

CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HISTORICAL HOLDER REGISTER

Manor:

ALDINGTON MANOR

Location:

Badsey with Aldington, Worcestershire

Recorded historical holders:

24

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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. Evesham Abbey, Benedictine abbey | 1086 - at the Dissolution, probably 1539

Transfer: Earlier monastic possession; Aldington is recorded in Domesday Book as a berewick of Offenham, and the manor remained associated with Evesham Abbey until the Dissolution.

Holding: Evesham Abbey

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

2. Richard Pygyon, Gentleman, member of the Badsey and Aldington Pygyon family | at the Dissolution, probably 1539 - 1562

Transfer: Granted the Manor of Aldington by the Crown at the Dissolution of Evesham Abbey.

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

3. Sir Robert Throckmorton, Knight | 1562 - before 1598

Transfer: Granted Aldington together with the Manor of Badsey by Queen Elizabeth I in 1562.

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

4. Philip Bigge, Gentleman, second son of Thomas Bigge of Lenchwick | 1598 - 13 July 1615

Transfer: Conveyed by Richard and Margaret Griffin to Philip Bigge in 1598.

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

5. William Courten and John Mounsey, Merchant, knighted 1622 in the case of Sir William Courten | 13 July 1615 - after 13 July 1615

Transfer: Philip Bigge and Hester Bigge jointly conveyed the manor to William Courten and John Mounsey on 13 July 1615, apparently for the use of William Courten.

Holding: Joint / Legal conveyance to both grantees; the source says it was apparently for the use of William Courten.

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

6. William Courten, Esquire, merchant-trader | after 13 July 1615 - April 1643 or later, subject to disputed title

Transfer: Held after the 1615 conveyance; in April 1643 he reportedly sold the manor to Sir Edward Littleton, although the later title was contested.

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

7. Sir Edward Littleton, of Pillerton Hall, Staffordshire | April 1643 - 1 November 1649 or later

Transfer: William Courten reportedly sold or transferred the manor to Sir Edward Littleton in April 1643 as security for Courten's debts.

Holding: Trust / Security interest for William Courten's debts

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

8. George Carew, Gentleman of Gray's Inn, associated with Aldington during the mid seventeenth century | 1 November 1649 - 1657 or later

Transfer: Sir Edward Littleton released or left Aldington to George Carew for a 99-year term in consideration of Carew's payment and discharge of debt obligations.

Holding: Other / 99-year term / Lease or term arising from debt settlement

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

9. John Pettyward and Thomas Birkhead, Pettyward: creditor, Birkhead: citizen and armourer of London | 1651 - before 29 March 1656

Transfer: William Courten made over his interest in the manor to John Pettyward and Thomas Birkhead in connection with Courten's bankruptcy and debts.

Holding: Joint / Interest assigned jointly; after Birkhead's death the source says the whole estate came to Pettyward. / Creditors or assignees in bankruptcy

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

10. William Bagott and Benjamin Lloyd, Gentlemen, parties to the 1656 conveyance | 29 March 1656 - 15 December 1657

Transfer: John Pettyward and the Commissioners dealing with Courten's creditors granted the manor to William Bagott and Benjamin Lloyd for ever by instruments dated 29 March 1656.

Holding: Joint

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

11. Henry Scobell and William Baldwyn, Scobell of Westminster, Baldwyn of the Inner Temple, London | 15 December 1657 - 15 March 1664

Transfer: William Bagott, George Carew and related parties granted the manor to Henry Scobell and William Baldwyn by indenture dated 15 December 1657.

Holding: Joint

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

12. John Whitfeild, Of Maidenhead, Berkshire, and the Middle Temple, London | 15 March 1664 - 6 June 1665

Transfer: Henry Scobell, William Baldwyn and George Carew sold all that manor of Aunton or Aldington to John Whitfeild for £3,500 by indenture dated 15 March 1664.

