

Market House

Records for this building on the Platt date back to 1771. It is said that the ground floor was once a meat market, hence the name of the house.



In 1803, *Market House* was owned by John Cock who also owned the *Golden Lion*. In 1810 Richard Caesar Cock was the landlord and he was succeeded by his wife.

The property remained in the Cock family until 1837 when Francis Richards became the owner. The Guy family then purchased the building in 1843 and it remained with them until 1884 when they sold the building in three separate 'lots' ...

The ground floor - described as the *Golden Lion* stables and two pig styes - was sold, along with the *Golden Lion*, to WJB Coombs and he ran a brewery there. His business was acquired by *WJ Hicks & Company* in 1922 and in 1934 the company was renamed *St Austell Brewery*.