

CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HISTORICAL HOLDER REGISTER

Manor:

ABBAS HALL MANOR

Location:

Great Cornard, Suffolk

Recorded historical holders:

20

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SUCCESSION AT A GLANCE

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

1. Serlo de Cornerthe | c. 12th century - before about 1304

Transfer: Earliest reported holder in the Cornard family sequence; the source does not preserve the immediate conveyance to the next holder.

Holding: de Cornerthe family

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

2. Thomas de Grey, Knight, lord of Abbas Hall before 1316 | about 1304 - before 1316

Transfer: Acquired through marriage to Alice de Cornard, daughter and heir of Sir Richard de Cornard, according to the published de Grey study; he was lord before 1316.

Holding: de Grey family / Co-holders: Roger de Grey

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

3. Abbess and Convent of West Malling, Benedictine nunnery of the Blessed Virgin at West Malling, Kent | 1316 - c. 1545

Transfer: Held by purchase from Thomas de Grey in 1316; the later termination corresponds broadly with the Dissolution, but the precise surrender date for this manor is not established here.

Holding: West Malling nunnery

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

4. Roger de Grey, Lord or owner recorded for Great Cornard in 1362 | 1362 - unknown

Transfer: Recorded as owner in a 1362 rental of Great Cornard; the source does not establish whether this was a reversion, a retained interest, a temporary holding, or a reference to a different portion of the estate.

Holding: de Grey family / Co-holders: Thomas de Grey

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

5. Thomas Danyell, Owner or lord of Abbas Hall Manor by 1539/40 | 1539/40 - before 1612

Transfer: Recorded as owning the manor after the Dissolution; the means and date of acquisition are uncertain.

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

6. William Whitmore and John Verdon, Grantees of Abbas Hall Manor in 1612 | 1612 - unknown

Transfer: Received a grant of the manor in 1612; the source does not identify the grantor or establish the subsequent legal disposition.

Holding: Joint

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

7. John Brand, Lord of Abbas Hall Manor in 1624 | 1624 - after 1624

Transfer: Documented as lord in 1624; the exact date and instrument by which he obtained the manor are not stated.

Holding: Brand family

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

8. Eldred family, Lords of Abbas Hall Manor | shortly after 1624 - before 1687

Transfer: The manor passed from John Brand to the Eldred family at an uncertain date; no conveyance instrument is identified.

Holding: Eldred family / Co-holders: John Eldred junior, Mary Eldred, Anne Eldred

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

9. John Eldred junior, Lord of Abbas Hall Manor, styled junior in the court rolls | after 1694 - before 1733

Transfer: Succeeded another John Eldred as lord; the precise legal transfer is not stated.

Holding: Eldred family / Co-holders: Eldred family, Mary Eldred, Anne Eldred

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

10. Mary Eldred, Widow of the last Eldred lord, holder of Abbas Hall Manor courts in 1733–1737 | 1733 - 1737

Transfer: Held courts as the widow of the last Eldred lord; this evidence demonstrates exercise of manorial lordship or court authority but does not by itself establish the nature of her beneficial title.

Holding: Other / Eldred family / Co-holders: Eldred family, John Eldred junior, Anne Eldred

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

11. Anne Eldred, Recorded holder of a court of Abbas Hall Manor in 1738 | 1738 - 1738

Transfer: Held one recorded court before the manor was evidently sold to John Wall junior.

Holding: Other / Eldred family / Co-holders: Eldred family, John Eldred junior, Mary Eldred

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

12. John Wall junior, Lord of Abbas Hall Manor by 1739 | 1739 - before 1751

Transfer: The manor was evidently sold to him after the Eldred family's last recorded court in November 1738.

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

13. John Wall and Anne Wall, Joint holders of Abbas Hall Manor courts in 1751–1755 | 1751 - before 1761

Transfer: John Wall and Anne his wife jointly held the courts; the source does not state whether Anne held a beneficial share, dower, or joint legal title.

Holding: Joint / Wall family / Co-holders: Anne Wall

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

14. Anne Wall, Widow and holder of Abbas Hall Manor courts, 1761–1770 | before 1761 - 1770

Transfer: Continued to hold the courts as John Wall's widow after his death; the source then records the manor as passing to James Sparrow and associated co-holders in 1770.