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

13. William Willoughby and William Cherry, Willoughby of Hunsdon, Hertfordshire, Cherry of Maidenhead, Berkshire | after 15 March 1664 - 6 June 1665

Transfer: John Whitfeild devised the Manor of Aunton alias Aldington to William Willoughby and William Cherry, as devisees and intended sellers, for the payment of a debt to Sir William Powell.

Holding: Trust / Devise to sell and discharge debt

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

14. Thomas Foley, Esquire, Member of Parliament | 6 June 1665 - 1 October 1677

Transfer: Purchased the Manor of Aldington alias Aunton and Aunton Farm by indenture dated 6 June 1665 from William Courten, Samuel Baldwyn, George Carew, William Willoughby and William Cherry.

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

15. Thomas Foley, Esquire, Member of Parliament | 1 October 1677 - 1 February 1701

Transfer: Inherited the Aldington estate on the death of his father, Thomas Foley, in 1677.

Holding: Foley family succession / Co-holders: Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley of the new creation, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley of the new creation

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

16. Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley, Member of Parliament | 1 February 1701 - 22 January 1732/33

Transfer: Inherited Aldington with his father's estates on the death of Thomas Foley in 1701.

Holding: Foley family succession / Co-holders: Thomas Foley, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley of the new creation, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley of the new creation

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

17. Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley | 22 January 1732/33 - 22 January 1766

Transfer: Inherited the Foley estates, including the Manor of Aldington, on the death of his father in 1732/33.

Holding: Foley family succession / Co-holders: Thomas Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley of the new creation, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley of the new creation

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

18. Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley of the new creation, Member of Parliament, 2nd Baron Foley, landowner | 22 January 1766 - November 1777

Transfer: Inherited the estates of his childless second cousin once removed, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley, including Aldington Manor, in 1766.

Holding: Foley family succession / Co-holders: Thomas Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley of the new creation

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

19. Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley of the new creation, Member of Parliament, 3rd Baron Foley, MP for Herefordshire and Droitwich, Postmaster General | November 1777 - 2 July 1793

Transfer: Succeeded to the Foley peerage and appears to have inherited or received the Aldington estate on the death of his father in 1777.

Holding: Foley family succession / Co-holders: Thomas Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley of the new creation

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

20. Thomas Foley, 3rd Baron Foley of the new creation, 4th Baron Foley, Privy Councillor, Lord Lieutenant of Worcestershire | 2 July 1793 - by 1806

Transfer: Succeeded to the Foley estates as a minor on the death of his father in 1793; trustees administered and sold parts of the settled estate.

Holding: Trust / Settled estate under trustees

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

21. George Day, Gentleman, merchant and banker of Evesham, Mayor of Evesham | 1806 - 6 October 1808

Transfer: Acquired the Manor of Aldington from the Foley estate in the early nineteenth century, probably in or around 1806, and sold it to James Ashwin on 6 October 1808 for £12,000.

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

22. James Ashwin, Of Bretforton, owner of Aldington Manor and associated estate | 6 October 1808 - before 1880

Transfer: Purchased the Manor of Aldington from George Day for £12,000 on 6 October 1808, according to the local account.

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

23. Henry Ashwin, probably William Henry Ashwin, Farmer, Justice of the Peace, Deputy Lieutenant of Worcestershire, lord of the manor in the local directories | 1880 - 1892

Transfer: Later Ashwin family holding; the exact conveyance or inheritance from James Ashwin is not established in the consulted sources.

Holding: Ashwin family ownership / Co-holders: James Ashwin

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

24. James Ashwin, Of Bretforton, owner of Aldington Manor and associated estate | 1892 - at least 1912

Transfer: Inherited or otherwise succeeded to Ashwin family holdings after the death of William Henry Ashwin in 1892; the exact manorial conveyance is not established.

