

### Unicorn Inn

Market Place  
Deddington  
Oxon OX15 0SE  
Manager: David Bass  
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Mid-17th century listed building, remodelled late 18th/early 19th centuries and again in the 20th century. A former coaching inn. Standard Steak Inn restaurant menu daily. Bar food at lunchtime. Bargain set meals Mon-Fri. Weekend specials. Sunday roasts.

Six en suite bedrooms. Courtyard.

### Windmill Fish 'n' Chips

Hempton Road  
Deddington  
Oxon OX15 0HG

Proprietor: Mrs Maureen Bond  
Tel. 01869 338496



Traditional fish and chips. Kebabs, hot dogs. Cheeseburgers. Omelettes. Mushy peas. Apple and blackberry rolls, etc. Open Wed-Sat 12 noon-2pm. Wed, Thurs, Sat 5-8pm. Fri 5-9.30pm. Closed Sun, Mon, Tues.

**HEMPTON** At the time of writing there are no pubs or restaurants in Hempton. In the late 18th century there were two inns, but by 1821 only the Plough remained. It stood at the crossroads until the early 20th century, when it was closed and later demolished.

Sources: *The Story of Deddington*, Mary Vane Turner, 1933; *Clifton Past & Present*, L E Gardner, 1955; *A History of Deddington, Oxfordshire*, H M Colvin, 1963; *The Victoria County History - Oxfordshire*, 1983; *Schedule of Listed Buildings*, 1988; Deddington Oral History Project.

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The Stone House, Market Place, Deddington, Oxon OX15 0SD

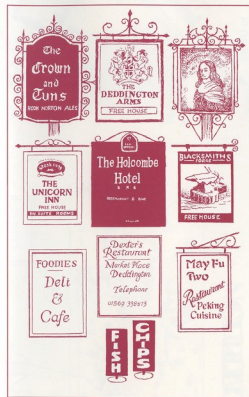
### WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

*Aynho on the hill  
Clifton in the clay  
Dirty, drunken Deddington  
And Hempton high way*

Is there any truth in this old rhyme? Here are just some of the drinking and eating places that have come and gone. Where an actual or probable location is known, we have marked the map (see inside pages).

- 1 BEAR
- 2 BELL
- 3 BISHOP'S INN *now the Mount*
- 4 BLACK SWAN
- 5 BUTCHER'S ARMS
- 6 CROWN, CLIFTON *now Sedgheill*
- 7 CROWN, DEDDINGTON *now Gegg's Hook*
- 8 EL MEXICANA *now May Fu Two*
- 9 EXHIBITION INN *now Three Horseshoes, private house*
- 10 FLYING HORSE *(became the Volunteer)*
- 11 GORSE GREEN BEER HOUSES *(possibly the Mount)*
- 12 HOLE IN THE WALL *now the Mount*
- 13 HOTEL RUSSELL *now Russell House*
- 14 KEMPSTER'S ALE HOUSE *(became Tucker's, then the Country Store, now Dexter's)*
- 15 KING'S ARMS *now Deddington Arms*
- 16 LEADENPORCH BEER HOUSE *now Leadenporch House*
- 17 MARKET HOUSE TEA ROOMS *(became Tiffany's)*
- 18 NEW INN *(possibly on SW corner of High Street)*
- 19 PILGRIM'S REST
- 20 PLOUGH INN, DEDDINGTON *now Plough House*
- 21 PLOUGH INN, HEMPTON *(was at the crossroads)*
- 22 PRIORY ICE CREAM PARLOUR *(became El Mexicana)*
- 23 QUEEN'S ARMS *(became King's Arms)*
- 24 RED LION *17th century (possibly on N side of Horsefair)*
- 25 RED LION - *19th century now Blacksmith's Forge*
- 26 SHIP *(was in Horsefair)*
- 27 SWAN, CLIFTON *now St James Farm*
- 28 THREE HORSESHOES *(became Exhibition Inn)*
- 29 TIFFANY'S *(became Dexter's, now retail premises)*
- 30 VOLUNTEER *(became Hotel Russell)*

## Where to Eat and Drink in Deddington and Clifton



MAPPING THE MILLENNIUM

**D**EDDINGTON was possibly founded in the 9th or 10th century by a Mercian lord called Daeda. The settlement came to be known as Daedintun – 'the village of Daeda's people'. Over the centuries, eating and drinking places in great variety have come and gone. Today Deddington, with Clifton and Hempton, is a thriving community with some very pleasant pubs and restaurants, every one of them good of its kind. We list them in alphabetical order. The map on the inside pages shows where they are – or were (see 'Where Are They Now?' back page).

### Blacksmith's Forge

Market Place  
Deddington  
Oxon OX15 0SE

*Proprietors:*  
*Gordon & Sarah McLeod*  
Tel. 01869 338553

In the 19th century, a farmhouse became the Red Lion, which became the Blacksmith's Forge in the 1990s. French provincial cuisine in the dining room Tues–Sat evenings. Bar lunches every day, by the coal fire in winter or in the courtyard when warmer. Aunt Sally played throughout the year.

