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2024

# TEMPLE HOUSE

63 Broad Street, Lyme Regis

Temple House has the style of an early Georgian town house, but lacking the classical proportions. The property sits on the foot print of, and is likely to contain the structure of, an earlier 16<sup>th</sup> century, two-storey house, the back wall of which would have been the rear wall of today's reception.

We believe that the earlier building was up-dated in the Georgian style between 1730 and 1760 using the original building's outer structure and existing cellars. An extension was built to the rear, doubling the depth of the building from Broad Street and creating a double roof with valley. The front of the building was further modernised in the third quarter of the 18<sup>th</sup> century by the addition of a two-brick deep facing; this rises up to, and includes, the parapet wall at roof level. In the early 19<sup>th</sup> century, the interior of the main building had a Regency make-over to give the interior we see today. The front windows as seen today are Victorian copies likely to have been installed after the great fire of 1844 in Lyme Regis when damage to the building was reported.



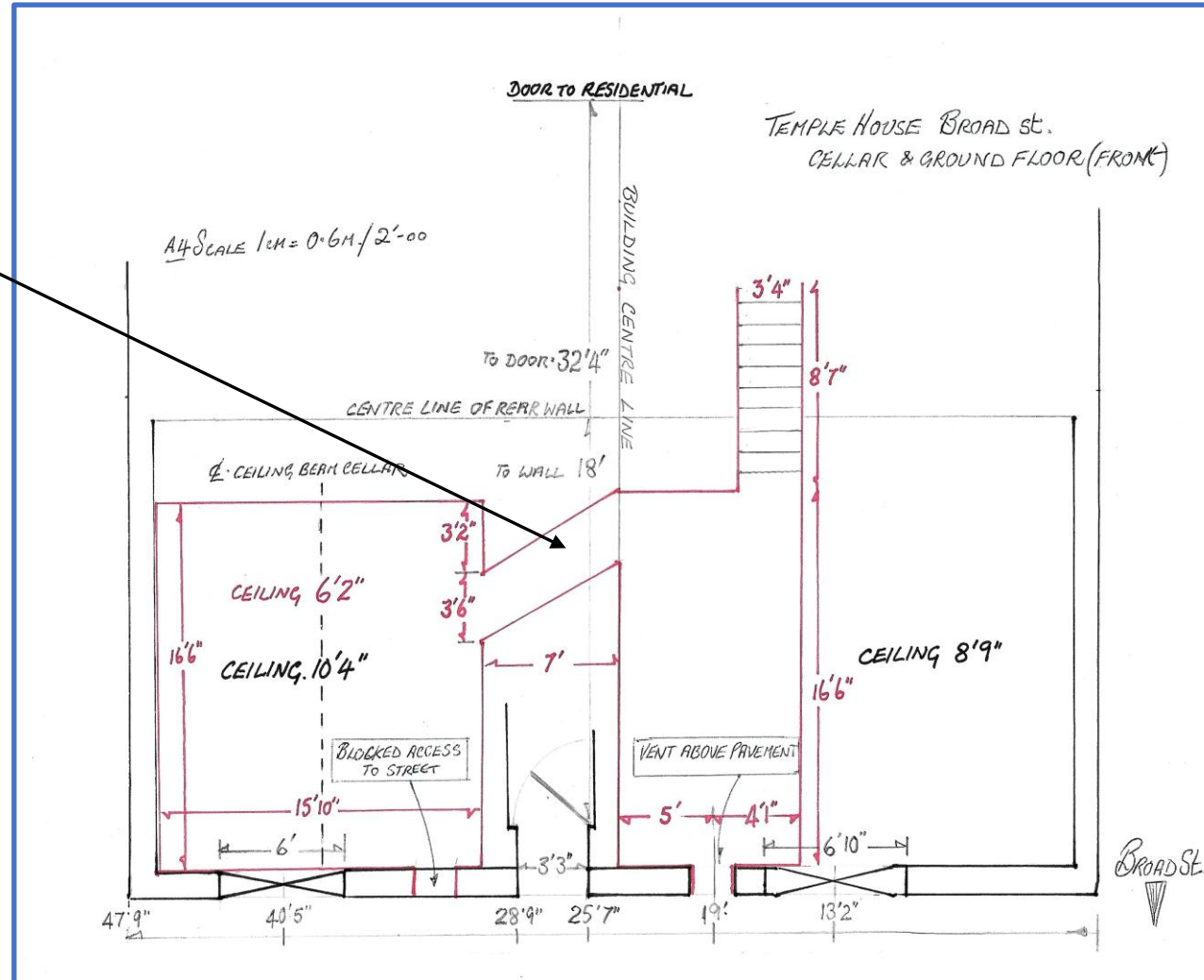
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Cellar & Ground Floor (front)



