

Hannington Parish

17 list entries including a grade II church, grade II* mansion house and a grade II* farmhouse*

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Church of St. John the Baptist

HANNINGTON WICK

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QUEEN'S ROAD

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Hannington lies about a mile west of the town of Highworth. The parish is made up of two settlements, the village of Hannington and the scattered settlement of Hannington Wick.

Hannington sits astride a low point of the Coral Ragstone ridge that is such a feature of this part of North Wiltshire. Its location a mile to the north of the old coach road (see the description for Blunsdon) probably accounted for its lack of growth compared with nearby Highworth. This apparent isolation has enabled it to retain its simple character. It may also account for the relatively odd location for the parish church which can be seen more clearly by parts of Highworth than by the parishioners of Hannington themselves.

The eastern part of **Hannington** is dominated by the very fine Hannington Hall, the ancestral home of the Freke family. This Grade II*(starred) Listed Building was built for Sir Thomas Freke in 1653 and possibly incorporates an earlier parsonage. Various other buildings in the curtilage of Hannington Hall including a well-house and an ice house, the latter being one of only three such listed buildings in Thamesdown.

Despite being close to Castle Eaton the vernacular architectural style of **Hannington** is that of the "Home Counties style" with an emphasis on the use of local Coral Ragstone for walls and either Cotswold Stone or Welsh slates for the roofs.

Hannington Wick in the flood valley to the north is a loose settlement of farmhouses strung along the Hannington to Kempsford road. This wide former drove road was probably a year round road ford of the River Thames into Gloucestershire, giving a direct route connecting Highworth with the large and affluent wool and market town of Cirencester. The term Wick means the dairy farm of the manor.

Church of St. John the Baptist

Hannington

DCMS Ref: 5/211 Grade:

II*First Listed:**26.01.55**Amended:**23.04.82**

Small late C12 and early C13-type aisless country parish church largely rebuilt by Slater and Carpenter 1868-71 reusing several old parts and C15 west tower. Rubble with ashlar dressings and stone tile roof. Four and a half bay nave with low buttresses and small lancet windows except for square headed east window on east side. Norman south doorway of late type with one order of chevron clasping roll and label of saltire crosses, cillet impost and headstone corbel over; projecting gabled porch. Reset north doorway - round headed but early C13 mouldings. Two bay square ended chancel with perpendicular square-headed 2-light tracery windows and a blocked priest's door. Perpendicular east window with vestry to north which has tall chimney. Two stage embattled west tower on moulded plinth, diagonal buttresses, corner gargoyles; C15 west door with drop and rosettes in spandrels.

Interior: C19 seating. Several Freke monuments. Rood stair at north-east corner of nave. Reredos has scenes painted on tin in tracery panels. Stone effigy, probably C14, of a women with mitred heads flanking hers. In the tower a large wall monument to Thomas Pile (1754) 3 black Corinthian columns carry fragments of a segmental pediment and in the middle an urn. Cherubs heads in panels between.

Cherry-Tree Farmhouse**Hannington Wick**

Hannington

DCMS Ref: 2/225

Grade:**II**First Listed:**26.1.55**

Late C17. Two storeys and attic. Rubble with roofs of stone, slate and modern tile. To east, house has 'L'-plan with slight break to south wing which has a pair of diagonal chimneys and door in angle; one 3 light casement window. Slight gabled break in centre of extension to right with 2 light attic, 3 light first floor and 4-light ground floor window. Lower 2 storey wing to right with an irregular range of windows and door to left. Further lower extension to right. The south facing windows of the south wing were presumably formerly mullioned, now with wood lintels.

SBC note: Renovations carried out in the 1980's resulted in Cotswold Stone slates replacing the mix of roof coverings identified when the building was listed.

Manor Farmhouse**Hannington Wick**

Hannington

(formerly listed as Manor)

DCMS Ref:2/226

Grade:**II***First Listed:**26.1.55**

Apparently mid-to-late C17 but possibly later (see porch). Symmetrical front. Two and a half storeys. Two gabled bays. Rubble with ashlar quoins and weathered coping with ball-finials and moulded footstones to gables. Stone tile roofs with central chimneys of 3 diagonal shafts (modern brick). Plinth, chamfered lintel strings to ground and first floor floors. Three light ovolo mullion windows with relieving arches. Two light attic windows with drips and bullseyes over. Central projecting ashlar gabled tower porch of 2 storeys, appears circa 1720. Segmental pediment to eared doorway; label over, apparently returning that of main building. Modern Tudor-style door.

