

Summary of Interview with Freddy Perry

Interviewee : Bertrand Edward Perry, born 17 December 1922

Interviewers : Irini Tzortzoglou & John Batty

Date of Interview : 11 May 2015 Duration of Recording : 45 mins 32 secs

Approx time (mins)	Content
0 – 1	Introduction and background to nickname Freddy.
1 – 2¼	Born in Brockley, South East London; family details.
2¼ – 4½	Reasons for coming to Cartmel in 1973; house selection.
4½ – 6	Career notes; worked for ICI; commuted from Cartmel to Fleetwood.
6 – 7½	History of St.Mary's Lodge; former barn attached, used for village meetings and entertainments pre village hall; visited by Ellen Terry.
7½ – 9½	Memories of Cartmel on arrival in 1973.
9½ – 13	Became a Church Warden in 1987; Church Warden's duties on a normal Sunday.
13 – 15	Church Warden's duties for other types of services; typical congregations and Priory capacity.
15 – 16½	Comments on known 4 Vicars : Derek Stiff, Chris Atkinson, Robert Bailey & Nick Devenish.
16½ – 17½	Fabric repairs – plans refused for new heating system.
17½ – 21½	Preparations for 800th anniversary; new bell frame planned; details of bells, some very old.
21½ – 26	Comments on bell ringers; when the bells are rung and how the bells are rung.
26 – 27	Bell ringing on special occasions.
27 – 28¼	Visit of BBC Choir; the local Choral Society.
28¼ – 30½	Planning 800th anniversary celebrations.
30½ – 34	Village support; changes in the composition of the choir; changing fashions in the congregation.
34 – 36½	Church Warden involvement in choosing new Vicars, and some experiences.
36½ – 38½	Collection of old Post Cards, and how they were obtained, mostly from visiting dealer.
38½ – 39½	The old Smithy, now L'Enclume, was once a gallery for an art dealer.
39½ – 43¼	Other changes remembered in the village; Dr Atkinson's surgery in Cavendish Street; his receptionist, Monica Wright was a bell ringer, and remembered for bringing cups of tea up Priory Tower during work to replace the bell frame; experiences with Dr Atkinson, his retirement, and his ensuring a new surgery in Cartmel.
43¼ – 45	Other memories of former Cartmel residents : Tim Hunt and Tom Weir.
45 – 45¾	Conclusion, and preparation for a commemorative photograph.