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The Crest.

37. High Street.

This house was bought by us from Mrs Read in 1967.
She still lives in Wheatley and is a great-grandmother.

Miss Casemore, whose grave is in the churchyard, & who died in 1921 at the age of 89 was a previous owner - Buried in the same grave is Ellen Gunn who lived in All Souls Cottage in the High Street. She was maid to Miss Casemore, & we knew her till the year of her death in 1974. Ellen Gunn told me (J. May) that for 26 years she lived in with Miss Casemore, sleeping in one of the attic rooms, and always washed in frozen water in winter. Ellen Gunn was very intelligent and literate and enjoyed the company of people who could talk about general affairs and local government. She referred to her own landlords as "All Souls & Fisheries". She visited this house & was pleased that it had not been structurally altered, except the addition of a bathroom and lavatory on the first floor.

The house is listed, and we had to have permission for the building of the bathroom, which does not deface the frontage.

The house was insured by Thomas Guy a year, in 1797, with The Royal Exchange Insurance Company.