Holding: Ashwin family ownership / Co-holders: Henry Ashwin, probably William Henry Ashwin

Relationship to present holder: Not recorded

DETAILED CONVEYANCE & DESCENT

HOLDER 1

1086 - at the Dissolution, probably 1539

Evesham Abbey, Benedictine abbey

Transfer:

Earlier monastic possession; Aldington is recorded in Domesday Book as a berewick of Offenham, and the manor remained associated with Evesham Abbey until the Dissolution.

Previous holder:

Unknown; an alleged grant by Offa in 703 is reported from the Evesham chronicle, but the early charter evidence is not wholly secure.

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Evesham Abbey

Narrative / explanation:

Domesday Book records Aldintone as a berewick or outlying portion of the manor of Offenham. The local historical account states that Aldington was an Evesham Abbey possession until the Dissolution. The reported 703 grant by Offa is retained only as background because the associated charter evidence is described as doubtful.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society, citing Domesday Book and Evesham Abbey material.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=evesham-abbey-27672

Person dates:

Medieval foundation; dissolved in the sixteenth century

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 2

at the Dissolution, probably 1539 - 1562

Richard Pyggon, Gentleman, member of the Badsey and Aldington Pyggon family

Transfer:

Granted the Manor of Aldington by the Crown at the Dissolution of Evesham Abbey.

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Previous holder:

Evesham Abbey

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

The local manor history states directly that at the Dissolution the Manor of Aldington was granted to Richard Pygyon. It also states that it is unclear when his lease or interest terminated; he may have continued to hold from the later grantee, Sir Robert Throckmorton, or may have died before that transition.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=evesham-abbey-27672

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=richard-pygyon-27673

Person dates:

Dates not established in the consulted sources

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 3

1562 - before 1598

Sir Robert Throckmorton, Knight

Transfer:

Granted Aldington together with the Manor of Badsey by Queen Elizabeth I in 1562.

Previous holder:

Richard Pygyon and/or the Crown

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

The 1562 grant expressly included the Manor of Aldington with the Manor of Badsey. The source says that the manor thereafter followed the descent of Badsey until 1598, but it does not provide every intervening holder, so no unrecorded intermediate conveyances are inserted.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=sir-robert-throckmorton-27674

Person dates:

Dates not established in the consulted manor source

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 4

1598 - 13 July 1615

Philip Bigge, Gentleman, second son of Thomas Bigge of Lenchwick

Transfer:

Conveyed by Richard and Margaret Griffin to Philip Bigge in 1598.

Previous holder:

Richard and Margaret Griffin

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

The manor history identifies a 1598 conveyance by Richard and Margaret Griffin to Philip Bigge, second son of Thomas Bigge of Lenchwick. The source does not explain the precise descent from the Throckmortons or identify all holders between 1562 and 1598.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=philip-bigge-27675

Person dates:

Dates not established in the consulted manor source

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 5

13 July 1615 - after 13 July 1615

William Courten and John Mounsey, Merchant, knighted 1622 in the case of Sir William Courten

Transfer:

Philip Bigge and Hester Bigge jointly conveyed the manor to William Courten and John Mounsey on 13 July 1615, apparently for the use of William Courten.

Previous holder:

Philip Bigge and Hester Bigge

Holding arrangement:

joint

Share / interest:

Legal conveyance to both grantees; the source says it was apparently for the use of William Courten.

Narrative / explanation:

This is a documented joint conveyance, but the beneficial arrangement is not fully explained. The source states that William Courten afterwards held the manor. Hester Bigge is recorded as a conveying spouse rather than a continuing holder.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Other parties:

William Courten, John Mounsey

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-courten-27676

Person dates:

1572-1636 for Sir William Courten; a younger William Courten held the later interest

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 6

after 13 July 1615 - April 1643 or later, subject to disputed title

William Courten, Esquire, merchant-trader

Transfer:

Held after the 1615 conveyance; in April 1643 he reportedly sold the manor to Sir Edward Littleton, although the later title was contested.

