

Bygone Buses

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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

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THE KETTERING & DISTRICT OMNIBUS COMPANY LIMITED (31280) 1A Gas Street, KETTERING

The Kettering & District Omnibus Company Limited was incorporated on 18th April 1890 ...“to carry into effect an agreement to take over the business of an Omnibus Proprietor and carrier now carried on by Charles Sharman at Kettering (see NN-SH1) and the carriages, omnibuses, chattels and effects used in the said business”.

The intention was to carry on the business in and around Kettering and the Nominal Capital of the Company was £4000 in 4000 Shares of £1 each.

The Subscribers at the date of the formation of the Kettering and District Omnibus Company Limited were as follows:-

Richard Widdington, 7 High Street, Kettering	Stationer	10
Edward Paul Toller, The Headlands, Kettering	Solicitor	5
Henry Frederick Henson, 6 Victoria Street, Kettering	Builder	20
Henry Hitchman, 15 Market Place, Kettering	Chemist	5
Matthew Charles Wilson, The Headlands, Kettering	Cashier	5
John Henson, Queensbury Villa, Q'bury Road, Kettering	Retired Builder	10
Charles Sharman, Loddington	Omnibus Proprietor	25

The Registered Office of the Company changed from 1A Gas Street to Upper Field Street, Kettering on 19th August 1891.

The routes operated by the Kettering & District Omnibus Co. Ltd. and details of the horse-buses owned and used are unknown. Evidently the company did not enjoy great financial success as an Extraordinary General meeting was called at the George Hotel, Kettering on Friday 10th June 1892 when a special resolution was passed, as was an identical one at a subsequent Extraordinary General Meeting held at the same location on Friday 1st July 1892..... “That the Kettering & District Omnibus Co. Ltd. be wound up voluntarily and that Matthew Charles Wilson of Kettering, Secretary of the Kettering & District Omnibus Co. Ltd. be appointed liquidator”. The Company was duly wound up on 17th February 1893.