Shutford village house name quiz part 1 (2026)

Can you find all these Shutford houses?

Read each clue carefully - the answer is a house name somewhere in the village.

Is your house among them?!

You can print out and use this copy to record your answers as you look around the village, then you must enter your answers into this link: Shutford Village house names quiz No.1 by 9pm Thursday 18th June in order to enter the competition and win a prize. Hard copy or emailed entries will not be accepted.

Walk carefully and respect residents' privacy.
All names are visible from the roadside.
Don't open any gates.

There are 30 houses to find in this quiz – the clues are not in any particular order around the village, but all are within the main body of the village.

You will score ONE point for getting the correct house name, and ONE point for the correct road.

The winner will be announced at the Midsummer Fete on 20th June and will receive a prize. We will email you to confirm if you are a winner. Answers will be published after fete day.

Good luck!

House #1

Fans of a famous Jane Austen novel will recognise this name — it's the grand estate belonging to the mysterious Mr. Darcy. Find the house that shares its name with fiction's most famous country pile!

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #2

Before emails, texts, and messaging apps, everyone in the village had to come here to send a letter or buy a stamp. What do you think this building used to be?

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #3

An old-fashioned word for a large farm, or the cluster of farm buildings attached to a large country house. The name of this home suggests its history as such.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #4

Keep very quiet after dark and you might just hear the noise this house is named after, made by a very wise bird – but how many times do you hear it?

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #5
A house named after something that isn't there! Look around — is this house standing in a spot that is noticeably clear of trees? Sometimes an absence tells you just as much as a presence; plus, you might struggle to keep your log burner fuelled up in this house in winter.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #6
In medieval villages, one person held a very important job — they managed the lord's land, collected rents from tenants, settled disputes, and made sure nobody stepped out of line. A bit like an estate manager and a law enforcer rolled into one. Find the home where this powerful local official lived.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #7
Ho, ho, ho! This house is named after the most festive time of year. Imagine waking up here on the 25th of December — it must feel extra special. Happy holidays!

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #8
Long before there were pubs in every town, villages made their own ale right here. Can you sniff out where the hops used to bubble and the barrels were filled?

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #9
In a famous musical set on a tropical island during the Second World War, a mysterious and magical island calls out across the sea. Find the house named after that enchanted isle!

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #10
This one's refreshingly simple — no riddles needed! Just count the number of entry/exit points for this home as you walk along, and when you reach the right number, you've found it.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #11
Hammer, saw, chisel, plane — the person who once lived here worked with their hands every day, shaping timber into furniture, beams, and buildings. A very important trade in any village!

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #12
The second word is easy — it's a small, babbling stream that you might hear before you see it. The first word is a bit of old slang for a policeman or maybe a rough, shuffling person.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #13
A small, cosy, tucked-away corner — the sort of spot you would curl up in with a good book and a mug of hot chocolate. Look carefully for a house that seems to be hiding in just such a snug little place.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #14
A climbing plant that winds its way up hedges and fences, with sweet-smelling, trumpet-shaped flowers. Here's a secret: if you pull the flower out gently and touch your tongue to the base, you can taste the nectar. Find the cottage named after this countryside favourite.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #15
'I'm at my ___ ___!' people say when they've completely run out of ideas and don't know what to do next. Can you find the house that sums up that exasperated feeling?

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #16
Sometimes everything comes down to a roll of the dice, a flip of a coin, or a twist of fate. This house is named after that wonderful, unpredictable force that can change everything in an instant — neither skill nor planning, just pure fortune. Do you feel lucky today?

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #17
From this house, according to its name, you should be able to spot the village church.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #18
A prickly hedgerow plant that bursts into clouds of white blossom every May — that's why it's also called the 'May tree'. Country people used to say that if you brought its flowers indoors, it was bad luck! Find the home named after this superstitious shrub.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #19
Did you know that Beatrix Potter, the author of Peter Rabbit, had a famous farmhouse in the Lake District, with the same name as this home in Shutford? Whether or not this home was named after it, you'll find it by heading for the highest point nearby.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #20
This cottage is named after one of Britain's most popular climbing garden plants — it scrambles up walls and fences, and in spring and summer bursts into spectacular star-shaped flowers in purple, pink, or white.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #21
Who was it that made the king laugh in a medieval court? They wore brightly coloured costumes, juggled, tumbled, and told jokes for a living. Find the cottage named after this merry performer!

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #22
Before electricity, grain was ground into flour using enormous round stones that weighed as much as a small car. Find the home named after this mighty grinding stone.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #23
Sometimes even the tiniest spaces between things deserve a name.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #24
In days gone by, every child in this village learnt their reading, writing, and arithmetic right here. Imagine your whole class in one single room!

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #25
In April and May, this flower turns whole woodland floors into carpets of violet blue. They hang their heads and look like tiny ringing instruments.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #26
In the days when every grand house and farm depended on horses, one person had a very special job: rising before dawn to muck out the stables, brush and feed the animals, clean the tack, and make sure every horse was gleaming and ready to work. It was skilled, physical work, and the person who did it lived very close to the horses in their care. Find the home named after this important member of the stable yard.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #27

The tree this home is named after is a British favourite — it has delicate, feathery leaves that turn vibrant colours in autumn when it is absolutely laden with clusters of bright scarlet berries. In old folklore, it was planted near homes to ward off witches. Keep your eyes peeled for those tell-tale red berries!

