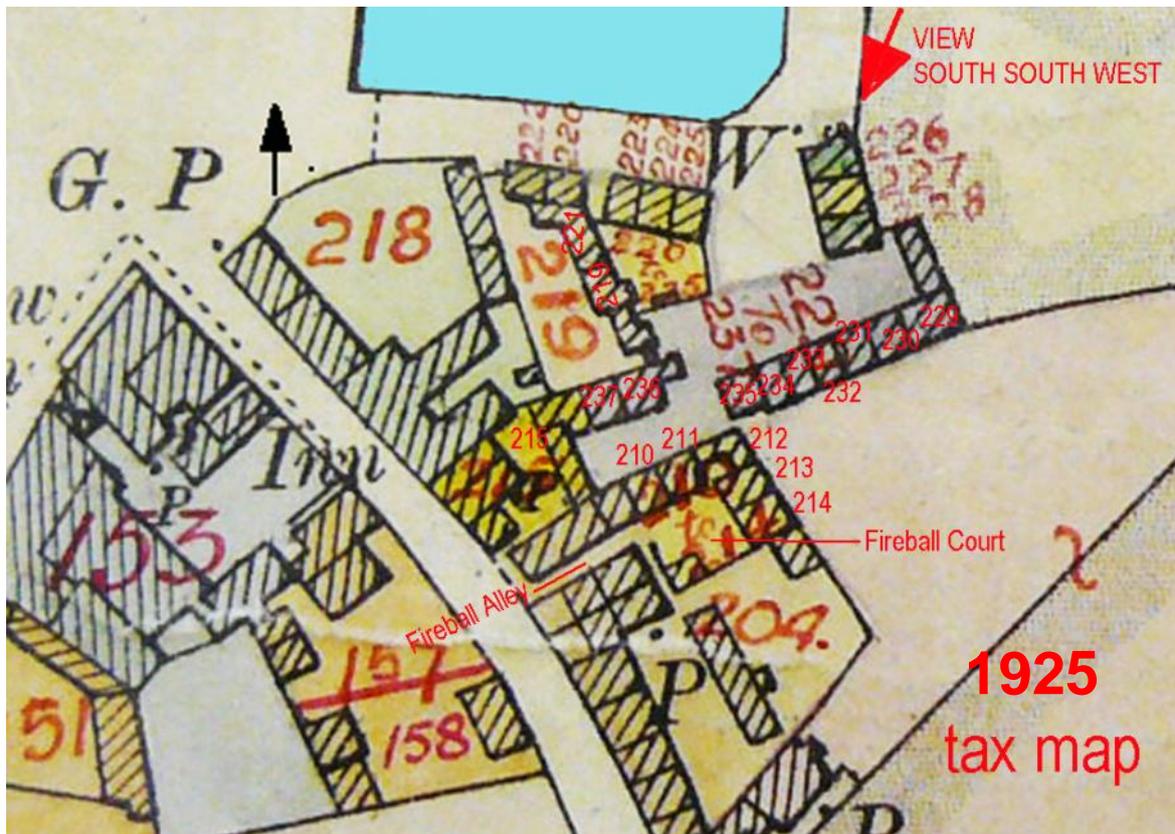
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