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Handsworth and Woodhouse, and is in Sheffield union, county court district and petty sessional division, Handsworth polling district of South-West Yorkshire, York diocese and archdeaconry and Rotherham rural deanery.

Handsworth village occupies a commanding eminence on the Worksop road, 44 miles E.SE, of Sheffield, and 2 miles W. from Woodhouse great part of Duke of £589 a year, in the station on the Midland Railway. The parish comprises 8628 neres, and had 2862 inhabitants in 1841; 3264 in 1851 3951 in 1861; and 5783 in 1871. It is one of the Duke of Norfolk's manors of Hallamshire, but a soil belongs to other proprietors. THE CHURCH (St. Mary the Virgin), since its erection in the 12th century, the undergone considerable alterations, having been rebuilt and thoroughly repaired in 1832, the tower and spir erected in 1825, and the chancel restored in 1870. The vestry beneath the tower has been re-opened, and the Duke Norfolk's Chapel, which serves for an organ chamber, has been also restored, at a total cost of about £800, of benefice is a rectory annexed to Gleadless curacy, and is valued patronage of the Norfolk and incumbency of the Rev. James Mowat, M.A. The SCHOOL is endowed with about £20 per annum, f built in 1875, at a cost of £1500. Mr. John Wallis, who died in 1854, left, a legacy to provide blankets yearly for the new school, which cost 500. Mr. John Wallis, nd girls in 1874. There is a WESLEYAN CHAPEL in the village, poor. Handsworth is lighted with gas from Sheffield. Adjacent to the village are the extensive and well-known NURSERY GROUNDS of Messrs. Fisher, Holmes, & Co., covering an area of about 180 acres, and giving employment to 200 men, women, and children. POST OFFICE at Mr. George Allen's. Letters are