Vaulted ceiling of the connecting passage uses early bricks and timber infill, both not used in this way by the early 18<sup>th</sup> century

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The ceiling beam in the cellar is typical of that used throughout the 16<sup>th</sup> C, but was out of fashion by the mid 17<sup>th</sup>



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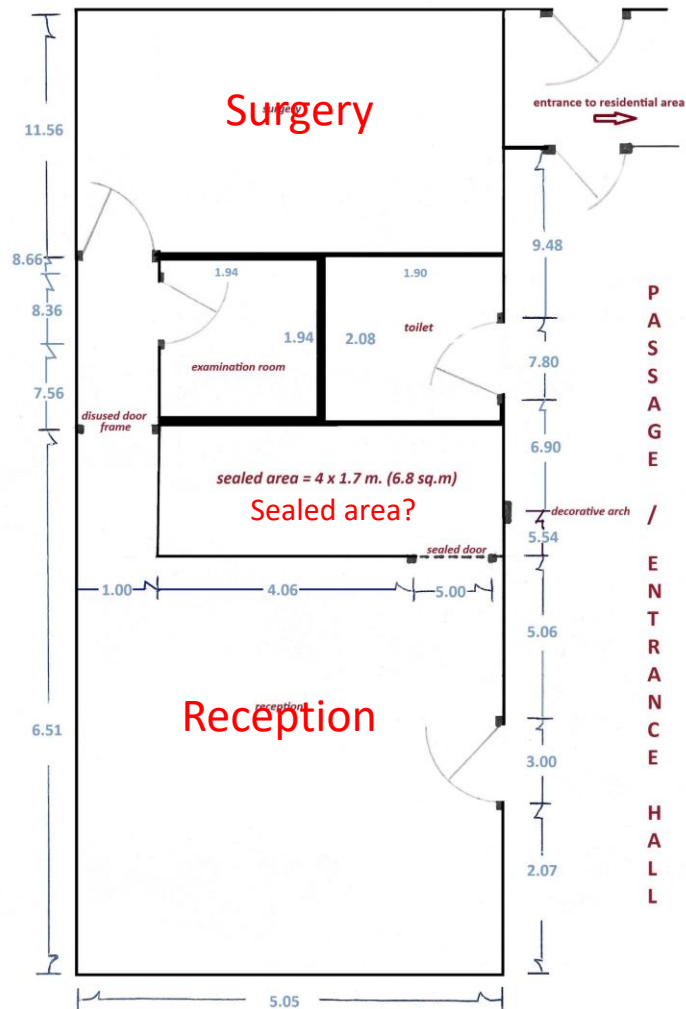
These windows and shutters, at the rear of the present house, originate from the Georgian makeover and extension of the earlier building in the mid 18<sup>th</sup> century.



