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### It incorporates the following:

- 1/ Status of the Offices that used barred numeral cancellations.
- 2/ A list of the Sub Offices of major Offices that used barred numeral cancels.
- 3/ The later numeral allocations that were made after barred numerals ceased to be issued.

### Dates, codes and times in red are new to the published volumes.

Dates of a change in status are derived largely from the Post Office Guide for January of each year, if a change occurs in say the 1865 edition, it actually took place sometime in 1864.

### Status of the Offices

**Head Post Offices** / **Post Town** collected, sorted, cancelled and distributed mail from and to a series of Subordinate Offices.

The address of mail sent to a place with a Head Office would end just with the name of the town i.e. Bedford.

**Independent Sub Offices** evolved in the second half of the 19th Century having an address that was independent of the nearest Head Office, most of their mail could come straight to them.

Mail sent to these addresses ended with S.O. and the county name.

i.e. Shefford S.O. Beds. (from 1873 to 1886)

### Railway Sub Offices (R.S.O.)

These were offices that received and sent their mail to a travelling railway post office rather than a conventional head office.

i.e. Shefford R.S.O. Beds. (from 1886 to 1905)

When the term "Railway Sub Office" was abolished in 1905, these became Independent Sub Offices; in 1909 they became Post Towns. Although the term R.S.O. was abolished in 1905 it remained in use in many cds's for several years afterwards.

Subordinate Offices The address of mail sent there had to include the name of the Head Office:-

- i.e. Potton, Biggleswade. (1844 to 1854)
- i.e. Potton, St Neots. (1854 to 1872)
- i.e. Potton, Sandy. (1872 to present)

These normally received and sent most of their mail direct to a Head Office.

In the text the dates given are for the length of time that they were sub offices not the period of use of barred numerals.

A Sub Office in an urban environment, before 1892 was called a Town Receiving Office.

### LETTER BOXES.

Pillar Boxes and Wall Boxes, did not normally have their own cancellation, exception were Late Fee Letter Boxes at Railway Stations. The cancellation was applied either in the Travelling Post Office, eg. Euston Square Station with its provincial style 964 cancellation, or in transit the Manchester/Liverpool/Leeds/ Bradford Late Box cancellations which were cancelled in London.

### THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE CANCELLATIONS:

1844 type for the single obliterators issued to all the offices in the lists to 1850.



1844

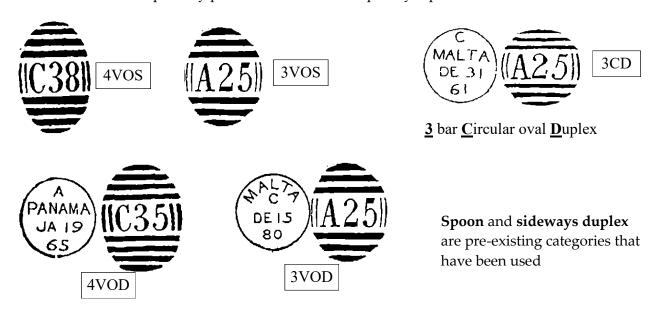
### 3HOS is a 3 Bar Horizontal Oval Single obliterator

The 3HOS replaced the 1844 type in the 1850's. They can sometimes be very similar in that the 1844's can have three bars at the top and base. The key characteristic to separate these from a subsequently issued 3HOS is the length of the uppermost and lowermost bars. These are long in the 1844 type and short and often convex in the 3HOS. The figure 4 almost always has a serif on the horizontal bar in 1844s and is always sans serif in the 3HOSs.



## **4VOS** is a **4** Bar Vertical Oval Single obliterator **3VOS** is a **3** Bar Vertical Oval Single obliterator

Obliterators that were first issued as a 4VOS can through wear and local recutting become a 3VOS or indeed rarely a 2VOS. As these always derive from the original 4VOS they are placed in that category. The evidence is that the size of the figures and letters stay the same despite the reduction in the number of bars. True 3VOS's are separately proofed as such and frequently replace a 4VOS.



