



House Names in the Mill Hill Park Area

Avenue Crescent

Unknown

Number 4
is now
called Owl
House,
perhaps
after the
owl carved
above
front door.



2, 4 & 6 Avenue Crescent
London W3 8ET

Teviotdale

Another
Scottish name
- a valley in
the Scottish
borders.

8 Avenue Crescent
London W3 8ET



Penton Lodge

The manor house of the village of Penton Mewey in Hampshire is called Penton Lodge, set in 70 acres. The name can be seen in pillar.

10 Avenue Crescent
London W3 8ET



Blenheim Villa

Blenheim Palace in Oxfordshire - famous home of Dukes of Marlborough. Name on pillar.



12 Avenue Crescent London W3 8ET

Sandringham Villa

The name is on the pillar. Sandringham is a famous royal residence in Norfolk. This house may have previously been called Fairfield House? Lots of Fairfields - another 'evocative' name with pleasant connotations within the name itself.



14 Avenue Crescent
London W3 8EW



Hatfield House

Home from 1882 to 1894 of William Willett junior, builder and originator of Daylight Saving. It now boasts the first Commemorative Plaque put up in our neighbourhood. The more famous Hatfield House in Hertfordshire is the grand home of the Cecil family.



16 Avenue Crescent London W3 8EP

Unknown

Names not known, if they had them.



18 & 20 Avenue Crescent London W3 8EP

Rossmore

Lord Rossmore of Co. Monaghan in Ireland was largely responsible for developing the breed of dog, the Red or Irish Setter.

23 Avenue Crescent London W3 8ET



Balmain

A place in Scotland
(Kincardineshire) - the
Ramsay family were
baronets of Balmain.



21 Avenue Crescent London W3 8ET

Malvern

Malvern and Malvern Hills
in Worcestershire -
another famous beauty
spot.



19 Avenue Crescent London W3 8ET

Granville

Lord Granville was Gladstone's
Foreign Secretary.

17 Avenue Crescent London W3 8ET



Riversdale

Possibly a reference to Barons Riversdale, Anglo-Irish aristocrats with their seat at Lisnegar in Ireland.

13 (left) Avenue
Crescent London W3 8ET



Westholm

Perhaps this alludes to a place in County Durham.

15 (right) Avenue Crescent
London W3 8ET

Mill Hill House/Hanmer House

As we have seen, this is the remaining part, about half, of the original early 19th century big house. Originally known as Mill Hill House, but after the demolition of half of it, it was refronted with a new porch about 1879. Willett was starting to develop the park which surrounded it, and its name was changed, perhaps by Willett, to Hanmer House. Hanmer was the name of a poet and Liberal MP, Sir John Hanmer, who in 1872 was created Baron Hanmer - he died in 1881. If you look very closely at the pillar as you go by, you can still see the name Hanmer House, even though it has been painted over. A commemorative plaque to Richard White who created the Mill Hill Park estate is on this house.

11 Avenue Crescent London W3 8ET



Ellerton

Could be after Ellerton
Priory in Swaledale,
Yorkshire, or Ellerton
Hall in Shropshire.



9 Avenue Crescent
London W3 8TZ

Unknown

Built in the 20th century
after numbering
introduced.

1 to 7a Avenue Crescent
London W3 8TZ