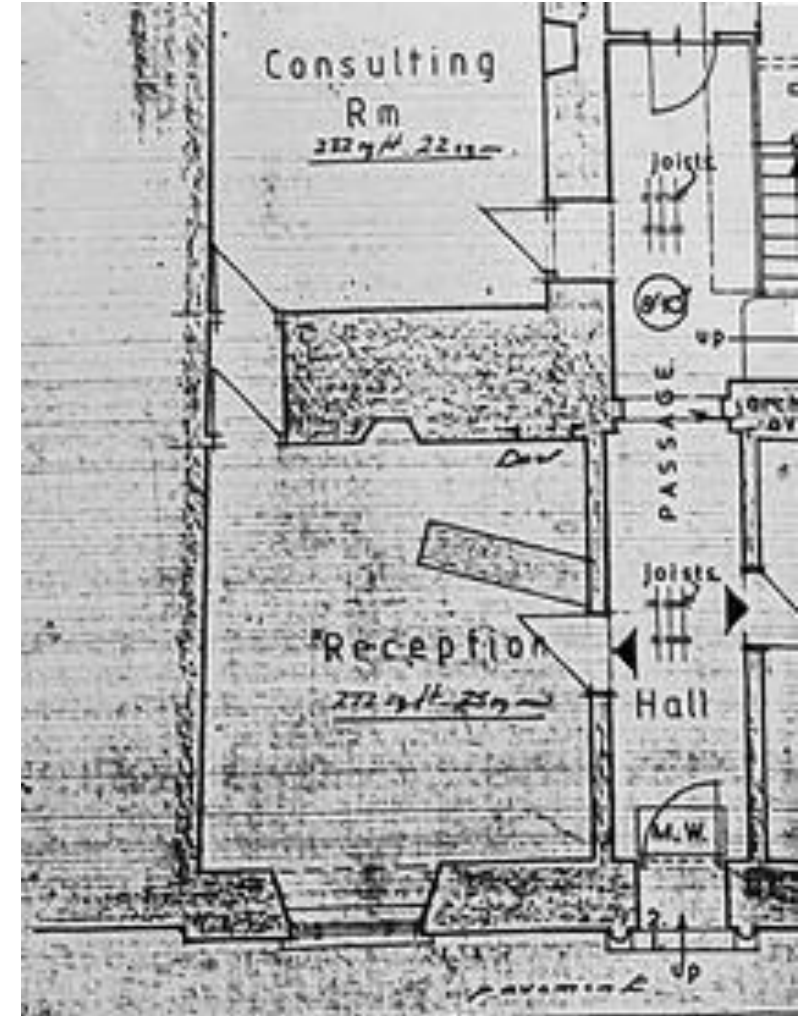
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TEMPLE HOUSE - GROUND FLOOR - left area



The reception wall conceals a fireplace and chimney breast, presumably done during the refurbishment as a dental clinic.



Extract from plan  
dated 1998





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## TIMELINE - Domestic

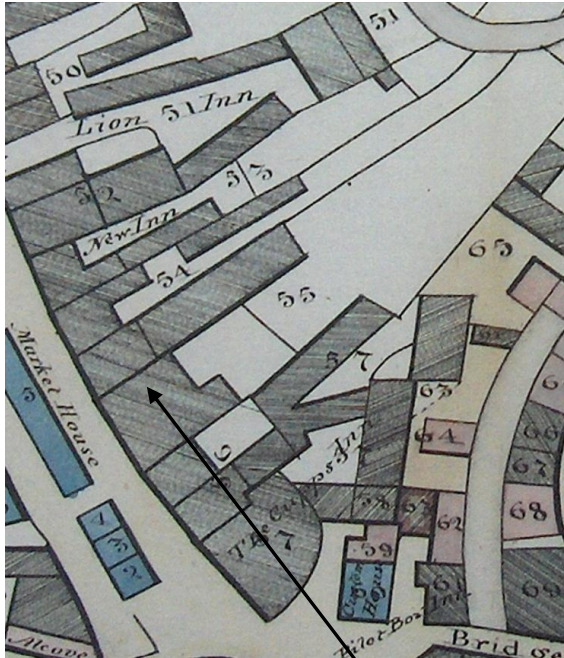
1820-44	John Templeman
1871-86	Isaac Marsh
1888	Mrs Easton
1888-93	Rev Charles Myers
1898-1901	Miss Cordelia Treeby
1903-13	Mrs Ellen Paine
1914-16	Edgar Olyve Yerbury, dentist
1918-21	Thomas Henry Taylor, dentist
1923-46	George Burt Geake, dentist
1946-59	Derrick Sanders, dentist
1965-76	J D Martineau, Lower Flat
1967-74	Warman family, First Floor
C1998	Lower & first floor flats combined, together with cellar, and sold as a single residential unit.