Holding: Other / Wall family / Co-holders: John Wall and Anne Wall

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

15. James Sparrow, Margaret Sparrow, Rev. John Harrison, Ann Harrison, John Goodeal, Elizabeth Goodeal and Bridget Bernard, Joint holders of Abbas Hall Manor from 1770 | 1770 - 1773

Transfer: The manor passed from Anne Wall to this group, which held the first court in April 1770; the source does not identify the conveyance instrument or the shares of the several parties.

Holding: Joint / Sparrow, Harrison, Goodeal and Bernard interests

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

16. James Sparrow, Lord or principal holder of Abbas Hall Manor | 1773 - 1777

Transfer: The later court entries were held by James Sparrow and the Reverend John Harrison; after James Sparrow's death in 1777 the manor ultimately vested in his third son, according to the source's cautious succession account.

Holding: Sparrow family / Co-holders: James Goodeve Sparrow, Henry Weare Sparrow, Basil Sparrow

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

17. James Goodeve Sparrow, Lord of Abbas Hall Manor | after 1793 - 2 October 1838

Transfer: The manor seems to have vested in him after the deaths of his elder brothers, the Reverend John Sparrow in 1786 and Thomas Bernard Sparrow in 1793; the source does not cite the vesting instrument.

Holding: Sparrow family / Co-holders: James Sparrow, Henry Weare Sparrow, Basil Sparrow

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

18. Henry Weare Sparrow, Holder of Abbas Hall Manor, son and heir of James Goodeve Sparrow | 2 October 1838 - unknown

Transfer: Inherited or otherwise received the manor as the son and heir of James Goodeve Sparrow; the source does not give his date of death or a separate conveyance.

Holding: Sparrow family / Co-holders: James Sparrow, James Goodeve Sparrow, Basil Sparrow

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

19. Basil Sparrow, Holder of Abbas Hall Manor | unknown - 1880

Transfer: Received the manor from his brother Henry Weare Sparrow; the exact date and legal instrument are not stated.

Holding: Sparrow family / Co-holders: James Sparrow, James Goodeve Sparrow, Henry Weare Sparrow

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

20. Reverend Rev. Basil James Harrold Sparrow-Beridge, Lord of Abbas Hall Manor by 1896, of Gosfield Place, Halstead, Essex | 1880 - at least 1896

Transfer: Inherited or otherwise received the manor on the death of his father Basil Sparrow in 1880; by 1896 the manor had vested in him as lord.

Holding: Sparrow-Beridge family

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

DETAILED CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HOLDER 1

c. 12th century - before about 1304

Serlo de Cornerthe

Transfer:

Earliest reported holder in the Cornard family sequence; the source does not preserve the immediate conveyance to the next holder.

Previous holder:

Not securely identified

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

de Cornerthe family

Narrative / explanation:

The Great Cornard manorial summary records that Serlo de Cornerthe owned Cornard Magna in approximately the twelfth century. The precise date and legal form of acquisition are not stated.

Source citation:

Suffolk County Council, Great Cornard parish summary, Manorial section: Cornard Magna/Abbas Hall; W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 86.

Source URL:

https://heritage.suffolk.gov.uk/media/pdfs/great_cornard.pdf

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=serlo-de-cornerthe-3864

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 2

about 1304 - before 1316

Thomas de Grey, Knight, lord of Abbas Hall before 1316

Transfer:

Acquired through marriage to Alice de Cornard, daughter and heir of Sir Richard de Cornard, according to the published de Grey study; he was lord before 1316.

Previous holder:

Cornard family, probably through Alice de Cornard

Holding arrangement:

sole

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Shared holding:

de Grey family

Narrative / explanation:

The marriage-based acquisition is supported by the de Grey study, which identifies Thomas de Grey as lord of Abbas Hall before 1316 and connects his acquisition with Alice de Cornard. The exact date is approximate and the source does not provide a complete settlement or conveyance deed.

Source citation:

G. Crabbe, 'The de Greys of Little Cornard', Proceedings of the Suffolk Institute of Archaeology and History, vol. 6, part 1, 1888, pp. 17–18.

Source URL:

https://suffolkinstitute.pdfsrv.co.uk/customers/Suffolk%20Institute/2014/01/10/Volume%20VI%20Part%201%20%281888%29_The%20de%20Greys%20of%20Little%20Conard%20G%20Crabbe_13%20to%2039.pdf

Other parties:

Alice de Cornard

Co-holders:

Roger de Grey

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-de-grey-3865

Person dates:

6 July 1804 - 31 December 1870

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 3

1316 - c. 1545

Abbess and Convent of West Malling, Benedictine nunnery of the Blessed Virgin at West Malling, Kent

Transfer:

Held by purchase from Thomas de Grey in 1316; the later termination corresponds broadly with the Dissolution, but the precise surrender date for this manor is not established here.