Two storey angled bay on return to south of 1-3-1 lights with lintel strings returned. Lower gabled extension to left with blocked attic, a further chimney with diagonal shafts, rear door to left of chimney axis with granary over.

Interior: interesting Jacobean-type staircase with slat ballusters and on landing an unusual double stair arrangement.

Note: Extended and renovated in late 1980's.

Yewtree Farmhouse

Hannington Wick
Hannington

DCMS Ref:2/227

Grade:II

First Listed:**20.09.79**

Early C18. Rubble with moulded plinth and ground floor lintel band. Hipped stone tile roof with brick side chimneys. Coved eaves cornice. Two storeys, 5 windows stone mullions and transome (later casements). Divided transom light to central chamfered doorway, 6 panel doorway, semi-circular threshold stone.

Stone wall to garden, about 3-4 ft high rubble in front of house. Small square rubble (privy) pavilion to south-east with pyramidal stone tile roof.

Yewtree Cottage

Hannington

and

No 2 Bridge Cottage

Hannington

DCMS Ref:2/228

Grade:II

First Listed:**20.09.79**

Probably late C19 replica of late C17 style house for a pair of farm cottages. Two and a half storeys rubble with ashlar quoins. Two ranges of 3 light casement windows with drips and relieving arches. Central door also with drip and relieving arch and small single light window with drip over. South gable end has 2 light attic window. Quarter hipped stone tile roof with central brick stack.

Hannington Hall

Queen's Road (north side)

Hannington

DCMS Ref:5/212

Grade:II* GV

First Listed:**26.01.55**

Amended:**20.11.92**

House. 1653 by Raufe and William Freke, sons of Sir Thomas Freke who bought estate in 1605, possibly incorporating earlier parsonage. Staircase with glass dome above, front (S) porch and bow window. French Drawing Room and Orangery added during remodelling of house for Col. Henry Freke in 1836. Service wing to east side of house added 1863 (truncated 1963). Two and a half storeys, rubble with ashlar quoins and dressings, and balustraded parapet stone tile roofs. East front probably fairly original, though lacks entrance if it ever had one. Five bays, centre a 2 storey angled bay; flanking gables with weathered coping-gables and adjacent bays possibly added 1697 (see rainwater heads). Long inscription below parapet of centre 5 bays and 2 panels of devices celebrating the brotherly love of Williams and Raufe Freke. Large chimneys with diagonal shafts. Outer 2 bays on each side have mullion windows with drips and, in gables, relieving arches (a later C17 local characteristic). Inner 3 bays have large mullion and transom windows. Three windows. Two bay 1863 matching extension to right, remains of a considerable service wing, removed recently. South side, much altered circa 1836, has central porch break with moulded Tudor archway and 3-light window over; flanking angled bays with shields between floors. Orangery breaks forward to left: 3 x 6 bays, panelled pilasters and balustered parapet inscribed "Henricus Freke C.B.1836". Adjacent to Orangery at rear of house is the French Drawing Room; interior in Louis XV style, competently done and with 6 medallion painting by Captain Willes-Johnson R.N. (who inherited 1848).

Rest of interior: largely remodelled by Colonel Henry Freke in the 1830's eg 4 centred ornamental panelled hall-vault with pendants and ornamental vaults in other rooms; top-lit staircase. Stair hall contained a late C16/early C17 fireplace with carved overmantel from Bristol. An Adam-style fireplace of plain design in south-east room (from Wroughton House, qv) dining-room with heavy Jacobean ornamentation designed by Sir Harold Brakespeare in 1924.

Street wall and gate piers to south of Hannington Hall
Queen's Road (north side)
 Hannington

DCMS Ref:5/213
 Grade:II GV
 First Listed:**20.09.79**

Circa 1863. Rubble with weathered coping. About 3 ft high to north and 6 ft high to south. About 100 yds long, gate piers at each end, on north side leading into stable yard.

Stable block at Hannington Hall
Queen's Road (north side)
 Hannington

DCMS Ref:5/214
 Grade:II GV

Circa 1863. 'L' plan. Rubble with tiled roofs. Subdued Gothic-style with mullion windows, relieving arches etc. Altered on ground floor to right. South block has segmental coach arches and 3 gabled dormers. Main block has central raised gable with clock and belfry. Shield panels flank central door. Separate extension to right with segmental type pointed arch door and flanking windows, horseboxes inside intact.

