

CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HISTORICAL HOLDER REGISTER

Manor:

ADGESTONE MANOR

Location:

Brading, Isle of Wight

Recorded historical holders:

15

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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. Three unnamed freemen | Before 1066 - By 1086

Transfer: Earliest recorded holding; no conveyance into their hands is stated.

Holding: Other / Free manor; exact individual shares are not stated. / Domesday predecessor holding

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

2. The king, King of England | 1086

Transfer: By the Domesday Survey the estate was in the king's hands; the mechanism and date of transfer from the pre-Conquest freemen are unknown.

Holding: The Domesday entry describes the estate as being in the king's hands, but the precise legal extent of the holding is not stated. / Crown holding at Domesday

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

3. John de Weston | Late 13th century

Transfer: Held half a fee in Milton and Adgestone of John de Insula; the preceding conveyance and later transfer are not stated in the available source.

Holding: Share / Half a fee in Milton and Adgestone; the division between the two places is not stated. / Weston fee in Milton and Adgestone

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

4. John de Witvil or Wyvill | 1299 - After 1299

Transfer: Held a fortieth of a fee in Adgestone of the honour of Carisbrooke Castle; the later transfer is stated only as occurring afterwards.

Holding: Share / A fortieth of a fee in Adgestone. / Whitefield-related fee / Co-holders: Edward de Whitefield, William de Whitefield

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

5. Edward de Whitefield | After 1299

Transfer: The fortieth of a fee formerly held by John de Witvil or Wyvill passed afterwards to Edward de Whitefield; the date and instrument are unknown.

Holding: Share / A fortieth of a fee in Adgestone. / Whitefield-related fee / Co-holders: John de Witvil or Wyvill, William de Whitefield

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

6. William de Whitefield | After Edward de Whitefield

Transfer: The same Adgestone fee passed from Edward de Whitefield to William de Whitefield; the date and instrument are unknown.

Holding: Share / A fortieth of a fee in Adgestone. / Whitefield-related fee / Co-holders: John de Witvil or Wyvill, Edward de Whitefield

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

7. Anna Witvil or Wyvill | 1384 - 1385

Transfer: Held land in Adgestone in 1384–85; the source does not establish whether this was the same fractional fee or a different parcel, and no conveyance is stated.

Holding: Other / Land in Adgestone; extent and tenure not stated. / Wyvill-related Adgestone land

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

8. John Haket and John Roucle or Rookley | 1431

Transfer: The Weston fee in Milton and Adgestone was held by John Haket and John Roucle or Rookley in 1431; the preceding and subsequent conveyances are not fully documented in the available source.

Holding: Joint / The source identifies the holding as the former Weston-related fee but does not state individual shares. / Milton and Adgestone fee

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

9. Joan Bowerman | After 1431 - 1503

Transfer: The source suggests that some Adgestone land passed with Brook to the Bowermans after 1431; Joan Bowerman later died seized of land in Adgestone held of Alverstone. The precise conveyance is not stated.

Holding: Other / Land in Adgestone; extent and share not stated. / Bowerman-related Adgestone land / Co-holders: Nicholas Bowerman

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

10. Nicholas Bowerman | Before the mid-16th century

Transfer: The source states that Nicholas Bowerman, Joan Bowerman's grandson, died seized of land in Adgestone held of Alverstone; the exact date and conveyance are not stated in the principal source.

Holding: Other / Land in Adgestone; extent and share not stated. / Bowerman-related Adgestone land / Co-holders: Joan Bowerman

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

11. Thomas Fitchett | 8 October 1510 - 8 October 1510

Transfer: Held land in Adgestone as recorded in the rental of Alverstone Manor and did homage at Alverstone; this is a tenancy or dependent holding, not evidence of ownership of Adgestone Manor.

Holding: Other / Land in Adgestone; extent not stated. / Alverstone tenancy in Adgestone

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

12. William Rogers | 1576 - 1576

Transfer: Held land in Adgestone for which he owed suit at John Worsley's court at Bembridge; no conveyance is stated.

Holding: Other / Land in Adgestone; extent and tenure not stated. / Bembridge-court landholding

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

13. E. Horlock | Mid-19th century - Before 1912

Transfer: Owned Adgestone by the middle of the 19th century; the manor was later purchased by the father of Edward Granville Ward. The date and instrument of sale are not stated.

