

## Normandy Historians

Extracts from Electoral Registers held at Surrey History Centre, Woking (ref: CC802)

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## Explanatory notes.

The extracts cover Normandy Ward, parish of Ash and Normandy, and that part of Worplesdon parish which included the Willey Green area. The registers were prepared annually or biannually. For those years where two registers were prepared in the year (1919 to 1925) only one (Spring) has been extracted. Researchers should be aware that the information was compiled at least 4 months before the register came into force.

The extracts begin in 1918 because Electoral Registers before 1918 seldom give a full address. From 1918 onwards most entries have an identifiable address.

The Electoral Registers are arranged in alphabetical sequence of voters' names. These extracts have been re-arranged into alphabetical sequence of house name/number within road.

The Electoral Registers contain lists of people eligible to vote. The rules of eligibility changed from time to time, gradually extending the franchise. If there is no entry for a particular property in a particular year there are several possible reasons, for example:

- none of the occupants was eligible to vote, or
- the property was empty, or
- the property was known by another name at that time, or
- the property had not been built yet.

In many properties there were several individuals eligible to vote. However, the registers give no indication of age or relationships or 'head of household' status. In most of these extracts, only surnames have been recorded and each different surname only appears once for each property. The purpose of these extracts is thus to provide a quick reference to when families 'came and went' and, to a certain extent, when properties appeared and disappeared. Where there is a "(**Same**)" in the box for a property for a year, it means the same surname appears as in the previous year.

The spelling of names has been copied exactly and it is obvious in some cases that errors exist in the original registers. It is also possible that transcription errors have been introduced in the preparation of these extracts. Anyone researching a particular family or property should consult the original registers to verify the details and to find additional information.

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