

CROFT AVENUE HOUSES and RESIDENTS (from 1910 to PRESENT TIME)

House Number	House Name	Built	Owners	House Details
1	ABERFELDY (Formerly Delamere)	1952	L J Matthews (1953) Miss McMorland (1964) Mr & Mrs Delaney (1981)	Alexander Skilton of Dorking purchased the land in 1952. He sold the land to Leonard Matthews of London who built the bungalow in 1953 and named it "Delamere". Mr Matthews added a bedroom, dining room and garage and also added an upper extension during his occupamcy. Mr Matthews sold the property in 1964 to Miss Dorothy McMorland. She re-named the properety "Aberfeldy" having been born there in Scotland. Bill & Dianne Delaney turned the original garage into a bedroom and built a garage in the rear of the property.
2	GREYSTONES (Formerly Paulistina)	1928?	Mr & Mrs Quincy Mr & Mrs Scrivens Mr & Mrs Morgan Mr & Mrs Filleul Mr & Mrs Roberts (1997) Mr & Mrs Joseph	Greystones has four bedrooms on the first floor and separate lounge and dining room downstairs. One interesting feature of the house is the servants bell system, which still operates. This has a display board at one end of the kitchen to indicate where the bell was pushed (front door, lounge, dining room, 2 bedrooms and bathroom), although Topsy (Mr & Mrs Roberts' cocker spaniel) had yet to realise that there are bell pushes other than the front door. When cleaning out the garage the Roberts's discovered the date of <i>July 31st 1928</i> etched on the rendering on the back wall. Could this be the date the property was finally completed? In 2000 building modifications provided a utility room by moving a wall in the kitchen and a study at the back of the lounge by building in the loggia.
3	GILDA	1955	Mrs Kingston (1955) Mr & Mrs Harries Mr & Mrs Jenner (1997) Mr & Mrs Simpson (2020)	In 1952 the land on which No 3 is built was sold to Charles Farnfield - a motor engineer of Somers Road Reigate. It is assumed that he built the property finishing it in 1955 as a later sutvey in 1957 shows the property as two years old.
4	GREENWOODS	1954	Mr & Mrs Bangs Mrs J Dunning (1976)	Built on half the property previously owned by Mr & Mrs Scrivens at "Greystones".
5	DALKEITH	1954	Mr & Mrs Blackmore Mr & Mrs Dodgson Mr & Mrs Daniel (2014)	
6	THE CROFT	1910?	Lady McKenzie Thomson Rudland Mr & Mrs Miller Clive Marden & Karen Have Mr & Mrs Pilkington (2000)	
7	GREENSLEEVES	1952	Mr & Mrs Wynne Mr & Mrs Wallace Mr & Mrs Wright (1985)	In 2018 the Wrights installed solar panels on their roof.

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8	ORCHARD LEA Formerly Parkhurst)	1910?	Mrs Perry Mr & Miss Feeny Mr & Mrs Jeffersen Mr & Mrs Letheren (1961) Mr & Mrs Smith (1982) Mr & Mrs Wallace Mr & Mrs Russell	
9	IVINGHOE	1910?	T Wells Brex Mr & Mrs Giles Mr & Mrs Barnes Mr & Dr Philpott	
10	FARTHINGHOE	1955	Mesdames Davis & Weller Mr & Mrs Mitchell Mr & Mrs Rowland (1994) Mr Murray & Ms Snelling (2014)	
11	(built in grounds of Ivinghoe)	1976	Mrs Giles Mr F Rademarker Mr Ottaway & Ms Barford	
12	EMSGARTH	1951	Mr & Mrs Fisher (1951) Mr & Mrs Donovan (1983) Mr & Mrs Dennis (2014)	The house was built in 1951. Michael Donovan believes it was designed by the original owner Mr Fisher although Barbara Evans (No 18) thinks it may have been designed by G B Schinge who also designed No 18 at the same time. The Donovans added a conservatory. In 2014 the Dennis's had the old detached garage demolished and re-built as an extension to the house also providing a larger kitchen and utility room. In 2018 the Dennis's installed 14 solar panels on their roof.
13	KENT LODGE	1955	Mr & Mrs Nicholls Mr & Mrs Snelling (1990)	
14	NEWLYN	1952	Mr & Mrs Morgan Mr & Mrs Wooff Mr & Mr Harrison Mr & Mrs Luckhurst	