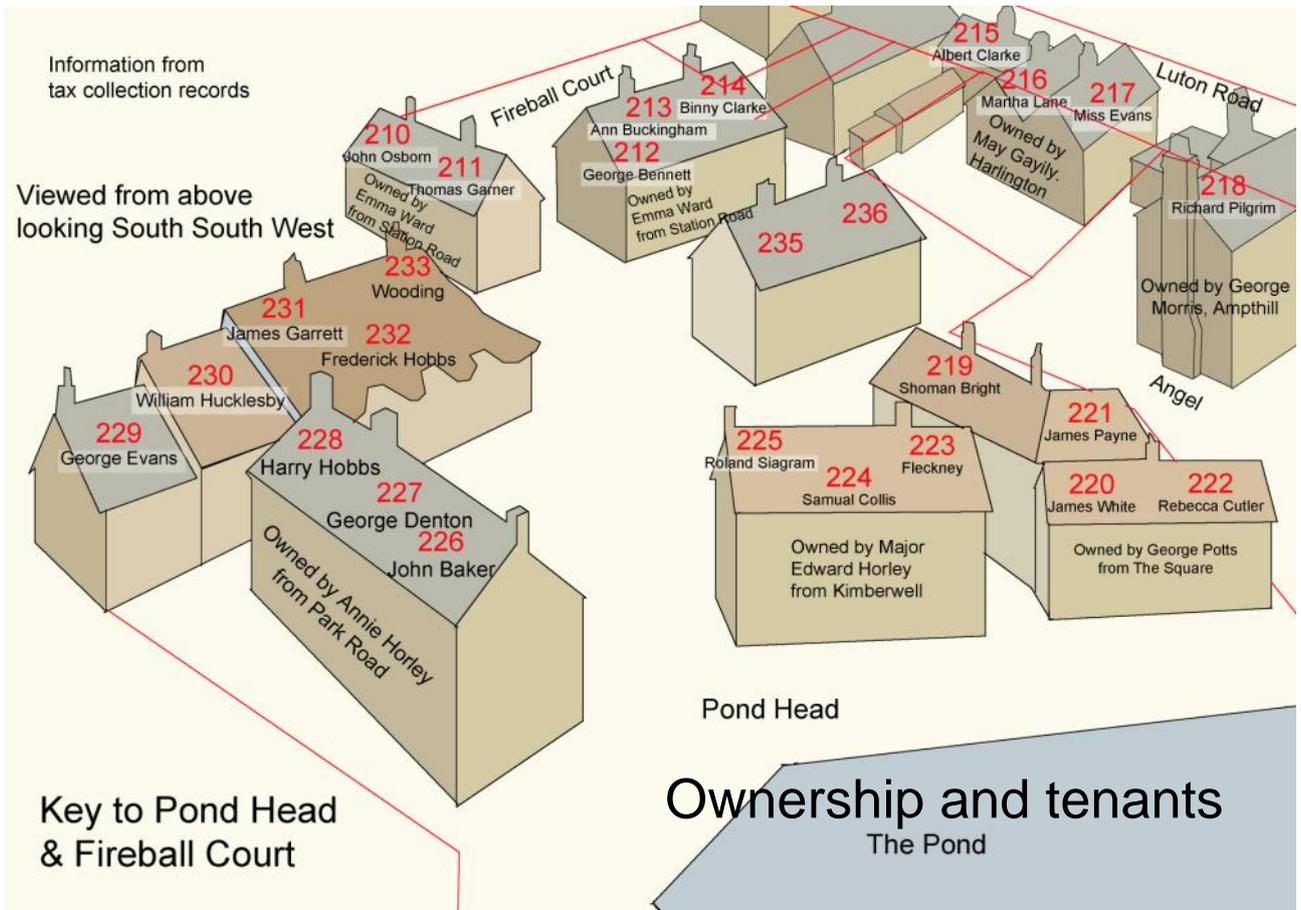
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Artist's View