<u>4</u> bar <u>Vertical <u>O</u>val Duplex <u>3</u> bar <u>Vertical <u>O</u>val <u>D</u>uplex</u></u>

**3VODX** A distinctive pattern of 3VOD was sent to 21 towns on 10 MAY1873. In the Proof Books the cds and obliterator were separately entered, with the cds often at an angle and some distance from the obliterator. In use the cds and obliterator were also some distance apart, they were the first 3VOD cancels to be issued. They are often described as a 3VOS in the literature. Of the 21, three are common Birmingham, Manchester and Cheltenham, 11 are very rare, and 7 have never been seen. They might have been for use in an experimental new style of handstamp or cancelling machine. Whatever the nature of the experiment it appears to not to have been successful.

### **ILLUSTRATIONS**

The majority of the illustrations are face different Proof Book entries. These have been photocopied from photocopies held in the Post Office archive.

There are very few examples of the 1844 type in the Proof Books, most examples in the catalogue have been traced from actual examples.

If there are two identical copies of a cancel entered at the same in the Proof Books this can often be shown to be the issue of two different cancels. The official stamping the entry found it easier to make two impressions of the same cancel rather than one of each.

### **DATE OF ISSUE**

The date attached to each illustration is the first date of entry in the Proof Books. Just the month and year are quoted because of the ambiguities in the various possible dates: -

1/ The date a cancellation was sent to a Head Office, this was not always the final destination.

2/ The date in the cds of the cancellation, this is not always the same as the date sent. It can indeed be almost a year out. Volume 15 of the Proof Books consists of cut outs of cancellations, these are often duplicate entries of cancels that are in other Proof Books - however the cds date in volume 15 can often be much earlier in the year than the date in the other Proof Books. The earlier date is certainly the correct one.

3/ The date a cancel was proofed – this is in a column marked "sent" in the Proof Books.

In the literature any of these three sources could have been used for the "date of issue".

### **RARITY & PRICE**

The rarity index ranges from A = abundant to H = very few recorded. H\* has been used for proofed cancels that have only been recorded on loose stamp.

GPO means that the cancel has only been seen in the Proof Books.

Prices for coloured cancels have not been quoted, there is too much variation.

Prices have not been updated from those quoted in the six volume set issued 2011 to 2013 - i.e. they are at least 10 years old.

### POST OFFICE LISTS

The list of numeral allocations comes from a combination of several sources:-

1/ The Official Lists held in various forms in the Post Office Archives and several that are privately held.

2/ Individual changes in allocation listed in the Post Office Circular, which was a set of weekly instructions to Postmasters.

The Official Lists that have been used:-

1844 – contained in Dendy Marshall's book. Thus seen by Brumell.

1845 - 1847 - 1855 - 1856 - 1857 contained in the relevant Post Office Directory.

1874 - 1882 - 1887 - 1892 - currently available in the Post Office Archives, in their file Post 55. The 1882 list is new, it was not seen or mentioned by Brumell.

1899 - Brumell mentions a list that he had not seen that was quoted by Whitworth (Southport 1905) as the "1899" list. Post Office Archives have an 1887 list with manuscript additions up to about 1900. This is certainly Whitworth's "1899" list.

1902 - seen and listed by Brumell, but there is no longer a copy in the Post Office Archives.

1906 - currently available in the Post Office Archives, in Post 55. This was the last list used by Brumell.

1924, 1929 and 1949 - these have recently become available in the Post Office Archives, in Post 55, called Post Office Form 1013. They were not available to Mackay.

1954, 1959 - listed by George Pearson in his 1959 publication. The lists are not in the Post Office Archives.

1962 - an original list seen and quoted by Mackay. Given by him in 1990 to the Post Office Archives, but no longer available. A privately held copy has been downloaded from the GBPS website.

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### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

This has been a cooperative effort, with over two hundred and fifty correspondents over the last forty years. Their input varies from a making a few additions to complete editing of whole chapters.

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Post Office Archives: Many thanks for all their help in the past, although under the current regime research is becoming increasingly difficult. This follows a general tendency amongst archivists to make preservation the all-pervading priority and making access secondary.

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Colnbrook (718) and Eton (892) moved to Berkshire in 1974.

Stokenchurch (738) moved from Oxfordshire to Buckinghamshire in 1896.

### 14 AMERSHAM

Head Post Office 1844 to 1968, Salaried Sub Office 1968 to ? Branch Office to Franchised Post Office in 1992.

Amersham was allocated number 14 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Offices (that used barred numerals):- 15 Chesham 1844 to 1873, 16 Missenden 1844 to 1875.





