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BEDFORDSHIRE

How to search the listings.

Where relevant, the dates of the records we hold are noted. Please note that the reference number after the place name is the library catalogue number, which you can use for reference if requesting a search in a particular record or if visiting in person.

Once in the relevant county listing page you can either chose to scroll down the page manually or you may wish to search for a particular word or place using the “control” and “F” search facility.

How to use the search facility

1. Press the key marked “Ctrl” or “Control” at the same time as pressing down the “F” key on your keyboard. This will bring up a search box.
2. Then enter the name of the parish or word you wish to search for in the search box and click on “find next”. The first relevant entry will be highlighted for you in the main text.
3. To find the next relevant entry you can repeat the process by clicking “Find next” again.

HS = Harleian Society Ph = Phillimore Collection mf =microfiche

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St Peter (Ph2)	Marriages	1583-1837
Caddington	Church Notes	
Chalgrave	Wills PCC	1383-1548
	Court Roll	1278 - 1313
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Luton, History of		
Studham Ph3	Marriages	1570-1776

County Wide Records

www.bedscc.gov.uk/archive	Gaol Register	
Bedfordshire	Hearth Tax Returns	1671
Bedfordshire (mf)	Marriage Licences	1740-1848
Bedfordshire	Muster Lists	1539 – 1831
Bedfordshire	Parish Poor Law Papers	1622 – 1834
Bedfordshire (CD236)	Parish Register Index	- 1812
Bedfordshire	Strays Index	
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Bedford Directory, including parishes of Biddenham, Goldington and Kempston, 1928	T 10
Kelly's Directory of Bedford and neighbourhood, 1949-50	T 170
Kelly's Directory of Bedford and neighbourhood, 1955	T 261

Wills

Archdeaconry of Bedford Wills 1480-1857 and Admons 1670-1857 (BRS 104 + 5)
Bedfordshire Wills in PCC 1383-1548

Other

Basket Making In Bedfordshire. T.W Bagshaw

Bedfordshire. C. Gore Chambers 1917

Guide to the Bedfordshire Record Office 1957

Miscellaneous newspaper cuttings relating to Bedfordshire in the 1920s

Notes and Extracts from the County Records

- Comprised in the Quarter Sessions Rolls (Vol 1) 1714 - 1832
- A Calendar of Volume 1 of the Sessions Minute Book (Vol 2)1651 - 1660
- A Calendar of old deeds found in the County Muniment Room
- Index to the documents contained in the Muniment Room (Vol.3)