

CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HISTORICAL HOLDER REGISTER

Manor:

Wivenhoe

Location:

Essex (with its Members)

Recorded historical holders:

8

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Public record URL:https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_manor=wivenhoe

Colour key: green - direct blood, blue - collateral, purple - marriage-linked blood, amber - in-law, grey - unclassified. Colours describe the saved relationship classification, not documentary certainty.

SUCCESSION AT A GLANCE

Earliest recorded holder to present. Relationship descriptions are reproduced from saved published paths; categories are not evidence ratings.

1. Roger Townshend

Transfer: sold_to

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

2. Robert Gernon, Domesday landholder, lord of Stansted Mountfitchet | 1086

Transfer: held at the time of the Domesday Survey

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

3. John de Vere, 12th Earl of Oxford, 13th Earl of Oxford, English nobleman and Lancastrian commander, 15th Earl of Oxford, English nobleman and Yorkist/Lancastrian participant in the Wars of the Roses | - 1461

Transfer: succeeded to or became possessed of the manor through the Sutton, Walton and Howard families

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

4. Richard, Duke of Gloucester, King of England, 1483–1485 | 1461

Transfer: granted by Edward IV after confiscation of the Oxford estates

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

5. John de Vere, 13th Earl of Oxford, English nobleman and Lancastrian commander, 12th Earl of Oxford, 15th Earl of Oxford, English nobleman and Yorkist/Lancastrian participant in the Wars of the Roses | 1485

Transfer: restored to the inheritance by Henry VII after the Battle of Bosworth

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

6. Nicholas Corsellis, Merchant of London | mid-17th century - late 19th century

Transfer: purchased from Sir Horatio Townshend

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

7. Ernest S. Beard | late 19th century - 1899

Transfer: purchased from the Corsellis family

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

8. George Frederick Beaumont | 1899

Transfer: purchased from Ernest S. Beard

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

DETAILED CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HOLDER 1

Dates not recorded

Roger Townshend

Transfer:

sold_to

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

Source role: historical_holder_or_transferee. The Estate remained with the Oxfords for four generations before it was sold to Roger Townshend who distinguished himself at sea and was knighted for valour after the Armada.

Source citation:

Lot #2 of 'Beaumont Collection' Auction - Nov 1954

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=roger-townshend

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 2

1086

Robert Gernon, Domesday landholder, lord of Stansted Mountfitchet

Holder position:

holder

Transfer:

held at the time of the Domesday Survey

Holding arrangement:

sole

To / transferee:

Robert Gernon

Assets / rights concerned:

manor_and_title

Instrument type:

Domesday holding

Manor and title passed together:

1

Wivenhoe

Evidence status:

provisional

Narrative / explanation:

The manor of Wivenhoe belonged to Robert Gernon at the time of the Domesday Survey.

Source citation:

Lot #2 of 'Beaumont Collection' Auction - Nov 1954

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=robert-gernon

Person dates:

fl. 1086

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 3

- 1461

John de Vere, 12th Earl of Oxford, 13th Earl of Oxford, English nobleman and Lancastrian commander, 15th Earl of Oxford, English nobleman and Yorkist/Lancastrian participant in the Wars of the Roses

Holder position:

holder

Transfer:

succeeded to or became possessed of the manor through the Sutton, Walton and Howard families

Holding arrangement:

sole

To / transferee:

John de Vere, 12th Earl of Oxford

Assets / rights concerned:

manor_and_title

Instrument type:

Descent or succession

Manor and title passed together:

1

Evidence status:

provisional

Narrative / explanation:

The record states that the manor passed through the Sutton, Walton and Howard families to John de Vere, 12th Earl of Oxford. His estates were confiscated by the Crown after his execution in 1461.