**1844** Used from 18 FEB1847 to 26 OCT1864 Price A £5

**1844 in blue** Used in DEC1849

3TH.HOS Used from 8 FEB1866 to 20 DEC1869 Price C £8



3VOS Used on 22 JUL1931 Price H £60





### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 14-15**

**4VOD** Used from 28 MAY1871 to 21 OCT1890 Codes: A B C D Price E £12



**3VOD Time in code** Used from 20 MAR1890 to 20 NOV1894 Codes: B C D Price E £12 **3VOD Time in full** Used from 20 MAY1896 to 25 JUN1906

Times: 515AM 945AM 1115AM 145PM 345PM 415PM 545PM 7PM 715PM Price A £3

### 15 CHESHAM

Sub Office of Amersham 1844 to 1873, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1873 to 1891, Railway Sub Office 1891 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present. Chesham was allocated number 15 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.





**1844** Used from 3 FEB1845 to 1 SEP1874 C £5 **3VOS** Used on 8 DEC1874 Price H £50



4VOD Used from 17 AUG1876 to 5 OCT1878 Code: B Price G £40





**3VODA (Chesham in the cds)** Used from 27 NOV1880 to 7 DEC1889 Codes: A B C Price E £12

### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 15-38**



**3VODB Time in code (Chesham Bucks in the cds)** Used from 3AUG1894 to 11OCT1900 Codes: A B C D E G H Price C £3

**3VODB Time in full (Chesham Bucks in the cds)** Used from 21JAN1901 to 2NOV1907 Times: 430AM 445AM 845AM 9AM 10AM 1145AM 2PM 3PM 315PM 415PM 445PM 5PM 545PM 6PM 630PM 645PM 730PM 745PM 815PM 845PM Price A £3

### 16 MISSENDEN

Sub Office of Amersham 1844 to 1875, Independent Sub Office /Post Town 1875 to 1891, Railway Sub Office 1891 to 1905, Independent Sub Office /Post Town 1905 to present. Missenden was allocated number 16 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962. Changed to Great Missenden in the 1887 list.



1844 APR1844



**1844** Used from 29 JAN1845 to 8 AUG1876 Price B £5 **3VOS** Used from 24 JUL1879 to 16 NOV1882 Price G £25



3VOD AUG1883

**3VOD** Used from 9 MAY1887 to 26 AUG1909 Codes: A B C D E F G Price D £12 on cover, £3 on ppc

### 38 AYLESBURY

Head Post Office 1844 to present.

Aylesbury was allocated number 38 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 38-57**



1844 APR1844



3HOSA JUL1859



3HOSB NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS

**1844** Used from 2 MAY1844 to 6 JUN1858 Price A £5 Seen in green

3HOSA (Round top three) GPO

**3HOSB (Flat top three)** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £60+ (Price if found on dated cover)



3VOS MAY1876



3CD SEP1858

**3VOS** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £60+ (Price if found on dated cover) **3CD** Used from 10 NOV1858 to 27 DEC1872 Codes: B C D E F G H Price A £3





4VODA FEB1868

**4VODA (Round top three)** Used from 20 APR1868 to 26 JUL1888 Codes: C F G H Price F £15



4VODB MAY1873



4VODB MAY1876

**4VODB (Flat top three)** Used from 6 JAN1874 to 4 JUN1909 Codes: A C D E F G H J K L O Price A £3

There are many later subtypes of the 4VODB that were not proofed.

### **57 BEACONSFIELD**

Head Post Office 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Slough 1855 to 1862, Railway Sub Office 1862 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to? Branch Office to Modified Scale Post office in 1994.

Beaconsfield was allocated number 57 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- G46 Wooburn 1863 to 1887.

### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 57-145**



1844 APR1844



3HOS FEB1863

**1844** Used from 12 DEC1844 to 18 JUN1859 Price B £5 **3HOS** Used from 24 JUL1879 to 21 SEP1880 Price G £30

### 145 BUCKINGHAM

Head Post Office 1844 to 1920, Salaried Sub Office 1920 to present. Buckingham was allocated number 145 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS JUN1857



3HOS JUN1857



**1844** Used from 29 MAY1844 to 3 JUN1852 Price D £6 **3HOS** Used from 6 JUL1857 to 9 JUN1864 Price D £5

3VOS GPO



MAY1864





4VOD JUN1877

**4VOD Time in code** Used from 7 JUL1864 to 25 JAN1894

Codes: A B C D E 3 4 none Price A £3

**4VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 15 AUG1894 to 23 DEC1895

Codes: C\*P CH\*P G\*P DI\*P Price D £8

**4VOD Time in full** Used from 10 MAR1897 to 15 JUL1903

Times: 5AM 6AM 8AM 10AM 1130AM 1PM 230PM 445PM 7PM 715PM 8PM 815PM 830PM

Price A £3



### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 145-364**

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 9 AUG1886 to 4 MAY1893

Codes: A C D E F Finv G Hsdwys Price E £8

3VOD Time in full Used from 18 APR1898 to 4 OCT1904

Times: 6AM 8AM 10AM 1130AM 1PM 15PM 215PM 230PM 4PM 45PM 5PM 545PM 7PM

830PM 9PM Price A £3

### 299 FENNY STRATFORD

Head Post Office 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Bletchley Station 1855 to 1897, Sub Office of Bletchley 1897 to 1906, Rural Office to Town Sub Office in 1906.

Replaced by 'Aylesbury St. Bletchley' in 1911.

Fenny Stratford was allocated number 299 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 299 was later allocated to Horsehay (Salop) 1882 to 1906 then Earls Colne, Essex 1924 to 1962.

1844 Used from 20 MAY1844 to 15 MAY1858 Price E £30

**1844** Used in blue 19 JUL1851



1844 APR 1844

### 310 GERRARDS CROSS

Head Post Office 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Slough 1855 to 1887, Railway Sub Office 1887 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to present. Gerrards Cross was allocated number 310 in from 1844 to 1857, A25 in the 1924 list and 428 in the 1928 to 1962 lists.



1844 APR1844

Number 310 was later allocated to Malpas, Cheshire 1882 to 1962.

**1844** Used from 4 MAR1847 to 10 OCT1858 Price F £50 Seen in green

### 364 HIGH WYCOMBE

Head Post Office 1844 to present.

High Wycombe was allocated number 364 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS FEB1860



3VOS JAN1880



3CD FEB1863

**1844** Used from 6 MAY1844 to 15 APR1859 Price A £5

3HOS Used from 30 JUN1860 to 5 NOV1852 Price F £15

**3VOS** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £60+ (Price if found on dated cover)

3CD Used from 11 APR1863 to 17 JUN1868 Codes: A B C D Price A £3

### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 364-518**







AUG1868 JUN1871

**4VOD** Used from 8 MAY1869 to 17 APR1894 Codes: A B C D E F G Price A £3



3VOD

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 15 NOV1880 to 12 SEP1898 Codes: A B C D E F G H Price A £3

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 11 MAY1894 to 28 JAN1896

Codes: II\*A CC\*P EF\*P FF\*P G\*P HF\*P I\*P MB\*P Price D £8

3VOD Time in full Used from 21 FEB1899 to 20 AUG1903

Times: 9AM 945AM 1210PM 125PM 315PM 615PM 630PM 7PM 9PM Price A £3

### 385 Halton Camp

Halton Camp was allocated number 385 in the 1924 list.

### 385 Wendover

Wendover was allocated number 867 in the lists from 1844 to 1906 and 385 in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

### 428 Gerrards Cross

Gerrards Cross was allocated number 310 in from 1844 to 1857, A25 in the 1924 list and 428 in the 1928 to 1962 lists.

### 518 MARLOW

Head Post Office 1844 to 1856, Sub Office of Maidenhead 1856 to 1863, Head Post Office 1863 to present.

Marlow was allocated number 518 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.



1844 APR1844



3HOS IAN1857

**1844/3HOS** Used from 15 JUL1844 to 31 AUG1870 The 1844 and 3HOS are too similar to separate. Price D £5

### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 518-564**





**3VOS** Used from 18 JUN1874 to 4 AUG1877 Price H £60

4CD Used from 20 NOV1864 to 28 MAR1873 Code: C Price D £8





3VOD JUL1884

**4VOD** Used from 26 JUL1874 to 26 OCT1883 Codes: C Cinv D F Price C £6 **3VOD** Used from 27 DEC1884 to 4 NOV1888 Codes: B C D E Price E £15

Squared Circles in use: JUN1890 to MAR1906

### **564 NEWPORT PAGNELL**

Head Post Office 1844 to 1919, Salaried Sub Office 1919 to 1928, Sub Office of Bletchley 1928 to 1950, Post Town 1950 to present.

