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The house is believed to have been built in the mid-1700s. Comments from other archive sources in italics.

31 December 1842

The property was owned by Ryley Williams, who lived in Kent and held a three-quarter share and Susannah Wadbrook, a spinster who held the other quarter and lived in Surrey. On this date they sold the property to William Wadbrook of Kingston-on-Thames for £160, with the proceeds split 75:25 to the joint owners.

It was stated to be in the late occupation of Sarah Hideman.

Sarah was a person of some standing according to the 1852 directory; she also lived at another time in 60 Church Road, and she had pew 15 in St Mary's Church.

1868

William Wadbrook raised a mortgage of £600 from William Freeland paying £5 2s 6d. per £100 interest

Abstract (summary) of title confirms these above transactions

19 January 1871

William Wadbrook defaulted on the mortgage, so William Freeland put it up for sale by auction at the Crown Hotel on 12 December 1870. John Johnson, *the tenant after Sarah Hideman*, paid £155 for the interest *which was ownership subject to the mortgage*.

The property was described as being bounded on two sides by public roads, High Street and Church Road, and on one side by property owned by Charles Davis (currently 107 High Street), and on the other side by property owned by Joseph Frampton, beer-seller (currently 111 High Street). (Frampton almost certainly plied his trade close to Frampton's Alley at 11 High Street.). 111 High Street was probably not residential (lacking windows) but a barn for storage with a door in the 'garden' wall. Frampton let the property to Richard Davis, whose family owned and ran the Chequers Inn at that time on the opposite corner of Friday Lane. Richard was the licensee there from 1891-8.

The property was stated to be (have an area of) 39 perches equal to 0.25 acres. Google Earth estimates the site to Church Road to be 18 metres x 50 metres, very close to 0.25 acres.

19 September 1894 and memoranda from 1905

John Johnson sold his interest to Charles Davis, stonemason, for £155, the price that he had paid in 1871. It is not clear what has happened to William Freeland's mortgage interest.

There are two memoranda inscribed on this document. The first, dated 27 April 1905 records that (a plot of) 38 feet 6 inches width and 81 feet depth fronting Church Road of Charles Davis's interest passed to Ernest Sheldon, and the second, dated 8 August 1905, that (a plot of) 21 feet six inches width and 81 feet depth fronting Church Road of Charles Davis's interest passed to James White. These two widths are more or less equal to the 18 metre frontage referred to above. These two memoranda record the sale of the Church Road frontage to Ernest Sheldon who had a motorcycle shop here; and as a residence for James White of the White and Welford milk round which was run from the site of the current 30AA Church Road. The Archive 1911 census work has White at 96 Church Road and Sheldon at 94 Church Road.