

Village History Timeline.

8,000 BC `	End of ice age
5,500 BC	Mesolithic barrows on Chaldon Down
1,800 - 800 BC	Bronze age barrows, Five Mary,s; celtic field patterns.
AD 42 - 410	Romans drop pots in fields!
1086	Domesday survey. 50 residents of Chaldon recorded.
1172	Bindon Abbey holds most of land.
1348	Black Death enters country via Weymouth. West Chaldon loses two priests.
1350 onward	Gradual decline of West Chaldon
1446	West Chaldon parish united with East Chaldon.
1541	Dissolution of Bindon Abbey.
1641	Welds buy most of estate.
1645	Civil war. Estate sequestrated then recovered
1728	Manor House built by Richard Gostelow on site of medieval house.
1789	Manor and Lordship of Chaldon Herring conveyed from the Duke of Beaufort to Thomas Weld.
1790	Welds buy Manor House.
1793 to 1815	French revolution and Napoleonic wars. Exiled royal court to Lulworth. Excavated Five Mary's.
1847	School built.
1877	Restoration of Church.
1904	Theodore Powys takes up residence
1921	Stephen Tomalin first visits Chaldon.
1922	Sylvia Townsend Warner first visits.
1925	Valentine Ackland first visits.
Mid 1920s	Elizabeth Muntz becomes a frequent visitor.
1929	Weld Estate sell properties in village by auction.
1930	Sylvia Townsend Warner buys Miss Green's cottage.

- 1937 Sylvia and Valentine move to Frome Vauchurch..
- 1940 Theodore Powys moved to Mappowder.
- 1947 Council Houses Built.
- 1986 Old Playing Field bungalows built.
Fields Barn renovated and new builds.