

CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HISTORICAL HOLDER REGISTER

Manor:

ABINGTON PIGOTTS MANOR

Location:

Abington Pigotts, Cambridgeshire

Recorded historical holders:

8

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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. Pigott family, unnamed early holder or holders | early 15th century - by 1440

Transfer: Acquisition of an estate at Abington near Shingay; the precise conveyance and the identity of the transferring party are not established in the available sources.

Holding: Pigott family / Co-holders: John Pigott, Henry Pigott, Granado Pigott

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

2. John Pigott | by 1440

Transfer: First located evidence of John Pigott in possession of the Abington estate and associated patronage; the transfer from the preceding Pigott holder is not identified.

Holding: Pigott family / Co-holders: Pigott family, unnamed early holder or holders, Henry Pigott, Granado Pigott

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

3. Henry Pigott | mid 16th century - 1588

Transfer: Continuation of the Pigott family's possession; the precise legal transfer to Henry Pigott is unknown.

Holding: Pigott family / Co-holders: Pigott family, unnamed early holder or holders, John Pigott, Granado Pigott

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

4. Granado Pigott, Esquire, of Abington Pigotts, Cambridgeshire. | by 1680 - 1802

Transfer: Continuation or inheritance within the Pigott family; the exact date and legal form of Granado Pigott's acquisition are not established.

Holding: Pigott family / Co-holders: Pigott family, unnamed early holder or holders, John Pigott, Henry

Pigott

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

5. Colonel George Graham, later associated with the Graham-Foster-Pigott family. | 1802 - 1824

Transfer: Succession by marriage to the Pigott estate: George Graham married the niece and heiress of William Foster-Pigott and later succeeded to the Pigott estates. The exact legal date of possession of the manor is uncertain.

Holding: Graham-Foster-Pigott family / Co-holders: George Granado Graham Foster Pigott, William Graham Foster Pigott, Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

6. George Granado Graham Foster Pigott, Esquire, Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society. | 1831 - 1878

Transfer: Continuation of the Graham-Foster-Pigott family succession; no separate conveyance instrument has been located.

Holding: Graham-Foster-Pigott family / Co-holders: George Graham, William Graham Foster Pigott, Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

7. Reverend William Graham Foster Pigott, Master of Arts, lord of the manor of Abington Pigotts. | 1871

Transfer: First located contemporary directory evidence explicitly naming William Graham Foster Pigott as lord of the manor. The preceding transfer is not documented in the source.

Holding: Graham-Foster-Pigott family / Co-holders: George Graham, George Granado Graham Foster Pigott, Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

8. Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott, Esquire, Justice of the Peace, lord of the manor of Abington Pigotts. | 1904

Transfer: First located contemporary directory evidence explicitly naming Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott as lord of the manor. The preceding transfer is not documented in the source.

Holding: Graham-Foster-Pigott family / Co-holders: George Graham, George Granado Graham Foster Pigott, William Graham Foster Pigott

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

DETAILED CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HOLDER 1

early 15th century - by 1440

Pigott family, unnamed early holder or holders

Transfer:

Acquisition of an estate at Abington near Shingay; the precise conveyance and the identity of the transferring party are not established in the available sources.

Previous holder:

Unknown; earlier Abington landholdings were divided among several medieval lords and should not be assumed to be one continuous manor.

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Pigott family

Narrative / explanation:

Magna Britannia states that in the early fifteenth century the Pigotts were possessed of estates at Abington near Shingay, from which the place acquired the name Abington-Pigotts. This is the earliest located source explicitly connecting the Pigott family with the Abington estate, but it does not supply a deed or exact acquisition date and does not prove the complete descent from any particular Domesday holding.

Source citation:

Daniel Lysons and Samuel Lysons, Magna Britannia, volume II, Cambridgeshire and Cheshire, nineteenth-century county account, section on Cambridgeshire families and estates.

Source URL:

https://belnapfamily.org/Magna_Britannia_v2_part1.pdf

Other parties:

Pigott family

Co-holders:

John Pigott, Henry Pigott, Granado Pigott

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=pigott-family-of-abington-pigotts-14653

Person dates:

Documented at Abington near Shingay from the early fifteenth century; later family descent extends into the nineteenth century.