### Crown and Tuns

New Street  
Deddington  
Oxon OX15 0SP

*Landlord: Alan Humphries*  
Tel. 01869 337371

Eighteenth-century listed building, probably with 16th-century origins. Extensive alterations in the 20th century. Cask-conditioned, dry-hopped real ale from the 150-year-old Hook Norton Brewery. This old coaching inn has been in every edition of the *Good Beer Guide* for 25 years. Toasties, bar snacks, traditional pub games.



### Deddington Arms

Horsefair  
Deddington  
Oxon OX15 0SH  
*Manager: John Anderson*  
Tel. 01869 338364  
Fax: 01869 337010  
email: deddarms@aol.com

Listed building, possibly 16th century, and remodelled every century since. Innovative fresh food. Real ale. International wine list. Air conditioning. Twenty-seven en suite rooms, including the former Magistrates' Court. Conference rooms. Formerly the King's Arms, a coaching inn.

### Dexter's Restaurant

Market Place  
Deddington  
Oxon OX15 0SA

*Managing Director:*  
*Jamie Dexter Harrison*  
Tel/Fax: 01869 338813

Mid-18th century listed building at various times an ale house, village stores and antiques shop. Now an informal style restaurant on two floors. Modern British food. À la carte, vegetarian and set menus. Children half price. International wine list. Open seven days a week, 10am–2pm and 6–11pm.



### Duke of Cumberland's Head

Clifton  
Deddington, Oxon OX15 0PE  
*Director: Nick Huntington*  
Tel. 01869 338534  
Fax. 01869 338643



Listed building, probably 17th century, remodelled in the 18th and 20th centuries. Thatched. Table d'hôte meals in the restaurant. Bar food every day except Sunday evenings. Log fires in winter. Six en suite bedrooms. In the 1850s 'the Duke' also housed a beaver hat factory.



### Foodies

Deli and Café  
Market Place  
Deddington, Oxon OX15 0SA  
*Proprietor: Lucy Parker*  
Tel. 01869 337470  
Mobile: 0802 340240

Mid-18th century listed building. Delicatessen specialising in pâtés, meats, fresh bread, pastries, olives, etc. Catering for cocktail parties, dinners, buffets, corporate lunches, family meals, picnic hampers.

Small café open all year round. Coffee on the patio in summer.

### Holcombe Hotel and Restaurant

High Street  
Deddington  
Oxon OX15 0SL

*Resident owners.*  
*Carol & Chedley Mahfoudh*  
Tel. 01869 338274  
Fax: 01869 337167



Eighteenth-century listed building, possibly with earlier origins. Seventeen en suite rooms, including bridal suite. Classical French and traditional English cuisine (AA Red Rosette and RAC Restaurant Awards in the restaurant. Conference facilities. A member of the Best Western group of independent hotels.



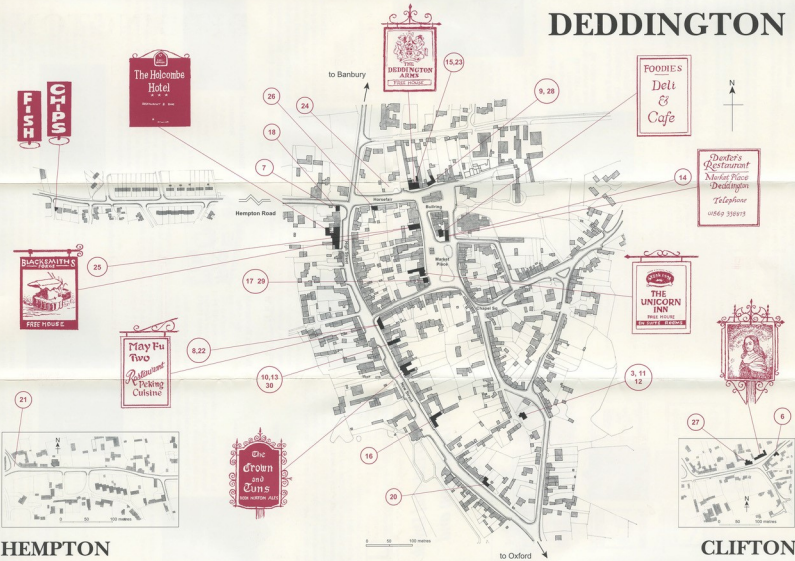
### May Fu Two

1 New Street  
Deddington  
Oxon OX15 0SP

*Proprietor:*  
*Michael Lim*  
Tel. 01869 338047/  
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Restaurant and takeaway. Authentic Peking cuisine, plus traditional recipes from various regions of China. Open Mon–Sat 12 noon–2pm and 5.30–11pm. Sun 12 noon–2.30pm, with eat-as-much-as-you-like buffet (children under 5 free). Parties catered for. Phone orders welcome.

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