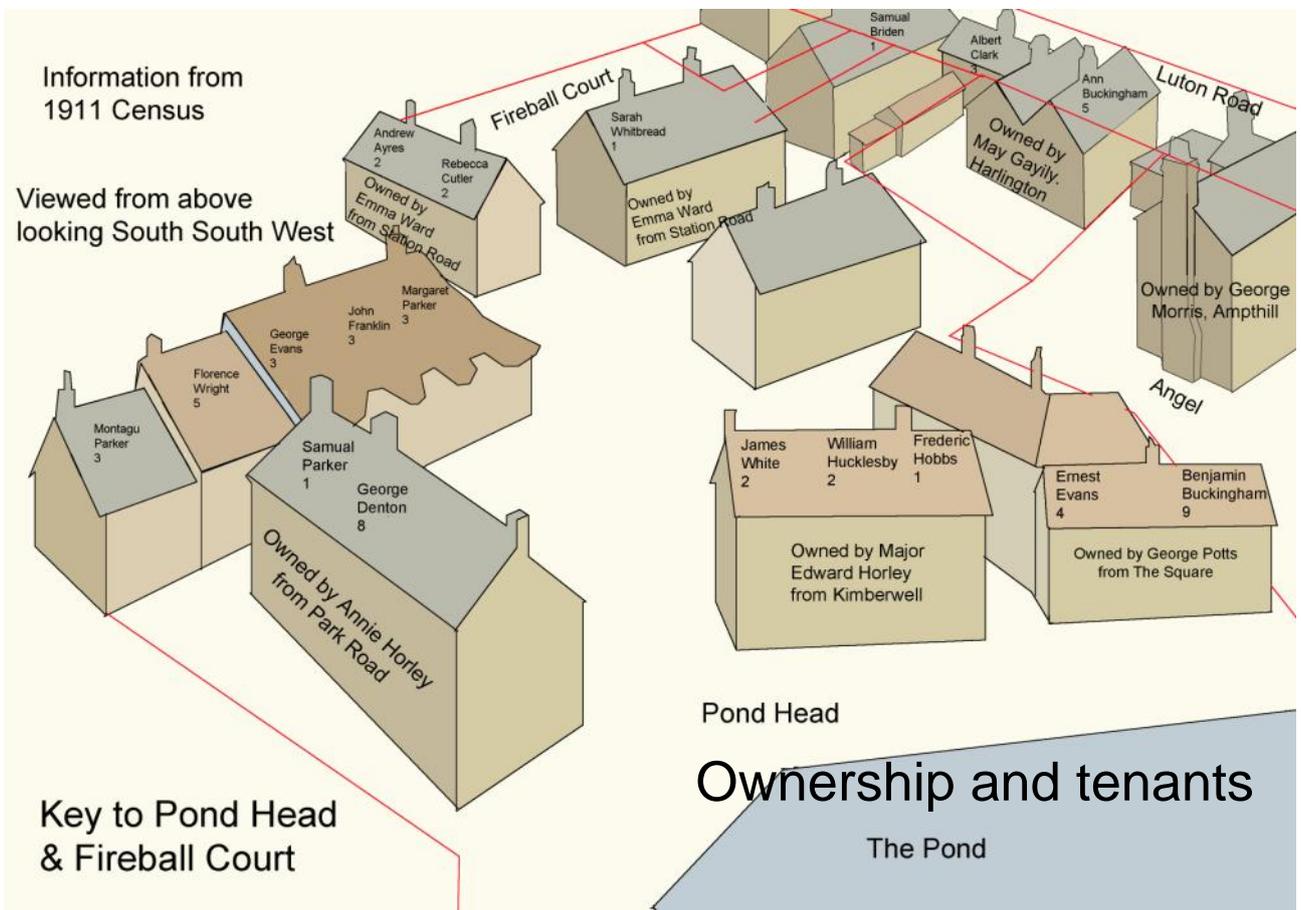
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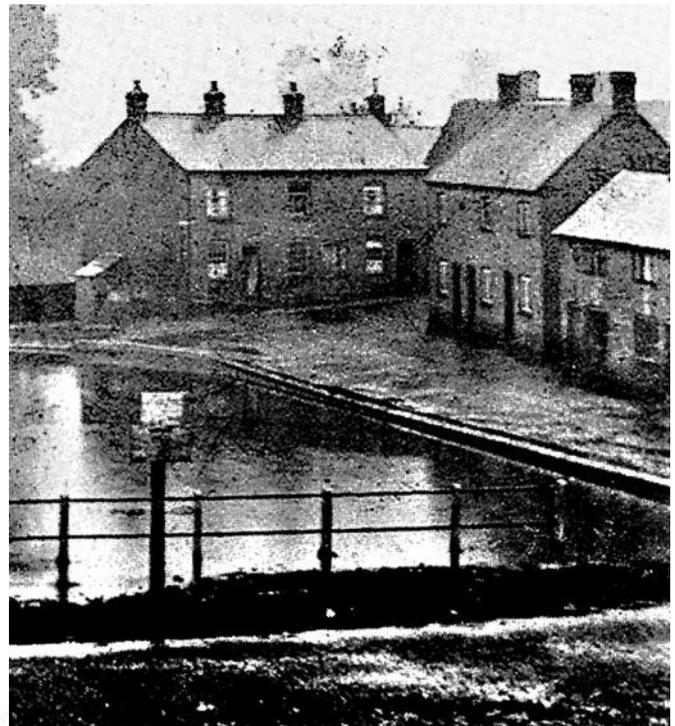
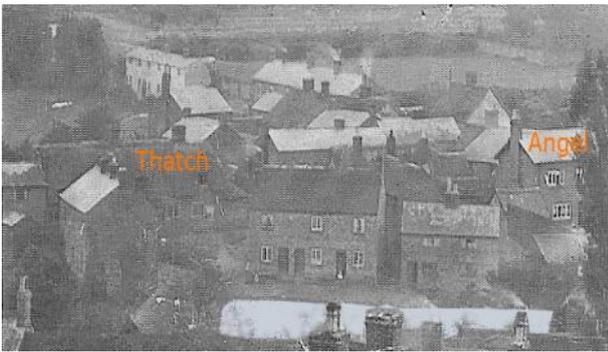




