

## House Names in Abbots Road 1911 Compared with House Names and Numbers 2013

1911 Census Information					2013		
Census No.	House Name	Head of Household	Occupation	Rooms	House No.	House Name	Comment
50	The Limes	William Hill	Draper Retail	8	*		*Redeveloped with Post Office, hairdressers & dental surgery
51	Lindon Villas	William Henry Rendle	Schoolmaster	6	8		
52	Lindon Villas	Robert Overy	Rate Collector	6	10		
53		Laurie Elizabeth Welland	Elementary School Mistress	5	12		
54	Homeleigh	James Cook	Domestic Butler	5	14	November Cottage	
55	Emscote	Sarah Jane Darke	Private Means	4	*		*Redeveloped with houses both sides of exit road from car park
56	Homefield	Charles Coleman	Domestic Gardener	6	*		
57	Leaside	Jessie Bertha Andrew	Private Means	8	30	Leaside	
58	Claremont	Ernest John Everson	Bank Clerk	7	32	Claremont	
-	Highcliff (sic)	Uninhabited			34	Highclare	
59	Enslin	William Lewis Deacon	Retired Civil Service Clerk	8	36	Enslin	
60		John Sadler	Artist Journalist	8	46		Redeveloped
61	Fair View	Edward Charles Halsey	Railway Clerk	5	48		Old name confirmed by owner. Originally detached, now a semi.
62	Tredholme	James Stewart	Retired Coachman	5	52		
63	Benlah	Joseph William Wells	Customs Pensioner	6	54		
64	Lucian	Emma Hill	Linen Embroideress	6	78	Rushbrook	
65	Ellerbeck	Edith Hollingworth	Housekeeper Private Means	7	86		Old name confirmed by owner
66	Dunstonboro	Albert Henry Hedges	Asylum Stores	5	88		Old name confirmed by owner
67	Fern Cottage	Robert D Peckett	Superannuated Railway Clerk	7	90		
68	Yew Tree Cottage	Nathaniel Whittacker	Pensioner Retired Plumber	5	*		*Two large plots on 1924 OS map but in 1911 just one house
69		Edward William Allen	Pensioner Metropolitan Police	5	96		

70	Grassdale	William Calvert Park	Retired Bank Accountant	6	98		
71	The Knoll	George Downton Bowden	Director Blouse Manufacturer	6	38	The Knoll	
72	Holme	Richard Theophilus Groom	Assistant Schoolmaster	6	100	Holme	
73	Davaar	Henry Nixon	Discount Broker	6	102		
74		John Sidney Burrage	Builder	7	104		
75	Cogdale	Rev. Guy Passingham	Clergyman	7	106		
76	Rosebank	George Pudden	Certified Schoolmaster	6	108		
77	The Myrtles	Sarah Ann Robins	(not recorded)	7	110		
77B	The Gordons	Mrs Hardy	(away from home)		112		
78	Rothestay	Frank Leonard Bates	Attendant at Asylum	7	114	Fairport	
79	Fir Tree Cottage	John Mann	Attendant on the Insane	5	116		See Parish archive for 1908 photo of fir tree in front garden of 116 and family outside 120
80		Elizabeth Ann Wright	Widow Private Means	7	118		
81	Mayfield	Thomas Gayton White	Railway Clerk	7	120		
82		Anna May Wright	(not recorded)	7	122		Husband George; absent in 1911
83	Feniscowles	Kate Fanny Gallaher	Widow Private Means	8	124		Feniscowles is a village in Lancs.
84	Park View	John Barker	Police Pensioner	7	126		
85	The Crossways	William Farrington Baxter	Merchant	7	130	The Crossways	
86	Ayrcot	Edward John Alment	Chemical Manufacturer	11	132		
87	Ivydean	Emily Hall	Private Means	9	134		
88	Woodmancote	George Moss Sadler	Merchant Clerk	8	136		
89	Doon	Rueben Moss	Retired Elementary Teacher	7	138		
90	Hurst Side	Colin Edward Reader	Commercial Traveller	7	140		
91	Alva	Georgina Jackson	Widow	7	142		
92	Alloa	Kate Alice Phillips	Sick Nurse	7	144		
93	Brae Villa	Alfred Frank Gardner	Accounts Clerk	6	146		
94	The Briars	Flora Gardner	Assistant School Mistress	6	148	The Briars	
95	Ryber	Edward Samuel Higgins	Underwriter Marine Insurance	10	150	Ryber	
96	Groveland	William Luck	Dealer and Carter	6	*		* These houses appear to have been substantially altered or redeveloped since 1911
97	Airedale	Leonard Luck	Night Gate Porter	3	*		
98	Hazelmere	Richard Thomas Gardner	Daughtsman	7	*		
99		William Norvell	Clerk to School Trust	5	*		

