

2 Kelmscott Road

1883: Chomley, Hussey Malone. Chief Comm. of Police. Cnr. High St & Huntingtower Rd.
 £1600 house (Malvern Rate Books)
 1885-86: Chomley, H M - High St cnr, Huntingtower Rd
 1890-92: Blair, David (Huntingtower Rd)
 1893-95: Chomley, Hussey
 1896-1901: Fischer, Salis
 1902-06: Chomley, Hussey. Comm of Police
 1907-09: Chomley, Mrs E A
 1910-14: Macrae, M R 'Oyama' (Kelmscott Road)
 1922: Robertson, Wm A N
 1925: Campbell, Chas W
 1930-1960: Jona, Dr J Leon
 (Sands & McDougall Directories)

An imposing two storey Italianate mansion which is dominated by the two storey cast iron verandah. This returns from a projecting semi-octagonal bay to a rectangular wing of the same width; there is an unusual continuation of the same design beyond, giving the impression of a terrace house abutting the main building. It has a hipped slate roof, relatively plain stucco walls with tripartite windows separately expressed by the arched architraves. The entry is through an arched opening with console brackets on the side projecting wing. The building was once set on a large allotment from which Kelmscott Road has now been created but retains some large trees from the original garden. The building is relatively intact, although recent alterations in the landscaping have removed much of its nineteenth century character.

2 Kelmscott Road is of regional significance as a substantial Italianate mansion with an unusual combination of return verandahs and a central projecting wing. It is also of significance for its association with Hussey Chomley, the Chief Commissioner of Police. This highlights the social status, power and wealth of this office at this period.