Well-house in stable yard of Hannington Hall
Queen's Road (north side)
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DCMS Ref:5/215
 Grade:II GV

Probably circa 1863. Hexagonal rubble structure with ashlar plinth and quoins. Pyramidal stone tile roof. Door to yard to west and unglazed slit windows. Formerly had a donkey wheel. In corner of adjacent wall is set a datestone
 " J.W.F.
 July 12

1787 "

Ice-house to north-east of Hannington Hall
Queen's Road (north side)

DCMS Ref:5/216
 Grade:II

HanningtonAn ice-house is mentioned in 1799 but this one appears to date from the mid C19. Brick cylinder with dome vault, entered from east.

Glebe House
Queen's Road (north side)

DCMS Ref:5/217
 Grade:II GV

HanningtonCirca 1720 in earlier style. Two and a half storeys. Front coursed rubble in alternating wide and thin courses. Coved plaster eaves cornice. Stone tile roof. Three brick chimney stacks with diagonal shafts. Six bays, C19 2-light casements, with keystones on ground floor. Off-centre right tower porch of painted brick - whipped roof, a later addition with Tudor arch doorway and pointed lights to sides. Two gabled dormers to rear. Interior: staircase with turned balusters and ramped rail.

York House
Queen's Road (north side)

DCMS Ref:5/218
 Grade:II GV

HanningtonProbably circa 1710, but site considerably older. Two and a half storeys rubble with slate roof. T-plan stone chimney off-centre right. Three windows, 3 light casements plus one window on ground floor to left. One attic window to right in a gable, later casements. Wooden lintels. Late C19 glazed and gabled porch and half glazed door. Interior altered but retains a decorative stop chamfer on ground floor beams (see also at Lower Farm, qv). Included with this item is a 3 bay outhouse to rear, now converted. It contains a large fireplace with a bread oven and a stop chamfered C18 beam.

Nos 8 and 10
Queen's Road (north side)
 Hannington

DCMS Ref:5/218
 Grade:II GV

C17, altered C18 and again in C19. Two and a half storeys rubble with stone tile roof. Brick gable and chimneys, one with diagonal shafts. Timber lintels and C19 brick dressings to windows. Two irregular windows to east and one range to south, plain casements. Plain doors. Two gabled dormers. Lean-tos to south and to north. Four windows, dormer and gabled porch to north-west.

Knoll House
Queen's Road (south side)
 Hannington

DCMS Ref:5/220
 Grade:II GV

C18 altered. Two and a half storeys altered. Rubble, part rendered. Later brick quoins and dressings. Hipped stone tile roof. T-plan. South front 1+1 windows, modern casements and 3 central slits to stairs. To west, gable from roof for chimney swamped by later catslide for kitchen. Front may be a mid C19 remodelling, has taller T plan extension with attic to rear. Interior: inglenook with fireplace with bread oven; the one attic room is said to have been a cheese-room.

The Jolly Tar Public House
Queen's Road (south side)
 Hannington

DCMS Ref:5/221
 Grade:II GV

C18. Two and a half storeys. Painted rubble with wooden lintels. Slate roof, half hipped to right. Two ridge chimneys. Two gabled dormers, with Yorkshire sashes. Mid C19 gabled tower porch to right. Two+one+three bays, 2 and 3 light casement windows.

Hill Farmhouse and adjoining barn
Wick Road
 Hannington

DCMS Ref:5/222
 Grade:II GV

C17 or early C18, extensively modernised and converted. Two storeys, rubble with stone tile roof. Rear has attic and gabled wing now a porch on piers. Irregular plan: quarter hipped gabled projection to left with catslide; 2 window wing to right with converted central doorway (now a window) and 2½ storey extension to rear. Modern casements and lintels.

The **barn** is probably C18. A long thatched building which has two midstreys to west (with glazed openings) and now has a central chimney. Slit windows and buttress to road frontage. Joined to farmhouse by short link section. Included partly in consideration of its contribution to the village character.

Lower Farmhouse
Wick Road
 Hannington

DCMS Ref:5/224
 Grade:II

Circa 1720s front slightly altered in C19. Two storeys, rubble with ashlar quoins. Four windows, glazing bar sashes on ground floor, left of centre tripartite, 2 others segmental-headed. Two 3-light casements on first floor with wooden lintels. Pantile roof with stone eaves courses and 3 brick chimneys. Modern porch to right of centre. High-pitched corrugated lean-to to right. Gable-lit garrets. Stair turret to rear. Interior: decorative stop chamfers to main beam (see York House, Queen's Road, qv). Through passage plan.

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Water privy at Yewtree Farmhouse, Hannington Wick.

Well-House in stable yard of Hannington Hall.

View of rear elevation of Lower Farmhouse, Wick Road, Hannington, showing the eighteenth century stair turret.

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