Newport Pagnell was allocated number 564 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Office (that used barred numerals):- D56 Olney 1844 to 1885.



1844 APR1844



3HOS FEB1853



3HOS JUL1860

**1844** Used from 23 SEP1844 to 4 AUG1852 Price D £8 **3HOS** Used from 23 MAR1853 to 17 DEC1864 Price B £3





**4VOD Time in code** Used from 22 SEP1865 to 4 JAN1899 Codes: A B C D Price A £3 **4VOD Time in full** Used from 2 APR1895 to 11 NOV1901

Times: 1015AM 245PM 3PM 8PM 815PM 830PM Price B £3

### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 717**

618 Princes Risborough

Princes Risborough was allocated number 812 in the 1844 to 1906 lists and then 618 in the 1929 to 1962 lists.

### 717 SLOUGH

Head Post Office 1844 to present.

Slough was allocated number 717 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.

Sub Offices that used barred numerals:- 57 Beaconsfield 1855 to 1862, 718 Colnbrook 1844 onwards and 310 Gerrards Cross 1855 to 1887.



1844 APR1844



1844 NOT ENTERED IN THE PROOF BOOKS



3HOS MAY1854

**1844** Used from 10 JUN1844 to 8 JUN1853 A late subtype with 6mm high figures is now illustrated. Price C £5

**3HOS** Used from 13 SEP1854 to 25 OCT1864 Price E £12



4VOS JUL1872



SDWYS II FEB1856

**4VOS** No dated copies recorded Price H\* £60+ (Price if found on dated cover) **SDWYS II** Used from 27 MAR1856 to 7 DEC1858 Codes: A C E F none Price D £15

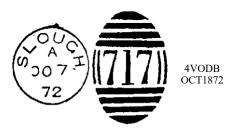




4VODA OCT1865

3CD Used from 7 MAR1859 to 15 JUL1865 Codes: A C D E L 12 Price A £3
4VODA (Straight Slough) Used from 26 JAN1866 to 28 SEP1877
Codes: B C D E Einv F 7 9 Price A £3

### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 717-749**





4VODB (Curved Slough) Used from 23 DEC1872 to 12 OCT1879

Codes: A B C D E F G H Price A £3

**3VOD** Used from 18 NOV1879 to 15 MAR1900 Codes: A B C D E G H I J Tsdwys Price A £3 Squared Circles in use: MAR1892 to OCT1899

### 718 COLNBROOK

Sub Office of Slough 1844 to present.

Moved to Berkshire in 1974.

Colnbrook was allocated number 718 in the lists from 1844 to 1857. Number 718 was later allocated to Manorbier (Pem) in the 1882 to 1966 lists.

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1844 APR1844

**1844** Used from 23 SEP1844 to 14 MAY1863 Price G £80

### 738 STOKENCHURCH

Head Post Office 1844 to 1857, Sub Office of Tetsworth 1857 to 1889, Sub Office of Wallingford 1889 to 1922, Sub Office of High Wycombe 1922 to present.

Moved from Oxon to Bucks in 1896.

Stokenchurch was allocated number 738 in the lists from 1844 to 1857. Number 738 was later allocated to Byfield (Northts) in the 1882 to 1906 lists and Sutton in Ashfield (Notts) 1924 to 1962.

**1844** Used from 11 JUN1848 to 27 DEC1861 Price F £50+ Occurs with a Stokenchurch cud and Wallingford cds



1844 APR1844

### 749 STONY STRATFORD

Head Post Office 1844 to 1928, Sub Office of Bletchley 1928 to 1950, Sub Office of Wolverton 1950 to 1973, Town Sub Office Milton Keynes 1973 to present.

Stoney to Stony by 1873.

Stoney Stratford was allocated number 749 in all the lists from 1844 to 1959.