Source citation:

Lot #2 of 'Beaumont Collection' Auction - Nov 1954

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-de-vere-13th-earl-of-oxford

Person dates:

1442–1513

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 4

1461

Richard, Duke of Gloucester, King of England, 1483–1485

Holder position:

holder

Transfer:

granted by Edward IV after confiscation of the Oxford estates

Previous holder:

John de Vere, 12th Earl of Oxford

Holding arrangement:

sole

From / transferor:

John de Vere, 12th Earl of Oxford

To / transferee:

Richard, Duke of Gloucester

Assets / rights concerned:

manor_and_title

Instrument type:

Royal grant

Manor and title passed together:

1

Evidence status:

provisional

Narrative / explanation:

Following the confiscation of John de Vere's estates, Edward IV gave them to his brother Richard, Duke of Gloucester.

Source citation:

Lot #2 of 'Beaumont Collection' Auction - Nov 1954

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-de-vere-13th-earl-of-oxford

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=richard-iii-of-england

Person dates:

1452–1485

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 5

1485

John de Vere, 13th Earl of Oxford, English nobleman and Lancastrian commander, 12th Earl of Oxford, 15th Earl of Oxford, English nobleman and Yorkist/Lancastrian participant in the Wars of the Roses

Holder position:

holder

Transfer:

restored to the inheritance by Henry VII after the Battle of Bosworth

Previous holder:

Richard, Duke of Gloucester

Holding arrangement:

sole

From / transferor:

Richard, Duke of Gloucester

To / transferee:

John de Vere, 13th Earl of Oxford

Assets / rights concerned:

manor_and_title

Instrument type:

Royal restoration

Manor and title passed together:

1

Evidence status:

provisional

Narrative / explanation:

Henry VII restored the second son of the beheaded Earl of Oxford to his inheritance after 1485. This individual is conventionally identified as John de Vere, 13th Earl of Oxford.

Source citation:

Lot #2 of 'Beaumont Collection' Auction - Nov 1954

Previous holder profile:https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=richard-iii-of-england**Historical person profile:**https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-de-vere-13th-earl-of-oxford**Person dates:**

1442–1513

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 6

mid-17th century - late 19th century

Nicholas Corsellis, Merchant of London**Holder position:**

holder

Transfer:

purchased from Sir Horatio Townshend

Previous holder:

Sir Horatio Townshend

Holding arrangement:

sole

From / transferor:

Sir Horatio Townshend

To / transferee:

Nicholas Corsellis

Assets / rights concerned:

manor_property

Instrument type:

Sale

Manor and title passed together:

0

Evidence status:

provisional

Narrative / explanation:

Sir Horatio Townshend sold the estate to Nicholas Corsellis, a merchant of London. The Corsellis family retained it until the end of the nineteenth century.

Source citation:

Lot #2 of 'Beaumont Collection' Auction - Nov 1954

Previous holder profile:https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=horatio-townshend-1st-viscount-townshend**Historical person profile:**https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=nicholas-corsellis**Person dates:**

fl. mid-17th century

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 7**late 19th century - 1899****Ernest S. Beard****Holder position:**

holder

Transfer:

purchased from the Corsellis family

Previous holder:

Nicholas Corsellis and family

Holding arrangement:

sole

From / transferor:

Nicholas Corsellis and family

To / transferee:

Ernest S. Beard

Assets / rights concerned:

manor_property

Instrument type:

Sale

Manor and title passed together:

0

Evidence status:

provisional

Narrative / explanation:

Ernest S. Beard acquired the estate from the Corsellis family and sold it in 1899.

Source citation:

Lot #2 of 'Beaumont Collection' Auction - Nov 1954

Historical person profile:https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=ernest-s-beard**Person dates:**

fl. 1899

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 8**1899****George Frederick Beaumont**

Wivenhoe

Holder position:

holder

Transfer:

purchased from Ernest S. Beard

Previous holder:

Ernest S. Beard

Holding arrangement:

sole

From / transferor:

Ernest S. Beard

To / transferee:

George Frederick Beaumont

Assets / rights concerned:

manor_property

Instrument type:

Sale

Manor and title passed together:

0

Evidence status:

provisional

Narrative / explanation:

Ernest S. Beard sold the estate in 1899 to George Frederick Beaumont, whose first recorded general court baron was held on 23 November 1899.

Source citation:

Lot #2 of 'Beaumont Collection' Auction - Nov 1954

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=ernest-s-beard

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.