Kelly's Directory 1931

WINTERBOURNE EARLS (or WINTERBOURNE) is a parish and village in the Bourne valley, 2 miles south-west from Porton station on the Southern railway, 3½ miles north from Salisbury and 6 south from Amesbury; it is in the Salisbury division of the county, Alderbury hundred, Salisbury and Amesbury petty sessional division, Amesbury rural district, Salisbury county court district, rural deanery of Amesbury (Alderbury portion) archdeaconry and diocese of Salisbury.

The church of St Michael, erected in 1868 for this parish and that of Winterbourne Dauntsey, near the site of the former churches, is a fine building of flint and stone in the Early English style, consisting of chancel, nave of three bays, south porch, south aisle and an embattled tower with pinnacles, containing 5 bells, and a clock, the gift of Richard Blake, esq; the east window and others in the chancel are stained; a new organ was provided in 1913; there are 287 sittings.

The register of this parish dates from 1557, that of Winterbourne Dauntsey from 1561.

The living is a vicarage, with Winterbourne Dauntsey and the rectory of Winterbourne Gunner annexed, joint net yearly value £603, with residence, in the alternate gift of the Bishop of Salisbury and the Lord Chancellor, and held since 1897 by the Rev Frank Elcho Skyrme M.A. of Brasenose College, Oxford, who is also rural dean of Amesbury (Alderbury portion).

The poor of this parish participate in Tanner's charity (see Winterbourne Gunner), and also in Cartwright's charity. The hamlet of HURDCOTT, half a mile south, consists of a large number of cottages. There is a small Wesleyan chapel.

E Munkhouse Fort esg., who is lord of the manor of Winterbourne Earls, and George Bright, esg., are the chief landowners.

The soil is chalk; subsoil, same.

The chief crops are wheat, barley and roots.

The area is 1,703 acres

The population in 1921 was 250 in the civil and 409 in the ecclesiastical parish.

Parish Clerk, Enos Pearcy.

Letters through Salisbury. Winterbourne Gunner nearest M O & T office.

Gentry/Private Residents/Traders Marked * farm 150 acres or over

Surname	Given Name	Industry/Occupation
Bright	George, sen	South Croft
Edward, Flt Lt	Robert Leslie	The Poplars, Hurdcott
Hickman	Leslie Blackford	The Cottage
Hollick	Frederick	Fairfield
Skyrme. Rev	Frank Elcho	Vicar
*Bright	George, sen	Farmer
Bright	George, jun	Farmer, TN Winterbourne Gunner 4
Ewence, Mrs	Sarah	Dairy, Hurdcott
Goddard, Mrs	Alice & Sons	Farmers, Hurdcott
Gilbert	Walter	Farmer
Harvey	Oscar Baker	Farmer
Lailey	Arthur Ernest	Builder
Lowe, Mrs	Ethel	Black Horse, Hurdcott
Pearcy	Enos	Parish Clerk
Vale	Norman Herbert	Farmer, Hurdcott
Yates	Victor	Motor Engineer
Yates, Mrs	Gwendoline	Shopkeeper