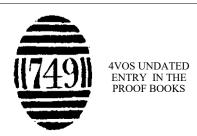


### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 749**

**1844** Used from 12 MAY1844 to 11 JUN1852 Price A £5

**1844 in blue** Used from APR1849 to JAN1851

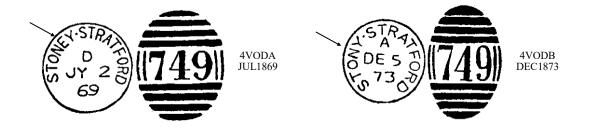
**3HOS** Used from 11 APR1857 to 14 FEB1860 Price F £15



4VOS Used from 16 FEB1868 to 22 MAR1868 Price G £35



**3CD** Used from 1 DEC1861 to 1 JUL1881 Codes: A B C D Price A £3 Four 3CDs were proofed SEP1861 and MAY1862 are identical, JUL1869 & AUG1870 the first and later two are now illustrated:



**4VODA (Stoney in the cds)** Used from 13 JUL1869 to 10 DEC1869 Codes: C D Price G £35 **4VODB (Stony in the cds) Time in code** Used from 3 OCT1876 to 20 OCT1895

Codes: B C D E Price F £8

**4VODB (Stony in the cds) Time in full** Used from 19 MAY1898 to 17 APR1906 Times: 615AM 10AM 745PM 8PM Price A £3



### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 749-894**

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 6 JUN1889 to 23 APR1904 Codes: C D E Price E £8 **3VOD Time in full** Used from 23 SEP1896 to 23 MAY1908

Times: 1015AM 1030AM 230PM 245PM 730PM 745PM 815PM 740 Price A £3

Squared Circles in use: SEP1881 to JUN1906

### 812 PRINCES RISBOROUGH

Sub Office of Tring 1844 to 1883, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1883 to 1934, Sub Office of Aylesbury 1934 to? Salaried Sub Office to Branch Office in 1984, Branch Office to Modified Scale Post Office in 1990.

Princes Risborough was allocated number 812 in the 1844 to 1906 lists and then 618 in the 1929 to 1962 lists.

Number 812 was later allocated to Treharris (Glam) 1924 to 1962.

**1844** Used from 26 SEP1844 to 11 JAN1899 Price E £40



1844 APR1844

### 867 WENDOVER

Head Post Office 1844 to 1846, Sub Office of Tring 1846 to 1905,

Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1934, Sub Office of Aylesbury 1934 to present.

Wendover was allocated number 867 in the lists from 1844 to 1906 and 385 in the lists from 1929 to 1962.

Number 867 was later allocated to Whittington Barracks, Lichfield in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

**1844** Used from 22 AUG1845 to 6 JAN1861 Price E £40

1844 in blue Used in AUG1853



1844 APR1844

### **892 ETON**

Sub Office of Windsor 1844 to 1856, then a Town Receiving House of Windsor to the present. It did not cancel its mail. Rural Post Office to Branch Post Office in 1904. Branch Office to Town Sub Office in 1969.

Moved to Berkshire in 1974.

Eton was allocated number 892 in the lists from 1844 to 1857.

Number 892 was later allocated to Chatteris Cambs 1882 to 1962.

All mail was cancelled in Windsor.

### 894 WINSLOW

Head Post Office 1844 to 1928, Sub Office of Bletchley 1928 to 1973, Sub Office of Buckingham 1973 to present.

Winslow was allocated number 894 in all the lists from 1844 to 1962.





### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 894-025**

**1844** Used from 13 MAY1844 to 17 NOV1853 Price F £15 **3HOS** Used from 6 MAY1857 to 6 MAR1862 Price G £25



### 4VOS GPO

4CD Used from 10 AUG1865 to 14 FEB1871 Codes: A C D E Price E £12





**4VOD Time in code** Used from 5 JAN1874 to 9 FEB1895 Codes: A B C D E F Price A £3 **4VOD Time in full** Used from 20 OCT1895 to 21 OCT1906 Times: 10AM 12PM 1210PM 1230PM 29PM 230PM 245PM 630PM 7PM 730PM 745PM 845PM Price A £3

### 909 Wolverton

Wolverton was allocated number B19 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and later number 909 in the 1924 to 1962 lists.

### 935 Iver

Iver was allocated number 935 in the 1935 to 1962 lists.

### 025 BLETCHLEY STATION

Sub Office of Fenny Stratford 1853 to 1853, Head Post Office 1853 to 1899. Renamed Bletchley in 1897.

