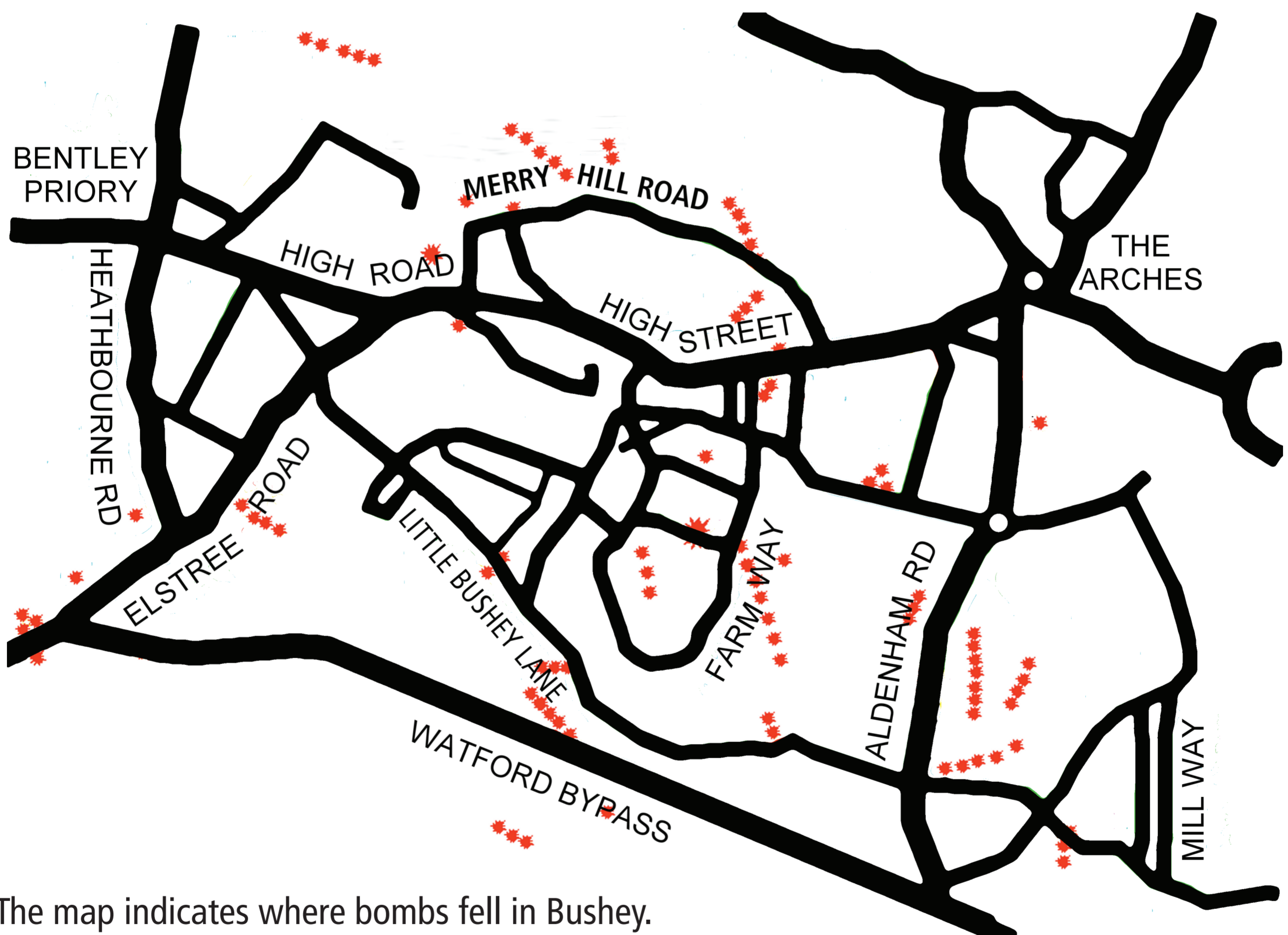


The Blitz

The German word blitzkrieg means “lightening war”. It is used to describe a method of offensive warfare designed to strike a swift blow on an enemy using mobile infantry forces, supported by armoured tanks and aircraft.

The British shortened it to “the blitz” and used it to describe the period from Sept 1940 to May 1941 when the Germans launched night time bombing raids against London and other cities.

Albert and Eila were lucky. They were able to use the furnace room underneath the billiard room as their air raid shelter rather than an Anderson shelter in the garden, a Morrison table style shelter indoors, public shelters or, as many did, simply hide under the stairs.



The map indicates where bombs fell in Bushey.