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 2**by 1440****John Pigott****Transfer:**

First located evidence of John Pigott in possession of the Abington estate and associated patronage; the transfer from the preceding Pigott holder is not identified.

Previous holder:

Unnamed earlier Pigott holder or holders

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Pigott family

Narrative / explanation:

A historical account of St Michael's church states that by 1440 the patronage had come to John Pigott and descended with his estate. This links John Pigott to the Abington estate, but the evidence is primarily for the advowson and associated estate rather than a surviving manorial conveyance. It is therefore recorded as a cautious estate-holder entry rather than a fully documented legal transfer of the manor.

Source citation:

Victoria County History, Cambridgeshire, volume VIII, account of Abington Pigotts church and manorial context, reproduced in the historical account of St Michael's Church, Abington Pigotts.

Source URL:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/brokentaco/18319023739>

Other parties:

John Pigott

Co-holders:

Pigott family, unnamed early holder or holders, Henry Pigott, Granado Pigott

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-pigott-14654

Person dates:

Active by 1440; exact dates unknown.

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 3**mid 16th century - 1588****Henry Pigott**

Transfer:

Continuation of the Pigott family's possession; the precise legal transfer to Henry Pigott is unknown.

Previous holder:

Earlier Pigott holder or holders

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Pigott family

Narrative / explanation:

Historic England identifies the surviving Manor Farmhouse as formerly the manor house and states that it was built by Henry Pigott, who died in 1588. This is direct evidence linking Henry Pigott to the manor house and the Abington Pigotts manor estate, although it does not identify the instrument by which he acquired the manor or distinguish inherited from purchased interests.

Source citation:

Historic England, listing entry 1330849, Manor Farmhouse, Church Lane, Abington Pigotts, dated 22 November 1957 and incorporating references to the Royal Commission on Historical Monuments and Victoria County History.

Source URL:

<https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1330849>

Other parties:

Henry Pigott

Co-holders:

Pigott family, unnamed early holder or holders, John Pigott, Granado Pigott

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=henry-pigott-14655

Person dates:

Died 1588.

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 4

by 1680 - 1802

Granado Pigott, Esquire, of Abington Pigotts, Cambridgeshire.

Transfer:

Continuation or inheritance within the Pigott family; the exact date and legal form of Granado Pigott's acquisition are not established.

Previous holder:

Earlier Pigott holder or holders

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Pigott family

Narrative / explanation:

Historic England states that the manor house became a farmhouse after 1680 when Granado Pigott removed to Bassingbourn. This directly places Granado Pigott in possession of the Abington Pigotts manor house and estate by 1680. He died on 18 September 1802. The source does not document the intervening succession from the sixteenth-century Pigotts, so no specific transfer is asserted.

Source citation:

Historic England, listing entry 1330849, Manor Farmhouse, Church Lane, Abington Pigotts; corroborated by the memorial inscription for Granado Pigott at Bath Abbey.

Source URL:

<https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1330849>

Other parties:

Granado Pigott

Co-holders:

Pigott family, unnamed early holder or holders, John Pigott, Henry Pigott

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=granado-pigott-14656

Person dates:

Circa 1731–18 September 1802.

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 5**1802 - 1824****Colonel George Graham, later associated with the Graham-Foster-Pigott family.****Transfer:**

Succession by marriage to the Pigott estate: George Graham married the niece and heiress of William Foster-Pigott and later succeeded to the Pigott estates. The exact legal date of possession of the manor is uncertain.

Previous holder:

William Foster Pigott or his estate and heiress

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Graham-Foster-Pigott family

Narrative / explanation:

A modern scholarly compilation of parliamentary families states that George Graham married in 1794 the niece and heiress of William Foster-Pigott, acquired the Abington Pigotts Hall estate by marriage in 1802, and succeeded to the Pigott estates in 1824. This supports a marriage-based succession to the estate, but the source does not reproduce the manorial settlement or distinguish the precise date of legal possession. It is therefore recorded with medium evidence for the estate succession and an explicit uncertainty regarding the manor conveyance.