Previous holder:

Thomas de Grey

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

West Malling nunnery

Narrative / explanation:

A published account states expressly that in 1316 the Abbess of Malling held Abbas Hall Manor by purchase from Thomas de Grey. Historic England's tree-ring report identifies Abbas Hall as the house of the steward of the Great Cornard manor during its ownership by the nunnery of West Malling from approximately 1107 to the Dissolution, while other local material places the relevant grant or ownership in the early twelfth century. A 1362 rental nevertheless names Roger de Grey as owner of Great Cornard, so the documentary position is conflicting and may reflect divided rights, a temporary de Grey interest, or a distinction in the estate described by the rental. No assumption is made here

about the precise legal effect of that conflict.

Source citation:

G. Crabbe, 'The de Greys of Little Cornard', Proceedings of the Suffolk Institute of Archaeology and History, vol. 6, part 1, 1888, p. 18; Historic England Research Report 4947, Tree-ring analysis of timbers from Abbas Hall, Great Cornard.

Source URL:

https://suffolkinstitute.pdfsvr.co.uk/customers/Suffolk%20Institute/2014/01/10/Volume%20VI%20Part%201%20%281888%29_The%20de%20Greys%20of%20Little%20Conard%20G%20Crabbe_13%20to%2039.pdf

Other parties:

Abbess of West Malling, Convent of the Blessed Virgin, West Malling

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-de-grey-3865

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=abbess-and-convent-of-west-malling-3866

Person dates:

Medieval institution; dissolved during the English Reformation

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 4

1362 - unknown

Roger de Grey, Lord or owner recorded for Great Cornard in 1362

Transfer:

Recorded as owner in a 1362 rental of Great Cornard; the source does not establish whether this was a reversion, a retained interest, a temporary holding, or a reference to a different portion of the estate.

Previous holder:

Abbess and Convent of West Malling, according to the 1316 account; relationship between the records is unresolved

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

de Grey family

Narrative / explanation:

The 1362 rental headed Cornard Magna describes an account of Roger de Grey's manor and names Roger as owner. This directly links Roger de Grey to Great Cornard but conflicts with the separate statement that the Abbess of Malling held Abbas Hall by purchase in 1316. The entry is retained as a documented conflicting holding rather than used to construct an unproven conveyance.

Source citation:

G. Crabbe, 'The de Greys of Little Cornard', Proceedings of the Suffolk Institute of Archaeology and History, vol. 6, part 1, 1888, p. 17, quoting the 1362 rental preserved at Merton, Norfolk.

Source URL:

https://suffolkinstitute.pdfsvr.co.uk/customers/Suffolk%20Institute/2014/01/10/Volume%20VI%20Part%201%20%281888%29_The%20de%20Greys%20of%20Little%20Conard%20G%20Crabbe_13%20to%2039.pdf

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Co-holders:

Thomas de Grey

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=roger-de-grey-3867

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 5

1539/40 - before 1612

Thomas Danyell, Owner or lord of Abbas Hall Manor by 1539/40

Transfer:

Recorded as owning the manor after the Dissolution; the means and date of acquisition are uncertain.

Previous holder:

Abbess and Convent of West Malling

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

The Great Cornard manorial summary records Thomas Danyell as owner in 1539/40. A published manorial account prints the surname as Dangell and expressly states that it is uncertain how he acquired the manor. The entry therefore records the documented appearance of Thomas Danyell without asserting a conveyance from West Malling.

Source citation:

Suffolk County Council, Great Cornard parish summary, Manorial section; W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 86.

Source URL:

https://heritage.suffolk.gov.uk/media/pdfs/great_cornard.pdf

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=abbess-and-convent-of-west-malling-3866

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-danyell-3868

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 6

1612 - unknown

William Whitmore and John Verdon, Grantees of Abbas Hall Manor in 1612

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Transfer:

Received a grant of the manor in 1612; the source does not identify the grantor or establish the subsequent legal disposition.

Previous holder:

Thomas Danyell, according to the sequence of recorded owners, but the intervening title is uncertain

Holding arrangement:

joint

Narrative / explanation:

A published account states that William Whitmore and John Verdon had a grant of the manor in 1612. Because the grantor and the relationship to Thomas Danyell are not given, this is recorded as a documented grant rather than as a fully reconstructed conveyance.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 86, as reproduced in the Abbas Hall Manor title summary.

