

THE HISTORY OF YOUR AREA

This remarkable image of Parsons Green was taken in 1870. Until the late 19th Century, Fulham was mainly farmland and market gardens, famous for its prolific production of fruit, vegetables and flowers. Only a few small cottages and large country houses sat amongst the fields...

The earliest record of Fulham is 691AD when a grant of the manor was made to the then Bishop of London and his successors. The Bishops' main residence was by St Paul's Cathedral and Fulham Palace became their country seat. The Domesday Book in 1086 valued the Bishop's land in Fulham at £40.

In the 16th Century, Queen Elizabeth I was a frequent visitor to the Palace and had a hunting lodge in the area we now know as the Crabtree Estate.

Munster Road first appeared in 1397 when it was just a dirt track for local farmers and in the 1660s Munster House was used as a country retreat by Charles II – the King's Road was his private road and remained for the Monarch's exclusive use until 1830. It is said he built Sandford House

at Sands End for his mistress, Nell Gwynn, and the couple spent much time there.

Fulham's riverside location brought early industrialisation and with it a desperate need for housing, so in the late 1800s farmland began to be sold off to local developers. Soon after this photograph was taken building work began, producing the rows of terraced houses we know today, and many of the streets take their names from the local farmers and landowners.

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