Previous holder:

William Courten and John Mounsey

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

The local account says William Courten afterwards held the manor. A later Commission found that Courten had made an earlier sale to Sir Edward Littleton in April 1643 before becoming bankrupt, while Courten's son and heir claimed under a former settlement. Because the title was disputed, the 1643 transaction is recorded as a reported conveyance rather than an uncontested descent.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-courten-27676

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-courten-27677

Person dates:

Died 1655 at Florence according to the local account; exact identification with the 1615 grantee requires caution

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 7

April 1643 - 1 November 1649 or later

Sir Edward Littleton, of Pillerton Hall, Staffordshire

Transfer:

William Courten reportedly sold or transferred the manor to Sir Edward Littleton in April 1643 as security for Courten's debts.

Previous holder:

William Courten

Holding arrangement:

trust

Shared holding:

Security interest for William Courten's debts

Narrative / explanation:

The 1 November 1649 indenture states that Sir Edward Littleton had received Aldington and Pirton in 1643 as security for substantial liabilities incurred for William Courten's debts. The arrangement was not necessarily an unencumbered beneficial ownership. Dame Katherine Courten's jointure and Thomas Coppin's interest also affected the title.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Other parties:

Sir Edward Littleton

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-courten-27677

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=sir-edward-littleton-27678

Person dates:

Dates not established in the consulted manor source

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 8**1 November 1649 - 1657 or later****George Carew, Gentleman of Gray's Inn, associated with Aldington during the mid seventeenth century****Transfer:**

Sir Edward Littleton released or left Aldington to George Carew for a 99-year term in consideration of Carew's payment and discharge of debt obligations.

Previous holder:

Sir Edward Littleton

Holding arrangement:

other

Share / interest:

99-year term

Shared holding:

Lease or term arising from debt settlement

Narrative / explanation:

The 1 November 1649 indenture gave George Carew an interest in Aldington for 99 years after Carew paid £2,000 and discharged Littleton from specified obligations. This was a term interest arising from a complex debt settlement, not necessarily an absolute freehold transfer. Carew continued to appear in later conveyances.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Other parties:

George Carew

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=sir-edward-littleton-27678

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=george-carew-27679

Person dates:

Dates not established in the consulted manor source

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 9**1651 - before 29 March 1656****John Pettyward and Thomas Birkhead, Pettyward: creditor, Birkhead: citizen and armourer of London**

Transfer:

William Courten made over his interest in the manor to John Pettyward and Thomas Birkhead in connection with Courten's bankruptcy and debts.

Previous holder:

William Courten

Holding arrangement:

joint

Share / interest:

Interest assigned jointly; after Birkhead's death the source says the whole estate came to Pettyward.

Shared holding:

Creditors or assignees in bankruptcy

Narrative / explanation:

A Commission found Courten bankrupt and indebted by more than £25,000. The account states that Courten made over his interest to Pettyward and Birkhead, but also records that Courten had already sold the manor to Littleton in 1643 and that claims under a former settlement existed. The title of Pettyward and the Commissioners was therefore expressly questionable.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Other parties:

John Pettyward, Thomas Birkhead

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-courten-27677

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-pettyward-and-thomas-birkhead-27680

Person dates:

Dates not established in the consulted manor source

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 10

29 March 1656 - 15 December 1657

William Bagott and Benjamin Lloyd, Gentlemen, parties to the 1656 conveyance

Transfer:

John Pettyward and the Commissioners dealing with Courten's creditors granted the manor to William Bagott and Benjamin Lloyd for ever by instruments dated 29 March 1656.

Previous holder:

John Pettyward and the Commissioners for Courten's creditors

Holding arrangement:

joint

Narrative / explanation:

Pettyward received £2,000 paid to the Commissioners for the use of Courten's creditors, and the same

consideration was stated in a bargain and sale by the Commissioners to Bagott and Lloyd. The transaction was part of a disputed and complicated title, but the source expressly identifies the manor as being granted to Bagott and Lloyd for ever.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Other parties:

William Bagott, Benjamin Lloyd

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-bagott-and-benjamin-lloyd-27681

Person dates:

Dates not established in the consulted manor source

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 11

15 December 1657 - 15 March 1664

Henry Scobell and William Baldwyn, Scobell of Westminster, Baldwyn of the Inner Temple, London

Transfer:

William Bagott, George Carew and related parties granted the manor to Henry Scobell and William Baldwyn by indenture dated 15 December 1657.

