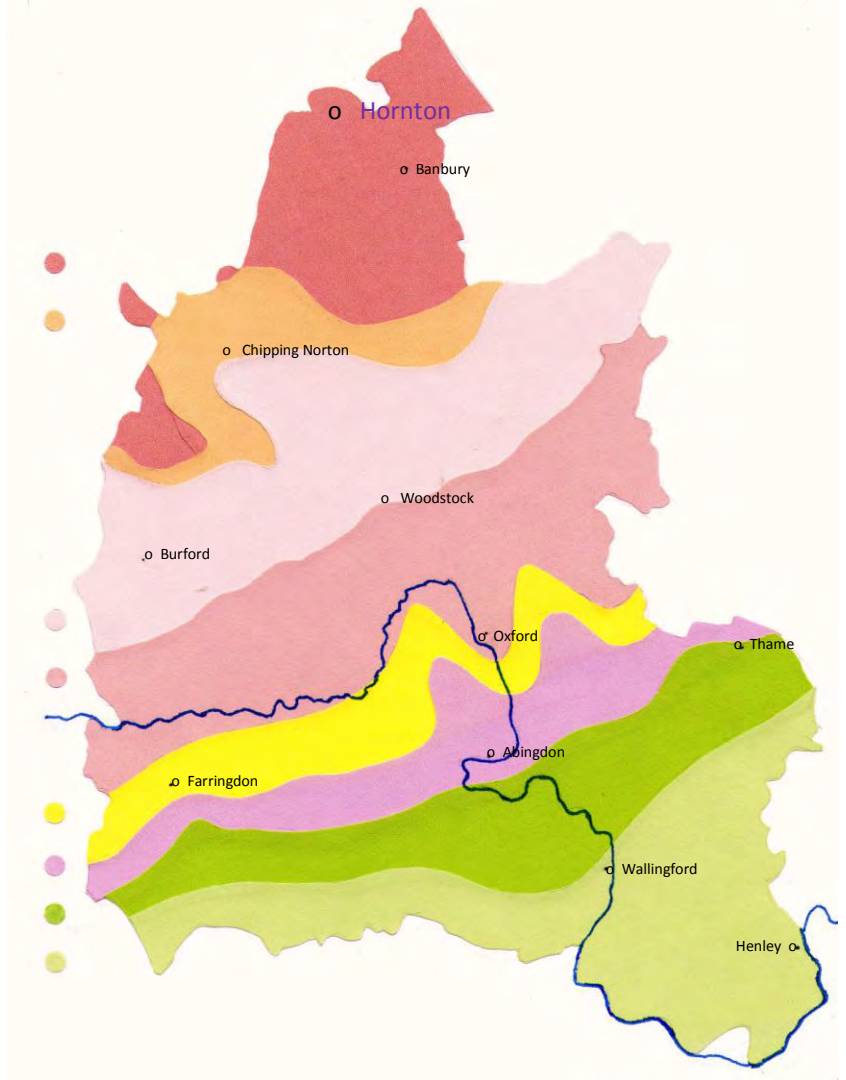




Simplified geological map of Oxfordshire

- Lias : ironstone
- Inferior Oolite : limestone, sandstone
- Greater Oolite : limestone
- Oxford Clay
- RIVER THAMES**
- Corallian : limestone
- Kimmeridge Clay
- Gault Clay & Greensand
- Chalk



Hornton is a small compact village, centred around a village green, with a very distinct character engendered by the materials, style, and detailing of the buildings. Fenestrated gable end walls and ornately carved doorways with lozenge stopped hood-moulds are to be found in many of the cottages; the close proximity to local quarries which produced the iron-rich Horton Stone may account for the consistent use of this limestone. The church of St John the Baptist is well away from the village green suggesting an earlier heart to the village.

The map extract below is from the Ordnance Survey 1st edition series of maps which were surveyed between 1872 and 1881. It shows the settlement at a moment in time prior to the developments of the late 19th and 20th century but with the changes brought about by the Enclosure Acts, the turnpikes, and, in some cases, the canals and railways: it has been annotated by Oxfordshire County Council after it was formed in 1889 to show 'main roads' and Highways Authorities boundaries; the scale is approximately 1:10,560.

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HORNTON

Holloway House from West End



upper The Village Green looking north towards Church Lane (left) and Millers Lane

lower Millers Lane looking down towards the village green



upper Bell Street looking east showing the only terrace of houses in Hornton

middle The Manor House

lower Hornton Church



upper lozenge stopped hood-moulds at Cromwells

lower fenestrated gable end walls at The Mount, Eastgate

upper similar hood-moulds at Home Farm

upper similar gables at Sunnyside on the Green