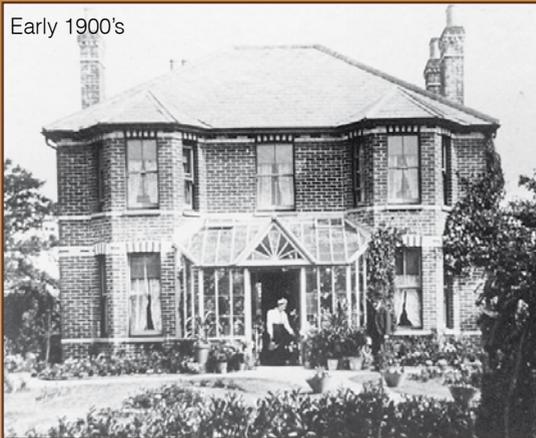


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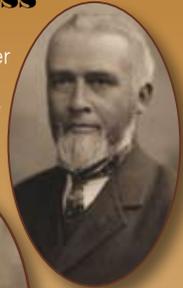
PAST and PRESENT

'Oakdene', Three Legged Cross

Early 1900's



William Peter
Stickland
1844 - 1916



Eliza Stickland
(née Crutcher)
1845 - 1918

This issue's Past & Present is more of a 'Before & After' since I thought it might be fascinating to compare the original 'Oakdene' to today's large Residential Care Home complex.

The original "Oakdene", Horton Road, Three Legged Cross was built for William Peter and Eliza Stickland at the end of the nineteenth century after they retired from the Travellers Rest Public House (Until recently the Woodcutters). No doubt it was built from local brick complete with attractive white Ebblake brick decorative details which many Verwood properties still retain.

To see the original Travellers Rest Inn Past and Present article - go to: www.roundaboutmags.co.uk and click on *articles/news - Verwood-Past & Present* - and look down the list to *'The Turnpike Road through Three Legged Cross'*.

It's not clear as to whether the old photo

shows the rear of the house with a sort of mini-conservatory or the front photographed from the Horton Road.

William Stickland (1844 - 1916), inherited the Travellers Rest Inn from his uncle Thomas Lukes and was a man of many talents including Innkeeper, Grocer, Accountant, Insurance Agent and Public Auditor.

Eliza Stickland (1845 - 1918), the daughter of Stephen and Charlotte Crutcher, married W. P. Stickland in 1867 and they had ten children between them. The Crutchers were well established and successful Three Legged Cross pottery dealers, farmers and tradesmen who owned land between Verwood and Church Roads.

Today the Oakdene Care Home not only covers the site of the original 'Oakdene' but has also recently expanded to cover the site of the adjacent Travellers Rest Inn.



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