Source citation:

Ellis Wasson, Parliamentary Families: The Past and Present Members of the House of Commons and Their

Families, entry for the Pigott and Graham-Foster-Pigott families.

Source URL:

<https://files.core.ac.uk/download/427716265.pdf>

Other parties:

George Graham

Co-holders:

George Granado Graham Foster Pigott, William Graham Foster Pigott, Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=george-graham-14657

Person dates:

Active late eighteenth and early nineteenth century; exact dates not established in the source used.

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 6**1831 - 1878**

George Granado Graham Foster Pigott, Esquire, Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society.

Transfer:

Continuation of the Graham-Foster-Pigott family succession; no separate conveyance instrument has been located.

Previous holder:

Graham family or Foster-Pigott estate

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Graham-Foster-Pigott family

Narrative / explanation:

The historical account of St Michael's Church identifies George Granado Graham-Foster-Pigott as heir to the manor and advowson from 1831, when he acted as curate. He died in 1878. The source establishes his status as heir and his close association with the manor, but does not provide the precise date on which legal possession passed to him.

Source citation:

Historical account of St Michael's Church, Abington Pigotts, drawing on Victoria County History material; corroborated by Royal Astronomical Society biographical records and the church memorial record.

Source URL:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/brokentaco/18319023739>

Other parties:

George Granado Graham Foster Pigott

Co-holders:

George Graham, William Graham Foster Pigott, Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=george-granado-graham-foster-pigott-14658

Person dates:

16 May 1835–14 May 1878.

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 7**1871**

Reverend William Graham Foster Pigott, Master of Arts, lord of the manor of Abington Pigotts.

Transfer:

First located contemporary directory evidence explicitly naming William Graham Foster Pigott as lord of the manor. The preceding transfer is not documented in the source.

Previous holder:

Unknown Graham-Foster-Pigott predecessor

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Graham-Foster-Pigott family

Narrative / explanation:

A nineteenth-century Cambridgeshire directory identifies the Reverend William Graham Foster Pigott as lord of the manor of Abington Pigotts and states that the whole of the parish property, apart from small specified holdings, was vested in the Graham Foster Pigott family. This is direct contemporary evidence for his manorial status in 1871, though it does not establish the date or instrument of succession.

Source citation:

Post Office Directory of Cambridgeshire, 1871, entry for Abington Pigotts, digitised by the University of Leicester Special Collections.

Source URL:

<https://specialcollections.le.ac.uk/digital/api/collection/p16445coll4/id/262074/download>

Other parties:

William Graham Foster Pigott

Co-holders:

George Graham, George Granado Graham Foster Pigott, Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-graham-foster-pigott-14659

Person dates:

Active in the nineteenth century; exact dates not established from the source used.

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 8

1904

Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott, Esquire, Justice of the Peace, lord of the manor of Abington Pigotts.

Transfer:

First located contemporary directory evidence explicitly naming Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott as lord of the manor. The preceding transfer is not documented in the source.

Previous holder:

Unknown Graham-Foster-Pigott predecessor

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Graham-Foster-Pigott family

Narrative / explanation:

Kelly's Directory of Cambridgeshire for 1904 identifies Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott as lord of the manor of Abington Pigotts. This is the latest securely located explicit statement of manorial lordship in the public sources searched. The source does not establish whether he held personally, jointly, or through a settlement, and no later public source confirming a subsequent holder was located.

Source citation:

Kelly's Directory of Cambridgeshire, 1904, entry for Abington Pigotts, reproduced in a parish and genealogy reference transcription.

Source URL:

<https://forebears.io/england/cambridgeshire/abington-pigotts>

Other parties:

Thomas Graham-Foster-Pigott

Co-holders:

George Graham, George Granado Graham Foster Pigott, William Graham Foster Pigott

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-graham-foster-pigott-14660

Person dates:

Active by 1904; death date not established from the sources used.

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.