100	Maple Cottage	George Henry Purney	Merchant Clerk	5	131	The Flint House	
101	Brooklyn	Eli James Cooper	Railway Clerk	8	129		Old name confirmed by owner
102	Ashleigh	John Harry Beaver	Bedstead Manufacturer	6	*		*Redeveloped with two houses
103	Hillbank	Douglas Elyard Brown	Director Electrical Engineer	9	125	Hillbank House	
104	Abbotsford	Henry van Somerson	Barrister	10	*		*Redeveloped with houses set back from frontage (113-123)
105	The Nursery	Henry John Wallace	Nurseryman	4	*		
106	Glencairn	John James Benny	Master Printer	10	109		
107		William Hutchins	Retired Grocery Manager	6	105		Owner confirmation: house built in 1884. Name: Selbourne
108	Hazeleigh	William Williams	China Glass Salesman	5	179		Also called Green Haven
109	Asplin Mount	Alice Essie Mirrington	Typist Translator	6	181		
110	Clovelly	Edward Herrmann	Merchant Bank Clerk	6	183	Dexter House	Old name confirmed by owner
111 to 117	Booksellers' Provident Retreat	George Richard Stevens Sarah A Goodman Priscilla Aylott Selina Smart Harriet Goodchild Thomas Lock Robert Rogers	Retired Bookseller Annuitant   None  Gardener Domestic	4 4 4 4 4 4	--	The Retreat	The records indicate there were 7 dwellings in the Booksellers' Retreat plus The Lodge on the entrance. Apartment No. 5 may have been vacant at the time of the census

Notes:

1. The 1874 OS map shows Abbots Road to be mainly rural. There is a semidetached pair of houses close to the High Street which exist today and a small dwelling named as 'Maple Cottage' about half way down the hill on the main stretch of road leading to Gallows Hill. This building also survives and is easily identified on modern maps and on the ground. It has been extended within the last 20 years and is now called 'The Flint House' at 131 Abbots Road. On the old map it is shown to be opposite the corner of a large orchard and today it is opposite a house named 'Orchard End'. At the bottom of the hill on the 1874 map is the 'Booksellers Provident Retreat'. In 1874 there were a total of 3 houses in Abbots Road excluding The Retreat.
2. The 1898 OS map shows more residential development at the High Street end, and on the north and west sides of the 'T' junction up to what is now called Parsonage Close, and sporadically down towards Maple Cottage. About 100 metres up the hill from the cottage were glasshouses on a large

plot of land which was almost certainly a nursery. Further down the road near the bottom of the hill on the south side two houses had been built, now numbered 179 and 181 Abbots Road. In 1898 there were 42 houses in Abbots Road excluding The Retreat.

3. The 1911 Census comprised individual forms completed by the occupants themselves and sequentially numbered by the Enumerator. The sequencing is slightly baffling. For example, The Knoll and Enslin (numbered 36 & 38 today) are adjacent, but on the Enumerator's schedule there are twelve other entries between them. It appears that the Enumerator bypassed The Knoll, turned right into the cul-de-sac where he delivered twelve forms before returning to The Knoll. Further down the hill there was another loop. The Enumerator crossed the road at or near Maple Cottage, then went up the hill past Hillbank and the nursery before returning downhill again towards The Retreat. The breaks in the sequencing where the Enumerator appeared to have crossed the road or changed direction are shown in this schedule by double lines across the columns. The number of rooms recorded in the 1911 Census included the kitchen, but excluded the scullery, landing, lobby, closet and bathroom. There were 63 houses in Abbots Road in 1911 excluding The Retreat.
4. The 1924 OS map shows more residential development. The High Street end has another pair of semis and a large building on the corner (The Limes). The glasshouses on the nursery land have been replaced with houses and there is more residential development west of Maple Cottage and on the orchard land. Two more houses appear at the bottom of the hill creating a group of four, but in the 1911 census there were only three dwellings here. By discussion with the present day owners it has been possible to establish which of these four houses was constructed after 1911 and therefore not included in the census. In total there were 83 houses in Abbots Road excluding The Retreat.