Source URL:

<https://feudaltitles.com/titles-index-a-b>

Other parties:

William Whitmore, John Verdon

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-whitmore-and-john-verdon-3869

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 7

1624 - after 1624

John Brand, Lord of Abbas Hall Manor in 1624

Transfer:

Documented as lord in 1624; the exact date and instrument by which he obtained the manor are not stated.

Previous holder:

William Whitmore and John Verdon, whose 1612 grant is separately recorded

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Brand family

Narrative / explanation:

John Brand is identified as lord of Abbas Hall Manor in 1624. The source describes the earlier 1612 grant to Whitmore and Verdon as vague and does not establish whether Brand acquired the manor directly from them or through another transaction.

Source citation:

Suffolk County Council, Great Cornard parish summary, Manorial section; W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 86.

Source URL:

https://heritage.suffolk.gov.uk/media/pdfs/great_cornard.pdf

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-brand-3870

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 8

shortly after 1624 - before 1687

Eldred family, Lords of Abbas Hall Manor

Transfer:

The manor passed from John Brand to the Eldred family at an uncertain date; no conveyance instrument is identified.

Previous holder:

John Brand

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Eldred family

Narrative / explanation:

The published title account states that the manor shortly afterwards passed to the Eldred family and remained in that family for more than a century. Court-roll evidence later identifies individual Eldred lords, but the first Eldred holder and the exact transfer from John Brand are not established.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 86, and the associated account of Abbas Hall Manor court books.

Source URL:

<https://feudaltitles.com/titles-index-a-b>

Co-holders:

John Eldred junior, Mary Eldred, Anne Eldred

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-brand-3870

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=eldred-family-3871

Person dates:

Seventeenth and eighteenth centuries in this holding

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 9**after 1694 - before 1733****John Eldred junior, Lord of Abbas Hall Manor, styled junior in the court rolls****Transfer:**

Succeeded another John Eldred as lord; the precise legal transfer is not stated.

Previous holder:

Another John Eldred

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Eldred family

Narrative / explanation:

The court-roll summary states that another John Eldred succeeded as lord and was styled John Eldred junior. He held his first recorded court on 28 June 1703 and subsequent courts through 1732. This entry is based on manorial court evidence and does not imply that the succession occurred by inheritance rather than another transfer.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 88, court-roll summary for Abbas Hall Manor.

Source URL:

<https://tempusfugit.me.uk/images/manorsofsuffolkn01copiuoft.pdf>

Co-holders:

Eldred family, Mary Eldred, Anne Eldred

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-eldred-junior-3872

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 10**1733 - 1737****Mary Eldred, Widow of the last Eldred lord, holder of Abbas Hall Manor courts in 1733–1737****Transfer:**

Held courts as the widow of the last Eldred lord; this evidence demonstrates exercise of manorial lordship or court authority but does not by itself establish the nature of her beneficial title.

Previous holder:

John Eldred, her deceased husband according to the court-roll account

Holding arrangement:

other

Shared holding:

Eldred family

Narrative / explanation:

Mary Eldred, described as the last lord's widow, held courts in 1733, 1735, 1736 and 1737. She is included because the source expressly identifies her as acting for the manor, while the precise legal basis of her holding is not given.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 88, court-roll summary for Abbas Hall Manor.

Source URL:

<https://tempusfugit.me.uk/images/manorsofsuffolkn01copiuoft.pdf>

Co-holders:

Eldred family, John Eldred junior, Anne Eldred

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=mary-eldred-3873

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 11**1738 - 1738****Anne Eldred, Recorded holder of a court of Abbas Hall Manor in 1738****Transfer:**

Held one recorded court before the manor was evidently sold to John Wall junior.

Previous holder:

Mary Eldred or the Eldred family

Holding arrangement:

other

Shared holding:

Eldred family

Narrative / explanation:

Anne Eldred, described as a spinster, held a court on 15 November 1738. The source then says the manor was evidently sold to John Wall junior. Because the legal status of Anne's appearance is not explained, this is recorded as a brief documented exercise of manorial authority rather than a definite beneficial conveyance.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 88, court-roll summary for Abbas Hall Manor.