## TIMELINE - Commercial

1935-2001	Kitson & Trotman, Solicitors
1950-89	Dr A Fernandez
1959-2001	L F Webb, Building Design/Survey
1967-74	Lentells, Accountants
2002-24	Lyme Bay Dental Clinic

The timeline refers to known dates that a person(s) or business occupies a property. Unless stated, no distinction is made between owner or tenant. Occupations may well extend beyond the known timeline.

# TEMPLE HOUSE



Town map 1825



Tithe Map 1841

Temple House

John Templeman Esq  
1830-1844

Made freeman of the town in 1821

Tithe Apportionment (Ref 60)  
James Loveridge (owner)/John Templeman (tenant)  
House offices & garden 0-1-13

**Town Fire of 1844** – over 50 buildings destroyed.  
*Temple House only partly destroyed.*  
**Insurance** – Mr Templeman was paid £80 for damage to house contents.  
James Loveridge was paid £500 towards damage to house.

At Bath, at a very advanced age, after a short illness Mrs. Templeman, wife of John Templeman, Esq. of Lyme Regis, and Pulteney-street, Bath.

County Gazette 25 May 1839



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Isaac & Jane Marsh  
1871-1886

1881 Census

Isaac Marsh	head	Mar 73	Retired Bank Manager	London Bishopsgate
Jane Marsh	wife	Mar 70		Norfolk Cawston
Mary A Barker	Niece	Unm 50	Retired School Mistress	All Saints Cam
Mary A Bartlett	Serv	Unm 67	Nurse	Dorset Chideock
Emma Aplin	Serv	Unm 24	Cook Domestic	Dorset Broadwindsor

Jan. 15, at Temple House, Lyme Regis, Jane, the wife of Mr. Isaac Marsh, many years manager of the Reigate branch of the London and County Bank.

1886

April 18, at Temple House, Lyme Regis. after much suffering. Isaac Marsh, late of Reigate, in his 78th year.



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Mrs Easton 1888

## TEMPLE HOUSE, LYME REGIS, DORSET.

**R**ADFORD & RADFORD are instructed to SELL by AUCTION, on the Premises, on Tuesday, 13th March, 1888, the Substantial and Valuable HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT of the Residence, the property of Mrs. EASTON, who is leaving Lyme. The three Reception rooms will comprise an attractive assemblage of Furniture, including a superior walnut cottage pianoforte, full compass, by Moore and Moore, an elegant inlaid cabinet, with tulip wood bandings and buhl ornamentation, valuable timepiece, choice collection of old proof prints and engravings, model of a four-in-hand coach under shade, other models, a quantity of well-bound books, ornaments, folding and fancy screens, the repertoire of five bedrooms, including a specially-important lot of Spanish mahogany appointments, good feather beds and bedding, linen, blankets, and counterpanes, the kitchen furniture, china, glass, plated goods, and culinary items of an establishment, carpenter's bench, tools and outdoor requisites.

On view day before and morning of Sale, which will take place at Eleven o'clock, the Lots being numerous.

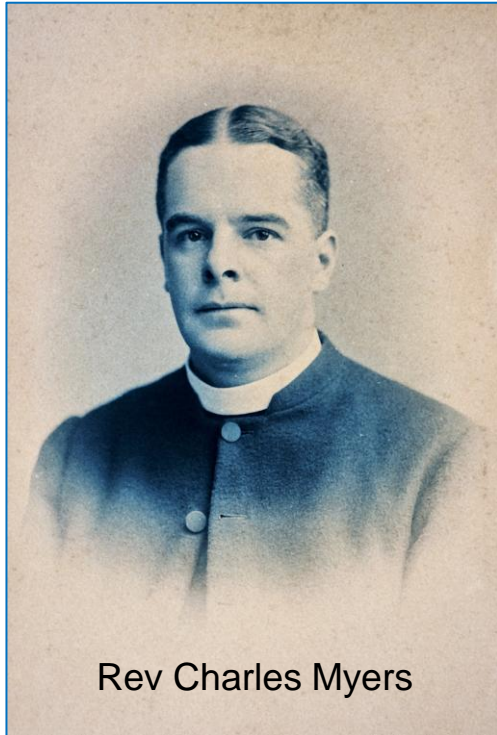
Detailed Catalogues on application to the Auctioneers, Lyme, Dorset.