Above from 1925 Tax Map

Below from 1911 Census





Old Photos

The first two are enlargements from photos taken from the church tower so are quite blurred but give a good insight of Pond Head.

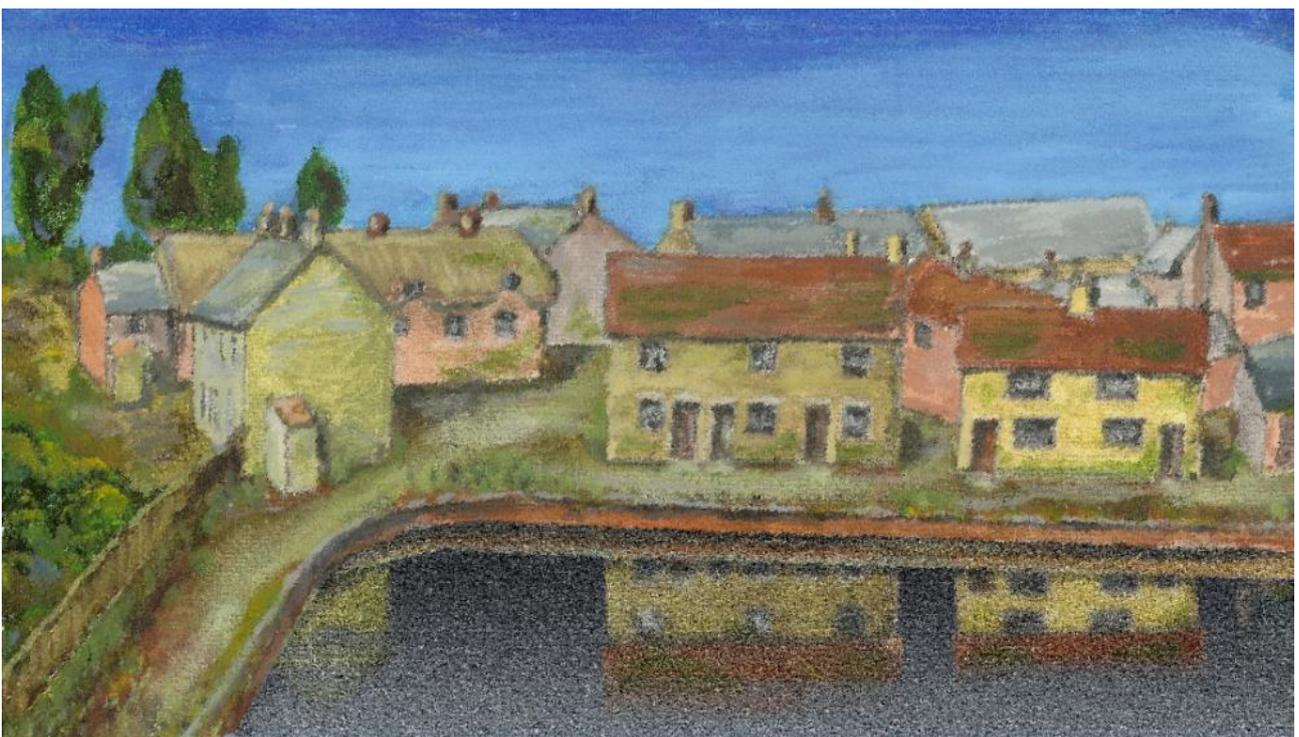
The third photo is an enlarged crop of the last photo showing the whole pond. This is a good clear photo of the start of Pond Head



Duncombe's watercolour painted in 1871 is the earliest graphic record of how the pond and the start of Pond Head looked. (courtesy of George Day)



The first reconstruction painting as would be viewed from the church tower



Sketch of how Pond Head looked, looking South. Re-created using 1882 OS map and early photos. The Angel is only remaining building on far right.