Previous holder:

William Bagott and Benjamin Lloyd, with George Carew involved in the instrument

Holding arrangement:

joint

Narrative / explanation:

The 1657 indenture expressly granted the manor to Scobell and Baldwyn. A second instrument on the same day involved Carew and Joane Cole in connection with Carew's forthcoming marriage settlement, indicating that the conveyance formed part of wider settlement arrangements.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Other parties:

Henry Scobell, William Baldwyn

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=henry-scobell-and-william-baldwyn-27682

Person dates:

Dates not established in the consulted manor source

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 12**15 March 1664 - 6 June 1665****John Whitfeild, Of Maidenhead, Berkshire, and the Middle Temple, London****Transfer:**

Henry Scobell, William Baldwyn and George Carew sold all that manor of Aunton or Aldington to John Whitfeild for £3,500 by indenture dated 15 March 1664.

Previous holder:

Henry Scobell and William Baldwyn, with George Carew as a party to the sale

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

The source explicitly identifies the subject of the sale as 'all that manor of Aunton or Aldington'. Whitfeild's will later devised the manor to William Willoughby and William Cherry to be sold for the payment of a debt to Sir William Powell.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-whitfeild-27683

Person dates:

Dates not established in the consulted manor source

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 13**after 15 March 1664 - 6 June 1665****William Willoughby and William Cherry, Willoughby of Hunsdon, Hertfordshire,
Cherry of Maidenhead, Berkshire****Transfer:**

John Whitfeild devised the Manor of Aunton alias Aldington to William Willoughby and William Cherry, as devisees and intended sellers, for the payment of a debt to Sir William Powell.

Previous holder:

John Whitfeild

Holding arrangement:

trust

Shared holding:

Devise to sell and discharge debt

Narrative / explanation:

Whitfeild's will expressly named the Manor of Aunton alias Aldington and directed Willoughby and Cherry, or the survivor, to sell it for the payment of £1,000 to Sir William Powell. This is recorded as a testamentary trust or power of sale rather than an ordinary beneficial succession.

Source citation:

E. A. B. Barnard, 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/village-life/notes-the-manor-aldington>

Other parties:

William Willoughby, William Cherry

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=john-whitfeild-27683

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=william-willoughby-and-william-cherry-27684

Person dates:

Dates not established in the consulted manor source

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 14

6 June 1665 - 1 October 1677

Thomas Foley, Esquire, Member of Parliament

Transfer:

Purchased the Manor of Aldington alias Aunton and Aunton Farm by indenture dated 6 June 1665 from William Courten, Samuel Baldwyn, George Carew, William Willoughby and William Cherry.

Previous holder:

William Courten, Samuel Baldwyn, George Carew, William Willoughby and William Cherry

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

The 1665 deed expressly conveyed the manor and Aunton Farm to Thomas Foley. Foley continued the existing lease of Aunton Farm to William Jarrett. This was the beginning of approximately 140 years of Foley ownership.

Source citation:

Maureen Spinks, 'FOLEY, Thomas (1617-1677) and descendants – Owners of Aldington Manor', Badsey Society; citing the 6 June 1665 indenture.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/people/foley/thomas>

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-foley-27686

Person dates:

c.1641-1701

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 15**1 October 1677 - 1 February 1701****Thomas Foley, Esquire, Member of Parliament****Transfer:**

Inherited the Aldington estate on the death of his father, Thomas Foley, in 1677.

Previous holder:

Thomas Foley (1617-1677)

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Foley family succession

Narrative / explanation:

The Foley family history states that the second Thomas Foley inherited the principal share of his father's landed property, including Aldington, on his father's death. The succession is described as inheritance rather than a separately dated conveyance.