Holding: The source describes E. Horlock as owner of Adgestone, without defining the precise extent of the estate. / Modern manor ownership / Co-holders: Father of Edward Granville Ward, Edward Granville Ward

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

14. Father of Edward Granville Ward | After the mid-19th century - Before 1912

Transfer: Purchased Adgestone from E. Horlock; the purchaser's personal name and the date and instrument of purchase are not stated.

Holding: The source describes the purchase as being of Adgestone, without defining the precise extent of the estate. / Modern manor ownership / Co-holders: E. Horlock, Edward Granville Ward

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

15. Edward Granville Ward | By 1912

Transfer: Identified as the owner after the purchase by his father; the date and legal form of the transfer from the father are not stated.

Holding: The source identifies Edward Granville Ward as owner of Adgestone, without specifying the precise legal extent. / Modern manor ownership / Co-holders: E. Horlock, Father of Edward Granville Ward

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

DETAILED CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HOLDER 1

Before 1066 - By 1086

Three unnamed freemen

Transfer:

Earliest recorded holding; no conveyance into their hands is stated.

Holding arrangement:

other

Share / interest:

Free manor; exact individual shares are not stated.

Shared holding:

Domesday predecessor holding

Narrative / explanation:

The manor was held by three freemen in the time of Edward the Confessor. This is evidence for the estate's existence and free status before the Norman Conquest, but the source does not name the freemen or describe their individual shares.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

Three unnamed freemen

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=three-unnamed-freemen-24829

Person dates:

11th century

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 2

1086

The king, King of England

Transfer:

By the Domesday Survey the estate was in the king's hands; the mechanism and date of transfer from the pre-Conquest freemen are unknown.

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Previous holder:

Three unnamed freemen

Holding arrangement:

sole

Share / interest:

The Domesday entry describes the estate as being in the king's hands, but the precise legal extent of the holding is not stated.

Shared holding:

Crown holding at Domesday

Narrative / explanation:

Adgestone was recorded as being held by the king in 1086. This entry should not be used to identify a particular monarch beyond the Domesday wording or to infer a specific conveyance.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

The king

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=three-unnamed-freemen-24829

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=the-king-24830

Person dates:

1086

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 3

Late 13th century

John de Weston

Transfer:

Held half a fee in Milton and Adgestone of John de Insula; the preceding conveyance and later transfer are not stated in the available source.

Previous holder:

John de Insula

Holding arrangement:

share

Share / interest:

Half a fee in Milton and Adgestone; the division between the two places is not stated.

Shared holding:

Weston fee in Milton and Adgestone

Narrative / explanation:

This was a feudal fee including land in Adgestone, not necessarily the entire manor. John de Weston was tenant of John de Insula, also known as Lisle, and the source later says that this holding followed the same descent as Milton until 1431.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entries for Adgestone and Milton; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

John de Weston, John de Insula

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-de-weston-24831

Person dates:

Flourished late 13th century

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 4

1299 - After 1299

John de Witvil or Wyvill

Transfer:

Held a fortieth of a fee in Adgestone of the honour of Carisbrooke Castle; the later transfer is stated only as occurring afterwards.

Holding arrangement:

share

Share / interest:

A fortieth of a fee in Adgestone.

Shared holding:

Whitefield-related fee

Narrative / explanation:

This was a separate feudal holding in Adgestone, distinct from the half fee held by John de Weston. It was held of the honour of Carisbrooke Castle and should not be treated as evidence that John de Witvil owned the entire manor.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

John de Witvil or Wyvill

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Co-holders:

Edward de Whitefield, William de Whitefield

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-de-witvil-or-wyvill-24832

Person dates:

Recorded in 1299

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 5

After 1299

Edward de Whitefield

Transfer:

The fortieth of a fee formerly held by John de Witvil or Wyvill passed afterwards to Edward de Whitefield; the date and instrument are unknown.

Previous holder:

John de Witvil or Wyvill

Holding arrangement:

share

Share / interest:

A fortieth of a fee in Adgestone.

