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CHAPEL OF ST JOHN. 1850–1, designed by the Rev. William Wilson, junior (son of the founder). Nave and chancel in one, with tall w bellcote, s porch and lower former school (now hall) in the position of a N aisle. Single or paired lancets, with a stepped triplet, E. Inside, a short double-chamfered two-bay N arcade (to the school/hall); cross-raftered roof. – FONT, from Over Worton (q.v.). Round Norman bowl, incised all over with irregular chevron patterns, some turning into lozenges. – Other FITTINGS mostly of 1850–1.

To the w an attractive row of early C18 thatched COTTAGES, curving into Barford Road.

ILBURY CAMP, 7/8 m. SSW. An Iron Age hill-fort of about six acres, making use of a prominent ridge. Kidney-shaped, narrowing to the NW, with the entrance at the SE corner. The E half has been mostly ploughed out, the rest is now covered by trees.