Source citation:

Maureen Spinks, 'FOLEY, Thomas (1617-1677) and descendants – Owners of Aldington Manor', Badsey Society.

Source URL:<https://www.badseysociety.uk/people/foley/thomas>**Co-holders:**

Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley of the new creation, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley of the new creation

Historical person profile:https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-foley-27686**Person dates:**

c.1641-1701

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 16**1 February 1701 - 22 January 1732/33****Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley, Member of Parliament**

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Transfer:

Inherited Aldington with his father's estates on the death of Thomas Foley in 1701.

Previous holder:

Thomas Foley (c.1641-1701)

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Foley family succession

Narrative / explanation:

The Foley family history identifies this Thomas Foley as inheriting Aldington among his father's estates in 1701. He was raised to the peerage as Baron Foley in 1712, but the barony is not treated as an associated title of Aldington Manor.

Source citation:

Maureen Spinks, 'FOLEY, Thomas (1617-1677) and descendants – Owners of Aldington Manor', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/people/foley/thomas>

Co-holders:

Thomas Foley, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley of the new creation, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley of the new creation

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-foley-27687

Person dates:

1673-1732/33

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 17

22 January 1732/33 - 22 January 1766

Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley

Transfer:

Inherited the Foley estates, including the Manor of Aldington, on the death of his father in 1732/33.

Previous holder:

Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Foley family succession

Narrative / explanation:

The Foley family history states that this Thomas Foley inherited the Manor of Aldington with the estates of his father. He died a bachelor in 1766 and the barony became extinct; his estates passed by will to his second cousin once removed, Thomas Foley of Stoke Edith.

Source citation:

Maureen Spinks, 'FOLEY, Thomas (1617-1677) and descendants – Owners of Aldington Manor', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/people/foley/thomas>

Co-holders:

Thomas Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley of the new creation, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley of the new creation

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-foley-27687

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-foley-27688

Person dates:

1703-1766

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 18

22 January 1766 - November 1777

Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley of the new creation, Member of Parliament, 2nd Baron Foley, landowner

Transfer:

Inherited the estates of his childless second cousin once removed, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley, including Aldington Manor, in 1766.

Previous holder:

Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Foley family succession

Narrative / explanation:

Thomas Foley of Stoke Edith inherited the estates of the childless 2nd Baron Foley in 1766. The barony was revived in his favour in 1776. The source states that he died in November 1777, after which the estates passed to his son.

Source citation:

Maureen Spinks, 'FOLEY, Thomas (1617-1677) and descendants – Owners of Aldington Manor', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/people/foley/thomas>

Co-holders:

Thomas Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley of the new creation

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-foley-27688

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-foley-27689

Person dates:

1716-1777

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 19

November 1777 - 2 July 1793

Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley of the new creation, Member of Parliament, 3rd Baron Foley, MP for Herefordshire and Droitwich, Postmaster General

Transfer:

Succeeded to the Foley peerage and appears to have inherited or received the Aldington estate on the death of his father in 1777.

Previous holder:

Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley of the new creation

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Foley family succession

Narrative / explanation:

The source states that this Thomas Foley succeeded his father in 1777 and that his share of the estates appears to have included Aldington. It also cautions that, because of debt arrangements, he was not immediately entitled to the full estates and initially received only an annuity while the balance of income was applied to debts. He died in 1793, and trustees continued to manage the settled estate.

Source citation:

Maureen Spinks, 'FOLEY, Thomas (1617-1677) and descendants – Owners of Aldington Manor', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/people/foley/thomas>

Co-holders:

Thomas Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley, Thomas Foley, 1st Baron Foley of the new creation

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-foley-27689

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-foley-27690

Person dates:

1742-1793

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 20**2 July 1793 - by 1806****Thomas Foley, 3rd Baron Foley of the new creation, 4th Baron Foley, Privy Councillor, Lord Lieutenant of Worcestershire****Transfer:**

Succeeded to the Foley estates as a minor on the death of his father in 1793; trustees administered and sold parts of the settled estate.