Shared holding:

Whitefield-related fee

Narrative / explanation:

Edward de Whitefield is recorded as the subsequent holder of the Adgestone fee formerly associated with John de Witvil or Wyvill. The source does not provide a precise date or conveyance instrument.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

Edward de Whitefield

Co-holders:

John de Witvil or Wyvill, William de Whitefield

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-de-witvil-or-wyvill-24832

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=edward-de-whitefield-24833

Person dates:

Flourished after 1299

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 6**After Edward de Whitefield****William de Whitefield****Transfer:**

The same Adgestone fee passed from Edward de Whitefield to William de Whitefield; the date and instrument are unknown.

Previous holder:

Edward de Whitefield

Holding arrangement:

share

Share / interest:

A fortieth of a fee in Adgestone.

Shared holding:

Whitefield-related fee

Narrative / explanation:

William de Whitefield is recorded as the next holder in the Whitefield-related descent. This was a fractional fee rather than the entirety of Adgestone Manor.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

William de Whitefield

Co-holders:

John de Witvil or Wyvill, Edward de Whitefield

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=edward-de-whitefield-24833

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-de-whitefield-24834

Person dates:

Flourished after Edward de Whitefield

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 7**1384 - 1385****Anna Witvil or Wyvill****Transfer:**

Held land in Adgestone in 1384–85; the source does not establish whether this was the same fractional fee or a different parcel, and no conveyance is stated.

Holding arrangement:

other

Share / interest:

Land in Adgestone; extent and tenure not stated.

Shared holding:

Wyvill-related Adgestone land

Narrative / explanation:

Anna Witvil or Wyvill is documented as holding land at Adgestone in 1384–85. This is evidence of landholding in the place, but not conclusive evidence that she held the whole manor.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

Anna Witvil or Wyvill

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=anna-witvil-or-wyvill-24835

Person dates:

Recorded in 1384–85

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 8**1431****John Haket and John Roucle or Rookley****Transfer:**

The Weston fee in Milton and Adgestone was held by John Haket and John Roucle or Rookley in 1431; the preceding and subsequent conveyances are not fully documented in the available source.

Previous holder:

Successors of the Weston holding in Milton and Adgestone

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Holding arrangement:

joint

Share / interest:

The source identifies the holding as the former Weston-related fee but does not state individual shares.

Shared holding:

Milton and Adgestone fee

Narrative / explanation:

The source states that the Weston-related holding followed the same descent as Milton until 1431, when it was held by John Haket and John Roucle or Rookley. This is a joint holding of a fee or portion associated with Adgestone, not proof of sole ownership of the entire manor.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entries for Adgestone and Milton; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

John Haket, John Roucle or Rookley

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-haket-and-john-roucle-or-rookley-24836

Person dates:

Recorded in 1431

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 9

After 1431 - 1503

Joan Bowerman

Transfer:

The source suggests that some Adgestone land passed with Brook to the Bowermans after 1431; Joan Bowerman later died seized of land in Adgestone held of Alverstone. The precise conveyance is not stated.

Previous holder:

John Haket and John Roucle or Rookley

Holding arrangement:

other

Share / interest:

Land in Adgestone; extent and share not stated.

Shared holding:

Bowerman-related Adgestone land

Narrative / explanation:

Joan Bowerman was a recorded holder of land in Adgestone, held of the manor of Alverstone. The wording

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supports a connection with a parcel or portion of the former Adgestone holding, but does not prove that she owned the entire manor.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; corroborated by the calendar-based summary of Joan Bowerman's inquisition post mortem.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

Joan Bowerman

Co-holders:

Nicholas Bowerman

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-haket-and-john-roucle-or-rookley-24836

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=joan-bowerman-24837

Person dates:

Died 1503; inquisition post mortem enrolled 1504

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 10

Before the mid-16th century

Nicholas Bowerman

Transfer:

The source states that Nicholas Bowerman, Joan Bowerman's grandson, died seized of land in Adgestone held of Alverstone; the exact date and conveyance are not stated in the principal source.

Previous holder:

Joan Bowerman or the intervening Bowerman succession

Holding arrangement:

other

Share / interest:

Land in Adgestone; extent and share not stated.

Shared holding:

Bowerman-related Adgestone land

Narrative / explanation:

Nicholas Bowerman held land in Adgestone of the manor of Alverstone. The available evidence does not establish that he held Adgestone Manor as a whole or specify the exact date of succession.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

Nicholas Bowerman

Co-holders:

Joan Bowerman

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=nicholas-bowerman-24838

Person dates:

Flourished in the late 15th or 16th century

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 11

8 October 1510 - 8 October 1510

Thomas Fitchett

Transfer:

Held land in Adgestone as recorded in the rental of Alverstone Manor and did homage at Alverstone; this is a tenancy or dependent holding, not evidence of ownership of Adgestone Manor.