Source URL:

<https://tempusfugit.me.uk/images/manorsofsuffolkn01copiuoft.pdf>

Co-holders:

Eldred family, John Eldred junior, Mary Eldred

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=anne-eldred-3874

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 12**1739 - before 1751****John Wall junior, Lord of Abbas Hall Manor by 1739****Transfer:**

The manor was evidently sold to him after the Eldred family's last recorded court in November 1738.

Previous holder:

Eldred family

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

John Wall junior held his first recorded court on 3 October 1739 and further courts through 1750. The source uses the cautious term evidently sold, so the transaction is treated as probable rather than fully documented by an identified deed.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 88, court-roll summary for Abbas Hall Manor.

Source URL:

<https://tempusfugit.me.uk/images/manorsofsuffolkn01copiuoft.pdf>

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=eldred-family-3871

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-wall-junior-3875

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 13**1751 - before 1761****John Wall and Anne Wall, Joint holders of Abbas Hall Manor courts in 1751–1755****Transfer:**

John Wall and Anne his wife jointly held the courts; the source does not state whether Anne held a beneficial share, dower, or joint legal title.

Previous holder:

John Wall junior

Holding arrangement:

joint

Shared holding:

Wall family

Narrative / explanation:

Courts from November 1751 through August 1755 were held by John Wall and Anne his wife. This is direct evidence of joint exercise of manorial authority, but the precise ownership shares are not stated.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 88, court-roll summary for Abbas Hall Manor.

Source URL:

<https://tempusfugit.me.uk/images/manorsofsuffolkn01copiuoft.pdf>

Other parties:

John Wall, Anne Wall

Co-holders:

Anne Wall

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-wall-junior-3875

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-wall-and-anne-wall-3876

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 14

before 1761 - 1770

Anne Wall, Widow and holder of Abbas Hall Manor courts, 1761–1770

Transfer:

Continued to hold the courts as John Wall's widow after his death; the source then records the manor as passing to James Sparrow and associated co-holders in 1770.

Previous holder:

John Wall

Holding arrangement:

other

Shared holding:

Wall family

Narrative / explanation:

Anne Wall held the courts from July 1761 through January 1770 as John Wall's widow. The source establishes her continuing manorial role but does not specify whether she held the manor beneficially, by dower, or as representative of the estate.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 88, court-roll summary for Abbas Hall Manor.

Source URL:

<https://tempusfugit.me.uk/images/manorsofsuffolkn01copiuoft.pdf>

Co-holders:

John Wall and Anne Wall

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=anne-wall-3877

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 15

1770 - 1773

James Sparrow, Margaret Sparrow, Rev. John Harrison, Ann Harrison, John Goodeal, Elizabeth Goodeal and Bridget Bernard, Joint holders of Abbas Hall Manor from 1770

Transfer:

The manor passed from Anne Wall to this group, which held the first court in April 1770; the source does not identify the conveyance instrument or the shares of the several parties.

Previous holder:

Anne Wall

Holding arrangement:

joint

Shared holding:

Sparrow, Harrison, Goodeal and Bernard interests

Narrative / explanation:

The recorded 1770 holders included James Sparrow and Margaret his wife, the Reverend John Harrison and Ann his wife, John Goodeal and Elizabeth his wife, and Bridget Bernard. The parties may have held through separate undivided interests or a settlement, but the source does not give the shares. Later courts were held by James Sparrow and the Reverend John Harrison.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 88, court-roll summary for Abbas Hall Manor.

Source URL:

<https://tempusfugit.me.uk/images/manorsofsuffolkn01copiuoft.pdf>

Other parties:

James Sparrow, Margaret Sparrow, Rev. John Harrison, Ann Harrison, John Goodeal, Elizabeth Goodeal, Bridget Bernard

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=anne-wall-3877

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=james-sparrow-and-associated-co-holders-3878

Person dates:

James Sparrow died 1777

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 16**1773 - 1777****James Sparrow, Lord or principal holder of Abbas Hall Manor****Transfer:**

The later court entries were held by James Sparrow and the Reverend John Harrison; after James Sparrow's death in 1777 the manor ultimately vested in his third son, according to the source's cautious succession account.

Previous holder:

Joint group including James Sparrow and the Reverend John Harrison

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Sparrow family

Narrative / explanation:

James Sparrow is the principal recorded holder in the later 1770s. He died on 29 October 1777. The source does not provide a separate deed converting the earlier group holding into sole ownership, so the entry is based on the court-roll sequence and the later succession narrative.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, *The Manors of Suffolk*, vol. 1, p. 88, court-roll summary for Abbas Hall Manor.

