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Banking in Emsworth

Banking is recorded from 1821 onwards. Before it disappears altogether we thought it might be helpful to record what has been available over almost 200 years.

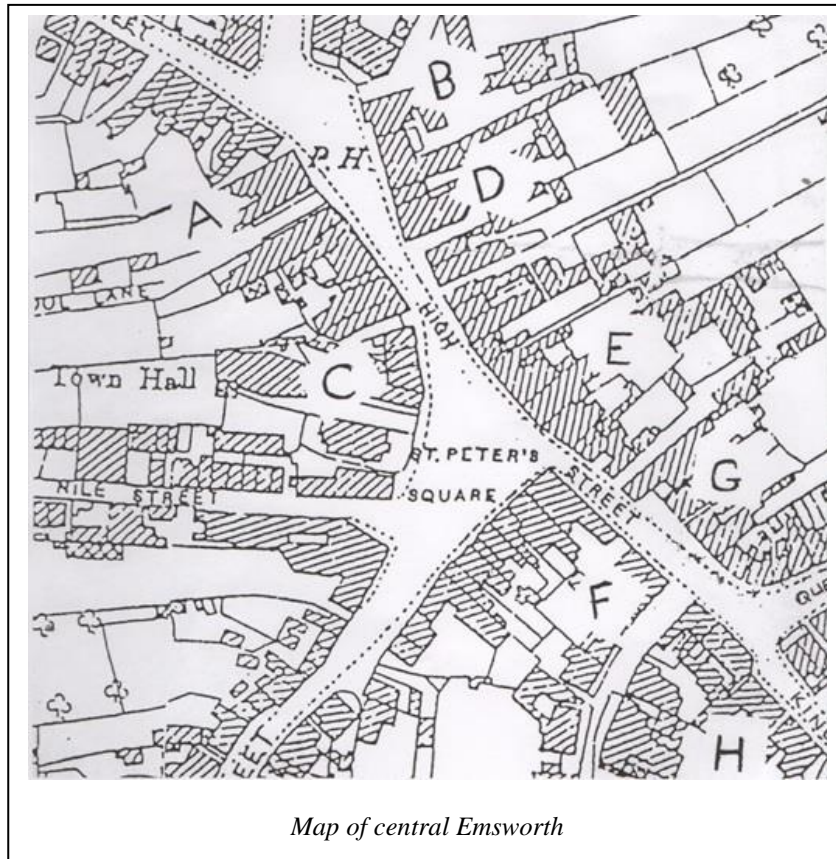
The earliest recorded banking activity is in 1821. Holloway and Westwood were agents for a Petersfield local bank which had been founded in 1808. Holloway and Westwood were local merchants and millers in Emsworth and it was usual at this time to start banks when merchants had credit or cash before they had to pay over, e.g. malt dues.

The most persistent site of banking was 15 High Street.

The Lloyds' site was originally a two-storey building. The third-storey was added in 1923/4.

Below is a list of the eight sites where banking has taken place over the years:

A	3 High Street	1902-23 1923-68	London & County Banking Co. Ltd. Westminster Bank
B	4/6 High Street	1927-1984	Barclays Bank
C	15 High Street	1864 1877 1878-1902 1959 1968 1980	Hampshire Banking Co. Hampshire and North Wilts. Banking Co. Capital and Counties Bank National Provincial Bank Merger with Westminster Bank Nat. West Bank
D	10-12 High Street	1984-2014	Barclays Bank
E	30 High Street	1902-1918 1918-2014	Capital and Counties Bank Lloyds Bank
F	49 High Street	1937-1959	National Provincial Bank
G	40 High Street	1968-1980	Westminster Bank
H	King Street	1821-1841	Holloway and Westwood Agents for Hector, Lacy and Hector, Petersfield.



The above material was obtained from the archives of the various banks plus excerpts from directories. Margaret Rogers also provided an extract from the Hampshire Telegraph of 21st February 1842 which reported that the London & Counties Bank opened a facility at the Black Dog every Friday between 10 a.m. and noon.

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