Previous holder:

Manor of Alverstone or its lord

Holding arrangement:

other

Share / interest:

Land in Adgestone; extent not stated.

Shared holding:

Alverstone tenancy in Adgestone

Narrative / explanation:

The Alverstone Manor rental dated 8 October 1510 records Thomas Fitchett holding land in Adgestone and doing homage at Alverstone. This evidence is important for the apparent absorption of part of Adgestone into the Alverstone holding, but Thomas Fitchett should be treated as a tenant or subordinate landholder rather than as lord of Adgestone Manor.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

Thomas Fitchett, Manor of Alverstone

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-fitchett-24839

Person dates:

Recorded 8 October 1510

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 12**1576 - 1576****William Rogers****Transfer:**

Held land in Adgestone for which he owed suit at John Worsley's court at Bembridge; no conveyance is stated.

Holding arrangement:

other

Share / interest:

Land in Adgestone; extent and tenure not stated.

Shared holding:

Bembridge-court landholding

Narrative / explanation:

William Rogers is recorded as holding land in Adgestone in 1576 and owing suit at John Worsley's court at Bembridge. This indicates a landholding subject to manorial jurisdiction, not necessarily ownership of Adgestone Manor.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

William Rogers, John Worsley

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-rogers-24840

Person dates:

Recorded in 1576

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 13**Mid-19th century - Before 1912****E. Horlock****Transfer:**

Owned Adgestone by the middle of the 19th century; the manor was later purchased by the father of Edward Granville Ward. The date and instrument of sale are not stated.

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Holding arrangement:

sole

Share / interest:

The source describes E. Horlock as owner of Adgestone, without defining the precise extent of the estate.

Shared holding:

Modern manor ownership

Narrative / explanation:

The early twentieth-century account states that Adgestone was owned by E. Horlock in the middle of the 19th century. The abbreviated name is retained because the source does not supply a forename.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

E. Horlock

Co-holders:

Father of Edward Granville Ward, Edward Granville Ward

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=e-horlock-24841

Person dates:

Owner in the middle of the 19th century

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 14**After the mid-19th century - Before 1912****Father of Edward Granville Ward****Transfer:**

Purchased Adgestone from E. Horlock; the purchaser's personal name and the date and instrument of purchase are not stated.

Previous holder:

E. Horlock

Holding arrangement:

sole

Share / interest:

The source describes the purchase as being of Adgestone, without defining the precise extent of the estate.

Shared holding:

Modern manor ownership

Narrative / explanation:

The source states that Adgestone was purchased from E. Horlock by the father of the then owner, Edward

Granville Ward. Because the father's name is not supplied, he is recorded descriptively and not assigned an inferred identity.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

Father of Edward Granville Ward

Co-holders:

E. Horlock, Edward Granville Ward

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=e-horlock-24841

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=father-of-edward-granville-ward-24842

Person dates:

19th century

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 15**By 1912**

Edward Granville Ward

Transfer:

Identified as the owner after the purchase by his father; the date and legal form of the transfer from the father are not stated.

Previous holder:

Father of Edward Granville Ward

Holding arrangement:

sole

Share / interest:

The source identifies Edward Granville Ward as owner of Adgestone, without specifying the precise legal extent.

Shared holding:

Modern manor ownership

Narrative / explanation:

Edward Granville Ward was identified as the owner of Adgestone in the early twentieth-century account published in 1912. This is the latest securely sourced historical ownership statement found in the present research. No later owner is entered because the available public evidence reviewed here does not establish a later historical conveyance.

Source citation:

William Page, A History of the County of Hampshire: Volume 5 (Victoria County History, 1912), Isle of Wight manorial history, entry for Adgestone; reproduced in the modern summary of Adgestone Manor.

Source URL:

<https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/hants/vol5>

Other parties:

Edward Granville Ward

Co-holders:

E. Horlock, Father of Edward Granville Ward

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=father-of-edward-granville-ward-24842

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=edward-granville-ward-24843

Person dates:

Owner by 1912

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.