**WANTAGE & ABINGDON CIRCUIT**

**WANTAGE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Documents Archived in 1986 Accession 2593**

XXXIII/1 Register of attendance, Wantage Wesleyan Methodist Band of Hope,  
1887-1898. (1 volume)

XXXIV/i Trustees’ Minute books, Wantage Wesleyan Methodist, later Methodist church,  
1905-1969. (1 volume)

XXXIV/ii Leaders Meeting minute books, Wantage Wesleyan Methodist, later Methodist church,  
1883-1977. (4 volumes)

XXXIV/iii Combined minute books and account books, various bodies including chapel stewards, chapel secretary and trustees, Wantage Wesleyan Methodist, later Wantage Methodist church, 1878-1942. XXIV/iii/1 includes accounts and minutes of Letcombe Regis trustees, 1916-1939.  
(2 volumes)

XXXIV/iii Account books, Wantage Wesleyan Methodist, later Wantage Methodist church, inc. trustees Sunday School, pew rents, church collections, 1896-1970.  
(4 volumes)

Deed relating to a messuage in Back Street, Wantage, with plot of garden ground and one third share in a backside belonging to three messuages, 1763. (1 item)

XXXV/ii Deeds relating to four messuages on west side of Newbury Street in Wantage and one acre of pasture ground in Wantage, later four messuages only. (One deed refers also to two cottages at East Ilsley, Berks.) 1763-1838. (16 items)

XXXV/iii Deeds relating to messuage on west side of Newbury Street in Wantage, with brewhouse, backside and range of buildings behind the message. Messuage &c was later divided into six cottages. 1785-1851. (7 items)

XXXV/iv Will probate devising messuages and lands in Wantage,  
relates to XXXV/ii-iii, 1820/21. (1 item)

XXXV/v List of members of Wantage Methodist church serving  
in H.M. forces in (1939-45) war. (1 item)

NB. For records of the Wesleyan Methodist day school in Wantage, deposited as part of Acc. 2593, see schools index (T/S)

**Documents Archived November 2006 Accession 5596**

XXXIV/ Register of Baptisms, Wantage Wesleyan Methodist, later Methodist church,  
1913-1967. (1 volume)

**Documents Archived April 2007 None**

**Documents Archived September 2007 None**

**Documents Archived May 2008 None**

**Documents Archived in March 2009 Accession 5825**

1. Bargain and sale dated 1st October 1844 of 4 messuages …   
   for the purpose of converting … into a Wesleyan Chapel.
2. Conveyance dated 17th December 1852 of Heredits in Newbury Street and Back Street.  
   (*This was for the old manse*).
3. Conveyance dated 7th June 1856 of two messuages Back Street.  
   (*This was related to the Wesleyan Day and Sabbath School*).
4. Grant and release of freehold ground dated 1st July 1857 …   
   for purposes of Wesleyan Day and Sabbath School.

**Documents Archived September 2009 Accession 5900**

1. Book of Quotations published for Wantage Wesleyan Church Fete. (1930?).
2. Wesley Guild Variety Entertainment programme and cast photograph. (1934).
3. Some church newsletters (1959, 1966, 1973, 1995)..
4. 150 years Anniversary Celebrations: Flower Festival programme. (1995).
5. 150 years Anniversary Celebrations: Songs of Praise programme. (1995).
6. Oxford & Leicester District Synod Agenda May 1970..
7. Wantage & Abingdon Circuit plan & Directory January to April 1973..

**Documents Archived August 2011 Accession 6023**

1. Booklet entitled “a brief history of women’s work.

**Documents Archived May 2013 Accession 6174**

* 1. Minute Book of the Trustees Meeting (10 December 1969 to   
     30 October 1975) and the Property & Finance Committee (30 October 1975  
     to 28 September 1992).
  2. One box containing:  
     (a) Wantage Church Newsletter (1961 to 1983);  
     (b) Wantage & Abingdon Circuit Preaching Plans (1977 to 1983)  
     (c) Carol Service Orders (1957 to 1978);  
     (d) Easter Offering Account Book (1936 to 1963);  
     (e) Community Rolls ( 1978,1980, 1981)  
     (f) Sundry loose papers
  3. A photograph of Frank Shepherd, a Methodist Local Preacher, in the   
     pulpit of Wantage Methodist Church taken in the late 1950s (?)..

**Documents Archived February 2014 Accession 6250**

1. Minute Book of Joint Church Council (with Grove) (31 May 1977 to 3 June 1979)  
   and Wantage Church Council (9 July 1979 to 17 October 1989).
2. Minute File of Church Council and Annual General Meeting   
   (8 February 1990 to 29 October 2001).
3. Minute File of Church Council and Annual General Meeting   
   (18 February 2002 to 9 April 2006).
4. Minute File of Church Council and Annual General Meeting   
   (21 June 2006 to 28 March 2010).
5. Wallet containing CDs of minutes and reports (2005-2010)

**Documents Archived September 2016 Accession 6503**

1. A folder relating to 18 Newbury Street.
2. A folder with various papers concerning the redevelopment of the church hall   
   (1987 to 1998).
3. A folder with various papers concerning the redevelopment of the church hall   
   (1994 to 1996).

**Documents Archived June 2018 Accession 6714**

1. Pre-Registration Title Deeds
2. Building Scheme 1989 to 1992.

**Documents Archived August 2023 Accession 7090**

1. A black ring binder containing Church Council Minute File (July 2010 to June 2015).  
   This also contains Annual Reports covering the same period.
2. Risk Management Manual (November 2006)
3. Two Wesleyan Methodist Registers of Baptisms (1837-1874) and (1874-1913).  
   These are currently on loan to Rev John Rowland and will be added to this accession when they are returned.