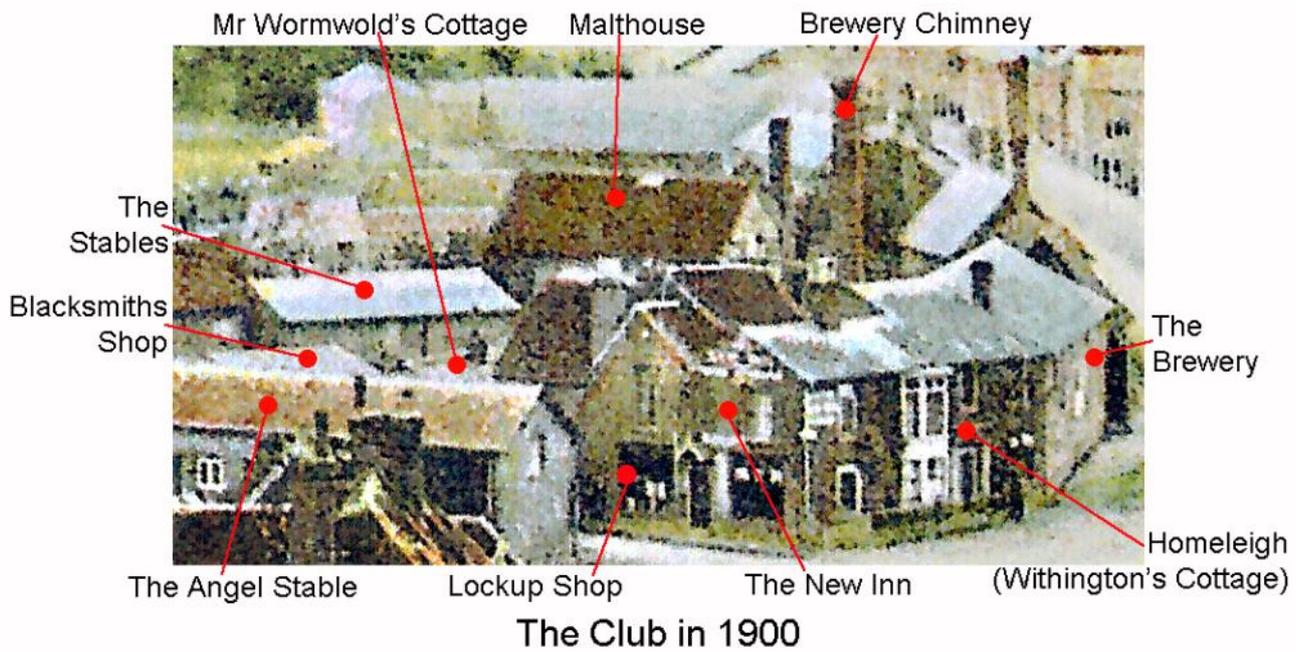


This photo does not show Pond Head but does show the cottages in Fowlers Yard which was at the rear of Wentworth House.

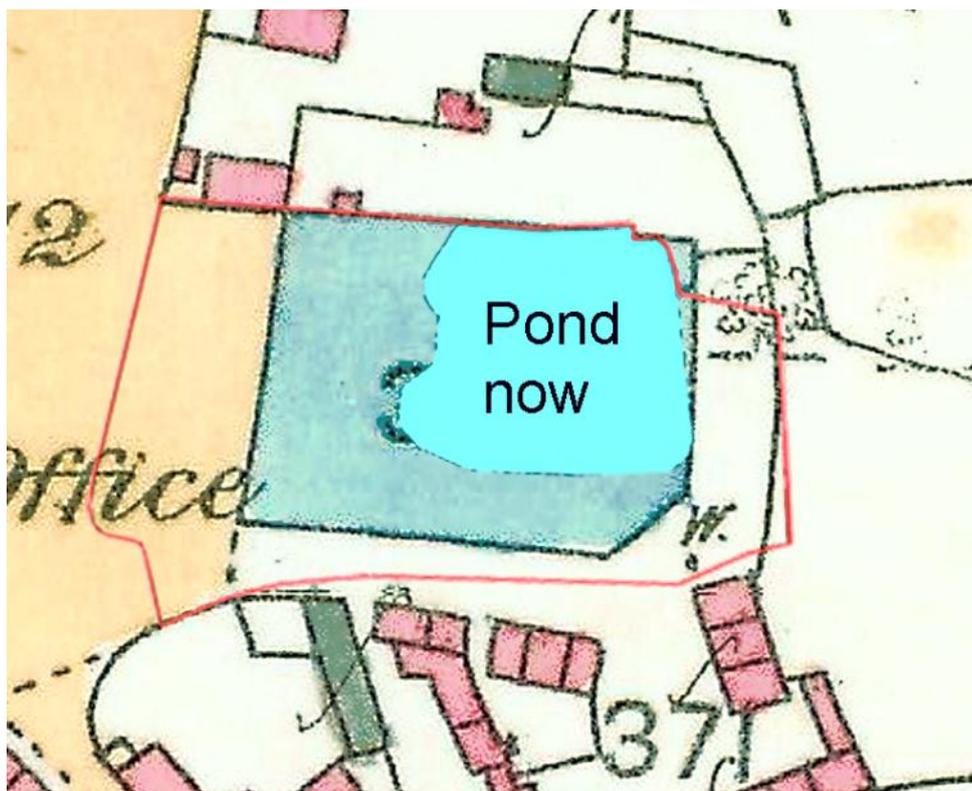
As there were two gypsy families living in Pond Head the gypsy caravan could well have been visiting relatives.