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15	GREENACRES (Formerly Half Acre)	1936 or 1920s ?	Mr & Mrs Jeffrey Lady Hargreaves Brown Mr & Mrs Paton Mr & Mrs Harding Mr & Mrs Stevenson Mr & Mrs Cushon Mr & Mrs Hawker (1982)	
16	STONEHAM	1954	Mrs Mc Murray Mr & Mrs East Mr & Mrs Moustafa Mr & Mrs Macrorie Mr & Mrs Packham (2020)	
17	LEA HOLM	1967	Mr & Mrs Barker (1967) Mr & Mrs Robson	Builder Michael Lynch
18	KELD	1956	Mr & Mrs Evans (1956)	Architect/Designer: G B Schwinge. Builder Songhurst
19	WILLOW END (Formerly Melewan)	1968	Mrs Knight Mrs Coates Mr Rodman Mr & Mrs Stewart	Builder Michael Lynch
20	BARGATE	1951	Mr & Mrs Erbetta Mr & Mrs Hawkins Mr & Mrs Valentine (1993)	
21	LITTLEOVER	1968	Mr & Mrs Berry Rowling Families Mr & Mrs Cross Mr & Mrs Kent (2007)	Original builder: Michael Lynch. From 2007 the property was renovated from a 4 bedroom house to 5 bedroom property.
22	DELL COTTAGE	1951	Mr & Mrs Pope Mr & Mrs Burgess Mr & Mrs Lawrence Mrs V Warren Mr & Mrs Wills (2007)	The house was built in 1951 by a builder called Mr Race, and the property was much smaller than it is now. It has had numerous alterations and extensions built over the years.

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23	CHERRY TREES	1966	Mr & Mrs Lynch (1966) Mr & Mrs East (1969) Mr & Mrs Herouvin (2001)	Original builder: Michael Lynch. In 1969 the house was bought for £11,500. At that time the rateable value was £182 and the rates 11/11d in the pond, that is about 60p resulting in an annual charge of £109. In 1986 the house value had risen by 720% and the rates by 190%. By the year 2000 the house value had risen by a further 350% and the rates (which became the Council Tax) had risen a further 245%. So between 1969 and 2000 the house value has risen by 2,500% and the rates/council tax by 1,200%.
24	MERRIVALE	1954	Mr & Mrs Chadwick Mr & Mrs Meadows Mr & Mrs Wootton (1989) Mr & Dr Epps (2011)	The house was built in the 1950's and was extended (probably in the 1990's) by the addition of new utility and living rooms behind the garage. When the Meadows family left in 1989 they provided the new owners (Wootons) with a plan of the garden, having the names of all the plants in Latin.
25	KENWOOD	1929	Mr & Mrs Hall Mr Kaye Mr & Mrs Bainbridge Mr & Mrs Patterson Mr & Mrs Pettman (1989)	Architect/Designer: F G Coates The house does not appear to have been altered structurally between 1929 and 1989 and retains much original wood work in its dark stained condition. The pelmets have nail holes which may have been caused when wartime blackout curtains were hung. Some of the rear windows have been replaced but the remainder are original Crittal frames. In the garden there is a large Strawberry tree (Arbutus) which has delicate white flowers in Spring and the occasional fruit in the Autumn. Sadly a Horse Chestnut tree died in 1999 and has been cut down as has a Thuja which had grown so much it was damaging the drains and threatening to break the telephone wires to No 27.
26		1975	Mr & Mrs Jones (1975)	Builder: Clare Homes
27	LINDENS	1920's	Mr Travis Mrs Tyman (1950's) Mr & Mrs Cheverton (1973) Mr & Mrs Whitbread Mr & Mrs Richards Mr & Mrs Maxwell-Timmins (2006)	The house was built sometime after April 1926 when the deeds show that the land was transferred from William Shearburn to Maurice Denham Jephson. In 1973 the house was sold to Clare Homes Ltd who built numbers 26, 28 and 29 in the garden. The builders then sold the original house with a reduced garden, to the Chivertons for £26,000. The Richards family added a single storey extension around 2004.
28		1975	Mr & Mrs Skelton (1975) Mr & Mrs Blamey (1996) Mr & Mrs Jackson (2021)	Builder: Clare Homes
29		1975	Mr & Mrs Kendrick (1975)	Builder: Mann Construction

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