Source URL:

<https://tempusfugit.me.uk/images/manorsofsuffolk01copiuoft.pdf>

Co-holders:

James Goodeve Sparrow, Henry Weare Sparrow, Basil Sparrow

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=james-sparrow-3879

Person dates:

Died 29 October 1777

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 17**after 1793 - 2 October 1838****James Goodeve Sparrow, Lord of Abbas Hall Manor****Transfer:**

The manor seems to have vested in him after the deaths of his elder brothers, the Reverend John Sparrow in 1786 and Thomas Bernard Sparrow in 1793; the source does not cite the vesting instrument.

Previous holder:

James Sparrow's estate and surviving Sparrow family interests

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Sparrow family

Narrative / explanation:

The source states that after James Sparrow's death, his eldest son died in 1786 and his second son in 1793, after which the manor seems to have vested in the third son, James Goodeve Sparrow. The wording is cautious and the exact date of vesting is not supplied.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 88, court-roll and succession summary for Abbas Hall Manor.

Source URL:

<https://tempusfugit.me.uk/images/manorsofsuffolkn01copiuoft.pdf>

Co-holders:

James Sparrow, Henry Weare Sparrow, Basil Sparrow

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=james-goodeve-sparrow-3880

Person dates:

1770–2 October 1838

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 18

2 October 1838 - unknown

Henry Weare Sparrow, Holder of Abbas Hall Manor, son and heir of James Goodeve Sparrow

Transfer:

Inherited or otherwise received the manor as the son and heir of James Goodeve Sparrow; the source does not give his date of death or a separate conveyance.

Previous holder:

James Goodeve Sparrow

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Sparrow family

Narrative / explanation:

On the death of James Goodeve Sparrow on 2 October 1838, the source states that the manor passed to his son and heir Henry Weare Sparrow. The end date of Henry's holding is not provided, but the source next states that it passed to Henry's brother Basil Sparrow.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 88, succession summary for Abbas Hall Manor.

Source URL:

<https://tempusfugit.me.uk/images/manorsofsuffolkn01copiuoft.pdf>

Co-holders:

James Sparrow, James Goodeve Sparrow, Basil Sparrow

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=james-goodeve-sparrow-3880

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=henry-weare-sparrow-3881

Person dates:

1819–1894

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 19

unknown - 1880

Basil Sparrow, Holder of Abbas Hall Manor

Transfer:

Received the manor from his brother Henry Weare Sparrow; the exact date and legal instrument are not stated.

Previous holder:

Henry Weare Sparrow

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Sparrow family

Narrative / explanation:

The manor account states that after Henry Weare Sparrow's tenure it passed to his brother Basil Sparrow, who held it until his death in 1880. The source does not specify whether the transfer occurred by inheritance, settlement, or another instrument.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 88, succession summary for Abbas Hall Manor.

Source URL:

<https://tempusfugit.me.uk/images/manorsofsuffolkn01copiuoft.pdf>

Co-holders:

James Sparrow, James Goodeve Sparrow, Henry Weare Sparrow

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=henry-weare-sparrow-3881

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=basil-sparrow-3882

Person dates:

Died 1880

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 20

1880 - at least 1896

**Reverend Rev. Basil James Harrold Sparrow-Beridge, Lord of Abbas Hall Manor
by 1896, of Gosfield Place, Halstead, Essex**

Transfer:

Inherited or otherwise received the manor on the death of his father Basil Sparrow in 1880; by 1896 the manor had vested in him as lord.

Previous holder:

Basil Sparrow

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Sparrow-Beridge family

Narrative / explanation:

The manor passed to Basil Sparrow's son and heir, the Reverend Basil James Harrold Sparrow-Beridge, in 1880. A later title account states that by 1896 the manor had vested in him and that he was then lord.

The same account refers to trustees under settlements in his favour, but the identities and dates of those trustees are not sufficient to create separate conveyance entries.

Source citation:

W. A. Copinger, The Manors of Suffolk, vol. 1, p. 88; Abbas Hall Manor title summary citing the 1896 lordship position and later court books.

Source URL:

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Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=basil-sparrow-3882

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=rev-basil-james-harrold-sparrow-beridge-3883

Person dates:

Born 1819; assumed the surname Beridge by royal licence in 1883; later nineteenth-century death date not established here

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.