Bletchley Station or Bletchley were allocated number 026 in all the lists from 1855 to 1962. *Sub Office (that used barred numerals):-* 299 *Fenny Stratford 1855 to 1897.* 



3HOS DEC1853



**3HOS** Used from 10APR1854 to 14OCT1865 Price E £40 3HOS Used in blue/green on 25 JUL1855

### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE 025-B19**





3VOS OCT1883



**3VOS** Used from 31 MAR1875 to 17 AUG1880 Price H £150 cover, £80 on ppc's and undated newspaper wrappers precancelled for the Bletchley District Gazette.

4VOD Used from 7 MAR1867 to 20 MAR1873 Codes: C D Price D £30



FEB1874







3VOD OCT1883

**3VOD Time in code** Used from 25 MAR1874 to 2 AUG1899 Codes: B C E F G H I Price D £30

**3VOD Time in asterisk code** Used from 15 SEP1897 to 18 SEP1897 Codes: KI\*A KI\*P Price H £40

### A25 Gerrards Cross

Gerrards Cross was allocated number 310 in from 1844 to 1857, A25 in the 1924 list and 428 in the 1928 to 1962 lists.

### **B19 WOLVERTON**

Sub Office of Stoney Stratford 1852 to 1859, Railway Sub Office 1859 to 1905, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1905 to 1928, Sub Office of Bletchley 1928 to 1950, Post Town 1950 to 1973. Branch Office of Milton Keynes 1973 to present.

Wolverton was allocated number B19 in the 1874 to 1906 lists and later number 909 in the 1924 to 1962 lists.





3VOS FEB1881

3HOS Used from 31 JUL1862 to 9 JAN1877 Price E £253VOS Used from 23 DEC1882 to 9 JUL1902 Price G £60Squared Circles in use: JUL1885 to AUG1910

### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE D56-H61**

### D56 OLNEY

Sub Office of Newport Pagnell 1844 to 1885, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1885 to 1921, Sub Office of Bedford 1921 to 1927, Post Town 1927 to present

Olney was allocated number D56 in the 1874 to 1906 lists.

**3VOS** Used from 15 APR1886 to 25 APR1900 Price G £80+



### **G30 STANTONBURY**

Sub Office of Stoney Stratford 1858 to 1894, Sub Office of Wolverton 1894 to 1919.

Replaced by 'New Bradwell' in 1919.

Stantonbury was allocated number G30 in the 1874 to 1906 and H61 in the 1887 to 1902 lists. It thus had both numbers G30 and H61 in the 1887 to 1902 lists.

3VOS OCT1873

**3VOS** Used on 17 JUN1878 Price H£100++

### **G45 BOURNE END**

Sub Office of Marlow (as Bone End)1845 to c.1860, reopened as Bourne End 1864 to 1875, Sub Office of Maidenhead 1875 to 1898, Independent Sub Office/Post Town 1898 to present.

Bourne End was allocated number G45 in the 1882 to 1902 lists.

**3VOS** Used from 3 DEC1883 to 9 DEC1890 Price H £100++



3VOS AUG1882

### **G46 WOOBURN**

Sub Office of Beaconsfield 1844 to 1855, Sub Office of Slough 1855 to 1863, Sub Office of Beaconsfield RSO 1863 to 1887, Sub Office of Maidenhead 1887 to 1891, Sub Office of Wooburn Green 1891 to 1933, Sub Office of High Wycombe 1933 to 1939/41, closed 1939/41.

Wooburn was allocated number G46 in the 1882 to 1906 lists.

**3VOS** Used from 28 NOV1883 to 8 NOV1901 Price G £80+



3VOS AUG1882

### **H61 STANTONBURY**

Sub Office of Stoney Stratford 1858 to 1894, Sub Office of Wolverton 1894 to 1919.

Replaced by 'New Bradwell' in 1919.

Allocated G30 and H61 in the 1887 to 1902 lists.

Stantonbury was allocated number G30 in the 1874 to 1906 and H61 in the 1887 to 1902 lists. It thus was given both numbers G30 and H61 in the 1887 to 1902 lists.



3VOD NOV1885

### **3VOD** GPO

### **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE J83**

### J83 DATCHET

Sub Office of Slough 1844 to 1855. Sub Office of Windsor 1855 to 1933, Sub Office of Slough 1933 to present.

**3VOS** Used from 27 JAN1892 to 2 JAN1893 Price G £80+

