

Notes on the History of  
Little Berkhamstead  
Church

Its Monuments, Advowson,  
Registers, Rectors, Glebe,  
Tithes, Charities, &c

Collected by C.E. Johnston,  
1908.

This is a hardcover notebook, measuring nine inches long by seven inches wide, containing 111 lined pages, numbered in pencil at the top right of each page, on the face only, so there are 222 surfaces, although some are blank.

The title on the front cover is "Notes on the History of Little Berkhamstead Church" but ranges further and it is more like a scrap book of Mr Johnston's researches.

There is an index at the front of the book and although there are a few typed pages, as well as some newspaper or magazine cuttings pasted in, most of the content is in Mr Johnston's own hand-writing, which increases the historical interest, as Charles Johnston has been by far the most thorough of the various historians who have contributed to the recorded history of the village and whose own life was not without interest.

The notebook was thought to be lost and has only just very recently been found, in the Church safe, but it is now well over a hundred years old and is in quite a fragile condition, which presents something of a problem when considering how best to record its contents for posterity.

As can be seen above, we have scanned the outside hard cover but dealing necessarily very carefully with the 200-odd individual pages will require some equipment which we don't yet have and will take a considerable amount of time, so it will have to be delayed until the rest of the site has been completed.