

Log of Interview with Olivia Tottle/Woodfield

Interview conducted by Michael Blakstad in November 2013.

00.00 Evacuation. Lived in Tudor House, 1943 – 1960, after family house in London was bombed. House belonged to lady in Tonbridge Wells, lived in by Arthur Warren, very neglected.

03.20 Plumbing &c. Some electricity, cold tap in scullery and hip bath.

04.48. East Meon National School. Mrs Hoyes, headmistress, Mrs Hastie, Caretaker lived in School house. Friends Hazel Goddard, Peggy Whitear. Olivia went to Petersfield High Street for Girls.

09.14. Shops in East Meon. A verbal guide to Hobbs, draper, Mr Pink, general store, (later Mr Witt, butcher), Mr Smith, Post Office, Coles' garage (later Goddard's), Cobbler at Bell Cottage, Parsons general store and wine merchant, Mr Wyatt, butcher.

The Institute – whist drives, magic lantern shows by Dr Budden.

16.00 Church and chapels. All Saints, Congregational Chapel, chapel near where school now is.

17.55 Gardening, and her family, including brothers Alan, Gilbert and Owen.

22.02 Heating, None upstairs, outside loo, nightsoil man.