

OPJS House - Allen



Name: Ralph Allen

Dates: 1693 -1764

Information:

Born in Cornwall. As a teenager Ralph Allen worked in the Post Office and he became Post Master of Bath in 1712.

He bought the stone quarries at Combe Down. These provided the Bath stone for the building of Bath.

He paid for the Mineral hospital to be built in 1738. He built Prior Park in 1742,
"To see all Bath, and for all Bath to see"

In 1742 he was elected Mayor of Bath and he served as Bath's Member of Parliament from 1757 – 1764.