

DIGBETH COACH STATION TIMELINE

c1549		ref	Askerick's Mill built by William Askerick I
1553		map	Colmore's and Elsmery's[?] Tan Yards marked on site
early 1600s		ref	Town Mill held by the Taylor family.
1643		ref	Prince Rupert's men destroys the mill (which is now held by a Robert Porter)
late 1600s		ref	The mill has been re-built and is now known as Townsend's Mill
1720		ref	James Farmer, ironmonger, is recorded as paying rent for Town Mill
1728	March	ref	Charles ('the mill') Lloyd leases Town Mill from RR The Lord Bishop of Bangor
1741	April	ref	Charles Lloyd dies at the mill (Sampson Lloyd continues to manage the business for Charles' widow)
c1780s		ref	The Lloyds move out of milling and ironmongery and into banking
1808		ref	Town Mill still a slitting mill now run by Gibson and Shore
1839		ref	The mill disappears from records
1854	?	ref	Avery's Mill Lane Works opens
1888		map	The site is labelled 'Weighing Apparatus Manufactory'
1890		map	The site is labelled 'Weighing Apparatus Manufactory'
1895	11 th October	map	The site is labelled 'W. &T. Avery, Weighing Apparatus Fac.'
1896	27 th June	ref	Explosive device sent to Mill Lane Works
1896-99		ref	Production is moved from Digbeth to Soho Works
1899	October	ref	Mill Lane Works destroyed by fire
1912		map	The site is unlabelled
1925	July	ref	Site acquired by Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Company Limited
1929	3 rd January	ref	Depot opened by Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Company Limited
1937		map	Site marked as an 'Omnibus Depot'
1944	22 nd January	ref	A Wellington bomber crashes near the site (Bradford Street)
1958	20 th June	ref	Site expanded and 'Spencer House' built
1997	26 th April	ref	National Express take control of coach station
2007	12 th November	ref	Digbeth Coach Station closes (a temporary site is opened on Oxford Street)
2009	Summer		The new station due to open