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #28

Don't get your feet wet! This home is named after a way of crossing a stream — one careful, balanced pace at a time.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #29

In ancient Greece and Rome, the greatest champions — victorious athletes, generals, and emperors — were crowned with a wreath woven from the leaves of a dark, glossy evergreen plant. Even today we still use an expression about this plant when we say someone is living off past glory – 'sitting on their …'. Find the cottage named after this classic symbol of victory.

What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

House #30

This is a made-up, catch-all word for any small mechanical gadget or gizmo — the sort of mysterious little device an inventor might tinker with in a shed, without anyone being quite sure what it does. It is also what engineers say when they cannot remember the proper name for something. This is almost certainly the most gloriously unusual house name on the entire trail!

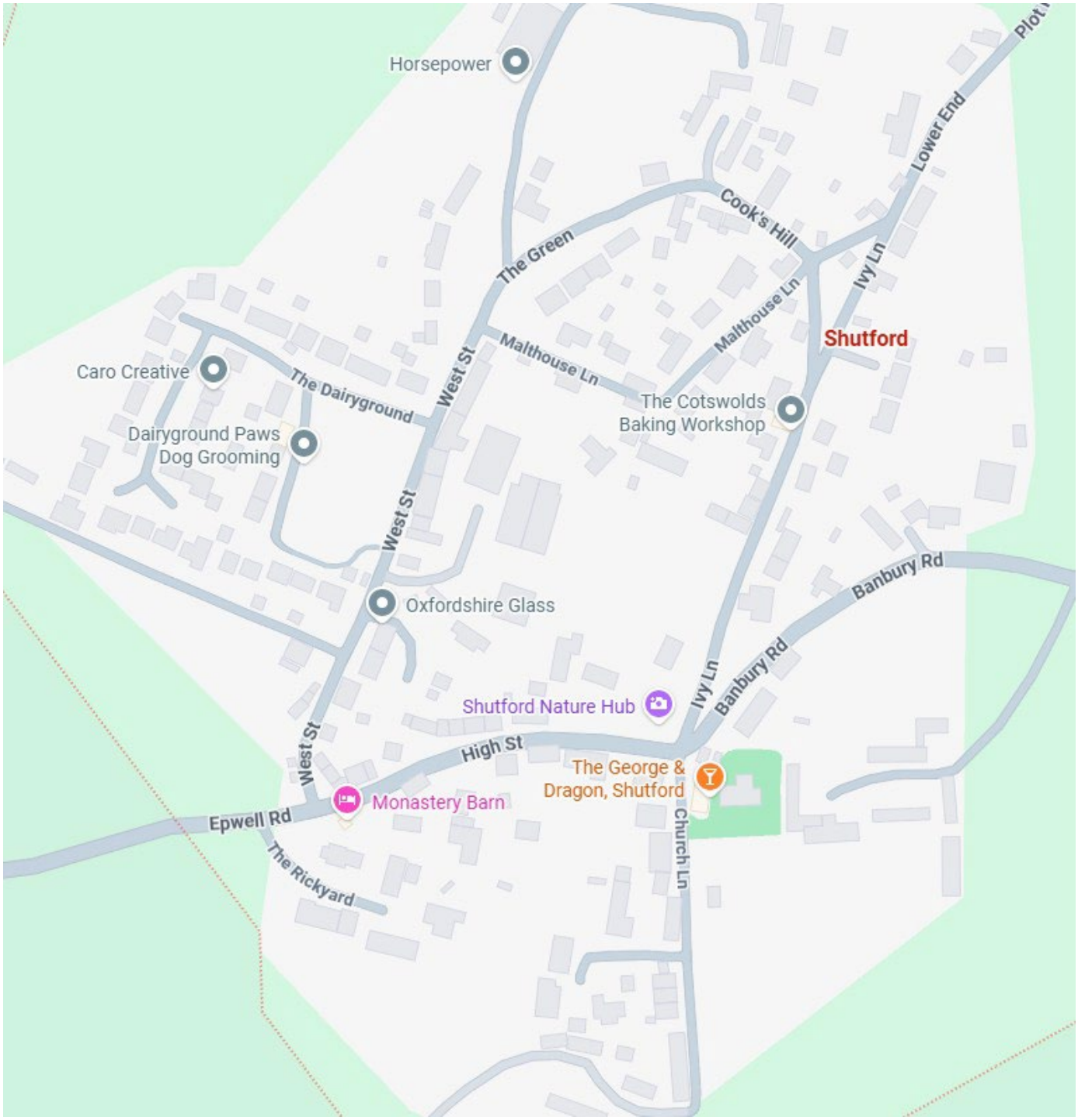
What is the house name and road name?

Answer: _____

Now submit your answers here: Shutford Village house names quiz No.1

by 9pm Thursday 18th June 2026

The link can also be found on the Shutford Website home page.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