The Club at this [1925 report of drowning tragedy](#) time was

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| <p>TODDINGTON DROWNING TRAGEDY.</p> <p>Policeman's Rescue Efforts Praised.</p> <p>Yesterday's Inquest.</p> <p>A policeman's plucky and prolonged efforts to locate the whereabouts of an infant boy who was drowned in Toddington Town pond on Monday afternoon, were appreciatively commented upon by the Deputy Coroner for the Honor of Ampthill (Mr. J. Hobourn) at an inquest held at the Town Hall yesterday afternoon on the body of Christopher John Hucklesby, the two-years-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Hucklesby, of Pond Head, Toddington.</p> <p>The tragedy was the first that has occurred at the pond, a wide piece of water which has for years been used for bathing and paddling by children. The question now arises as to whether there is sufficient protection for children at what is considered by many of the inhabitants to be a danger spot.</p> <p>The mother, Mrs. Minnie Hucklesby, said she last saw deceased soon after one o'clock on Monday. When he was missed, a neighbour tried to find him in Gas-street and Luton-road, but no trace could be found. Mrs. Clarke told witness she had seen deceased playing near the pond, and witness thought he must have been</p> | <p>THE LUTON NEWS</p> <p>BLOWN IN</p> <p>because there was a strong wind blowing and it was raining hard. There was no fence round the pond; only a low wall.</p> <p>Mrs. Charlotte Clarke, Fowler's-yard, Toddington, said that whilst drawing water at the pump about 1.15, she saw "little Jackie" at the edge of the pond, stooping over the wall. Thinking he was in danger, she shouted to him, and as he got up as if he was going away, she returned to her house.</p> <p>The Coroner: Are the children in the habit of playing near the pond?—Yes. She added that the wall was dangerous, and grown-ups often shouted at children there because they were afraid they would fall in.</p> <p>Supt. James: Is it not a fact that they are always bathing there in the summer time?—Yes, and it doesn't matter how much you tell them.</p> <p>Supt. James: I should think they all ought to swim like ducks. I have seen as many as 30 in at a time. If the toddlers can't swim, the bigger ones turn them out, but they are soon in again.</p> <p>P.C. Herbert Wing, of Hockliffe, said that acting on Supt. James' instructions, he went to Toddington, and, arriving at 2.30, saw a crowd of people round the pond. Ascertaining that a boy was supposed to be in the pond, and that no attempts had been made to get him out, he obtained some old clothes, and with P.C. White, waded round the sides of the pond. This search was unsuccessful, and he then obtained a bathing costume and</p> | <p>THURSDAY, JULY 30th, 1925</p> <p>DIVED IN SEVERAL TIMES.</p> <p>He eventually found the body lying in seven feet of water two yards from the edge, and having got it out, sent for Dr. Fawcett, and had it removed to the Angel Inn. The deepest part of the pond was about seven feet. As he swam around he could not touch the bottom.</p> <p>The Coroner: To whom does the pond belong?—I believe it is the Parish Council's.</p> <p>Do they allow the children to go in it?—They always have done so since I have been about here, and that is 21 years. It is very dangerous, as the water is near the top of the wall.</p> <p>Supt. James: There would have been no danger if other children were about.</p> <p>The Coroner: But surely it is up to the Council to see to it.</p> <p>Supt. James said people had bathed there for quite a hundred years. When he first came to the district he was dumb-founded to see men bathing there.</p> <p>The Coroner, returning a verdict of "Found Drowned," said there was no notice as to how deceased got in the water.</p> <p>"I should like to compliment P.C. Wing upon the most able way he carried out his dangerous task," he said. "It was very praiseworthy, and I suggest the Superintendent should report the matter to the proper quarter."</p> |
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As mentioned at the beginning the adjacent area we know as the Club was equally congested as seen in annotated photo taken from the church tower.



1882 pond map with present pond map superimposed

By superimposing the present memorial gardens red boundary over the old map we can understand the brick line which is still visible was the original pond edge and not the foundations of the Pond Head cottages.

Finally we look at a section of the 1581 Agas map and we can see there were cottages which preceded Pond Head and one can see B and C, free to widow Leeper, were tiny cottages.

D is the Angel and there were substantial buildings there in that time.

