

POLICE

Memoirs of the village policeman

Tape 17 -

Village policeman – Mr Brooks lived in the village. Bungalow to the left of the telephone box.

Interview 46 -

Village Police Patrol on Cycle. Seeing the Benson Village Policeman ‘cycling through Ewelme was a familiar sight, almost the Dixon of Dock Green style Policeman. I can still remember Mr Nash when he was the Benson Policeman, he was very sociable. It might seem petty now but to be caught riding a pushbike at night without lights would result in a summons and mention in the local newspaper. Sometimes a Police chase would ensue and the offender, if young, could easily out ‘cycle the Policeman.

File 51a/b

Tom Orpwood, other than chairman of the evacuee committee, was also the village Special Policeman.

File 57

Village Policeman - We were all respectful of P C Nash on his bicycle (cycled from Benson). My grandfather once had to call on his services to sort out some lads rampaging on motorbikes that entered the pub and was noisy and abusive. I remember him getting hold of one of them and dragging him over the bar! A black Maria came along and took the bunch away leaving their motorbikes to be picked up at a later date.