Dated Atlas Assurance Office, Lyme, 29th February, 1888.

Auction, Tuesday 13 March 1888 on the premises



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Rev Charles Myers

Rev Charles Myers  
1888-1893

## Temple House 1891 Census

Charles Myers	Head S 34	Vicar of Lyme Regis	Aigburth Lancs
Emily Bleasdale	Serv Wid 42	Cook	Yeldersley Derbyshire
Eliza S Dunaway	Serv S 26	Parlour Maid	West Dean Sussex
Ada R Darling	Serv S 16	Kitchen Maid	Stockcross Berks

## Vicarages

Coram Court 1852-1888  
Temple House 1888-1894  
No.1 Burley Villa 1895-1954

CHOIR SUPPER.—The Vicar very kindly entertained the adult members of the St. Michael's choir at supper at Temple House on Thursday evening. After enjoying the good things the remaining time was agreeably passed in singing a number of glees and songs. Votes of thanks were subsequently proposed to the Vicar and clergy for affording so pleasant an evening to the choir. The junior members were similarly entertained on a previous occasion.

Dorset County Chronicle 17 Jan 1889



Vicarage, No.1 Burley Villas, Silver Street 1898

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Miss Cordelia Treeby  
1898-1901

## Temple House 1901 Census

Cordelia Treeby Head S 52	Living on own Means	St John's Wood, London
John W C Treeby Nephew <10		Stonelands Bovey, Devon
Marion ? Visitor S 40	Governess	Co Tyrone, Ireland
Alice P Hodgkinson Serv S 47	Cook	Birmingham
Alice M Dick Serv S 23	Parlour Maid	Dublin, Ireland

## TO LET.

**DORSET.**—To LET, for Summer months, well-FURNISHED, Comfortable HOUSE; close to sea and church; good garden; three reception-rooms, six bed and dressing-rooms; drainage and water good; two servants left; 6gs. a week for three months; no agents.—Temple House, Lyme Regis.

Globe 13 May 1901



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Mrs Lewis Paine  
1903-1913

## Temple House 1911 Census

Ellen Jane Paine Head Widow 60 Private Means St George's Hanover Square, London  
 Ruth T Paine daughter S 36 Staines, Middlesex  
 Amy Davenport Serv S 33 Cook Southsea, Hants

- Number of rooms recorded in census – 11  
 (This counts the kitchen as a room but not the scullery, landing, lobby, closet, bathroom; nor warehouse, office, shop)

**H**OUSE-PARLOURMAID (experienced) WANTED for three ladies. Under-housemaid kept. Churchwoman. No fringe. Wages £20.—Mrs. LEWIS PAINE, Temple House, Lyme Regis. [957g]

1903

**H**OUSE-PARLOURMAID (experienced) WANTED. Two in family. Wages £18 to £20.—Mrs. PAINE, Temple House, Lyme Regis. [769b]

1907

**C**OOK (good plain) WANTED, £22; and thorough HOUSE-PARLOURMAID, £20. Churchwomen. Two in family.—Mrs. PAINE, Temple House, Lyme Regis. [740d]

1909

**C**OOK-GENERAL (good) WANTED. Two in family. Good wages.—Mrs. PAINE, Temple House, Lyme Regis. [4

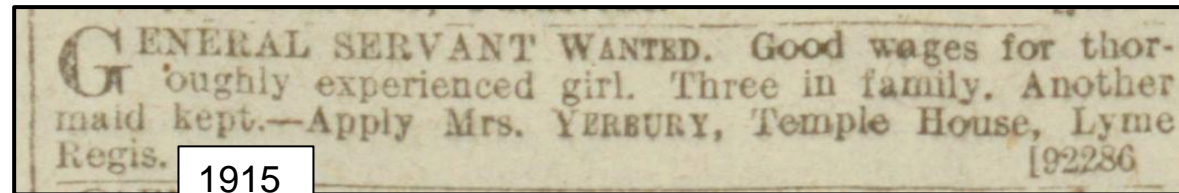
1913

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Photos from a family member

Edgar Olyve Yerbury LDS Eng, dentist  
1914-16/17



1915



Edgar Yerbury was the Hon. Dental Surgeon of the Lyme Regis Cottage Hospital during the First World War.

Edgar Olyve & Constance Mary Yerbury had two sons born during their time in Lyme Regis. Richard in 1914 and Donald, Sept 27 1915, who died 9 days later and is buried in Lyme Regis cemetery (grassy grave).

## MARSHAL DIES

Air Vice-Marshal Richard Yerbury, honorary surgeon to the Queen and the principal medical officer at Headquarters Training Command, R.A.F. Bampton, died suddenly at his home yesterday morning. He was 56.

The coroner for Huntingdon, Mr. Philip Davies, has been informed.

Air Vice-Marshal Yerbury was born at Lyme Regis, attended Epsom College and was trained at Guy's Hospital, London. He served with the Indian Army Medical Service during the war and later transferred to the R.A.F.

Before taking up his post at Bampton in September 1969 he was principal medical officer at Headquarters R.A.F. Germany.

In July 1970 he was appointed an honorary surgeon to the Queen.

Air Vice-Marshal Yerbury leaves a wife and three children.



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Thomas Henry Taylor LDS  
1917-21

## Temple House 1921 Census

Thomas H Taylor Head Mar 53 Dentist, Plumstead  
Margaret Cathcart-Taylor Wife 42 Dental Assist, Glasgow  
William Cathcart-Taylor son 16 Ilminster GS, Glasgow

## Three Further Dentists

George Burt Geake LDS, RCS  
1923-46

Sir Reginald and Lady Acland left Thirtover, Cold Ash, Berks, to attend the wedding at Lyme Regis today of their elder daughter, Mrs Stockley, widow of Major J P Stockley, Indian Army, who is to become the wife of Mr G B Geake, of Temple House, Lyme Regis. (January 1923)

Derrick Sanders  
1946-59

Derrick Sanders came back from the war, where he had been a Squadron Leader in the RAF, to take over the dental practice of Mr Geake at Temple House. The dental surgery was on the first floor, with Derrick and his wife living on the premises. In 1958/59 Derrick moved his practice to Haydn House, 19 Broad Street. He retired in 1978

Taylor succeeded Yerbury as Hon Dental Surgeon of the Cottage Hospital

Thomas Henry Taylor (1861-????), Dental Practices		
From	To	Registered Practice Address
1882	1913	1 Gauze St. Paisley and 22 Ardrossan Rd., Saltcoats
1913	1915	Nakusp, Arrow Lake, British Columbia, Canada
1915	1917	Revelstoke, British Columbia, Canada
1917	1922	Temple House, Lyme Regis
1922	1923	Nithsdale, Bowfield Rd. West Kilbride, Ayrshire
1923	1928	42 St Georges Street, Cape Town, South Africa

A bazaar on behalf of Lyme Congregational Church was held in the garden of Temple House by permission of Mr & Mrs Geake.(1923)

George Burt Geake was Hon Curator of Lyme Regis Museum 1940-46

PARLOURMAID Wanted; must be experienced; 3 maids kept; help given.—Write, stating age and wages required, Mrs. Geake, Temple House, Lyme Regis.

1923

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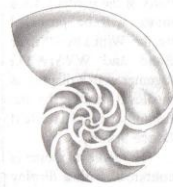
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## Temple House: Electoral Registers 1939-40

George Burt Geake & Hilda Mary Geake (R)  
Edwin Hodges & Alice Rose Hodges (R)  
Stephen Kish & Rosa Kish (R)  
Fiennes Trotman (O) abode – Beaminster  
Henry Lane Kitson (O) abode – Netherbury

1935-2001

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1950-89

Dr A Fernandez

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