Previous holder:

Thomas Foley, 2nd Baron Foley of the new creation

Holding arrangement:

trust

Shared holding:

Settled estate under trustees

Narrative / explanation:

The Foley family history states that Thomas Foley, aged twelve in 1793, succeeded to the estates and title, while the financial condition of the estate required sales and other dealings by trustees under private Acts of Parliament. Aldington was sold in the early nineteenth century; the local account places the sale of the Foley Aldington property in 1806, while another account suggests that a relevant 1803 indenture may indicate an earlier transaction. No exact conveyance date from Foley trustees to George Day is asserted here.

Source citation:

Maureen Spinks, 'FOLEY, Thomas (1617-1677) and descendants – Owners of Aldington Manor', Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/people/foley/thomas>

Other parties:

Trustees of the settled Foley estate

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-foley-27690

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=thomas-foley-27691

Person dates:

1780-1833

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 21**1806 - 6 October 1808****George Day, Gentleman, merchant and banker of Evesham, Mayor of Evesham**

Transfer:

Acquired the Manor of Aldington from the Foley estate in the early nineteenth century, probably in or around 1806, and sold it to James Ashwin on 6 October 1808 for £12,000.

Previous holder:

Thomas Foley and/or trustees of the settled Foley estate

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

The 1807 Aldington Inclosure Act identifies George Day as lord of the manor or reputed manor. The local biographical account states that he acquired the manor in 1806, leased it to William Preedy, and sold it two days after the 1808 enclosure award came into effect. William Preedy is recorded as a tenant or lessee, not as a manor holder.

Source citation:

George Day, 'DAY, George (1764-1830) – The largest landowner in Aldington at the time of Enclosure', Badsey Society; see also the transcription of the 1807 Aldington Inclosure Act.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/people/day/george>

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=george-day-27692

Person dates:

1764-1830

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 22

6 October 1808 - before 1880

James Ashwin, Of Bretforton, owner of Aldington Manor and associated estate

Transfer:

Purchased the Manor of Aldington from George Day for £12,000 on 6 October 1808, according to the local account.

Previous holder:

George Day

Holding arrangement:

sole

Narrative / explanation:

The sale from George Day to James Ashwin is directly stated in the local account and is also reflected in later descriptions of the Ashwin family ownership. The precise date of any later transfer within the Ashwin family is not established here; by 1880 the manor was being identified with Henry Ashwin as lord of the manor.

Source citation:

George Day, 'DAY, George (1764-1830) – The largest landowner in Aldington at the time of Enclosure', Badsey Society; corroborated by 'Notes on the Manor of Aldington'.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/people/day/george>

Previous holder profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=george-day-27692

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=james-ashwin-27695

Person dates:

1860-1941

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 23

1880 - 1892

Henry Ashwin, probably William Henry Ashwin, Farmer, Justice of the Peace, Deputy Lieutenant of Worcestershire, lord of the manor in the local directories

Transfer:

Later Ashwin family holding; the exact conveyance or inheritance from James Ashwin is not established in the consulted sources.

Previous holder:

James Ashwin or another member of the Ashwin family

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Ashwin family ownership

Narrative / explanation:

Kelly's Directory for 1880 identifies Henry Ashwin as lord of the manor of Aldington. Kelly's Directory for 1888 identifies William Henry Ashwin as a principal landowner and describes Henry Ashwin as lord of the manor. The sources do not make the precise identity relationship or date of transfer sufficiently explicit for a more exact conveyance to be asserted, so this entry preserves the uncertainty.

Source citation:

Kelly's Directory of Worcestershire, 1880 and 1888, transcribed by the Badsey Society.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/trade-and-household-directories/kellys-directory/kellys-directory-worcestershire-1880>

Co-holders:

James Ashwin

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=henry-ashwin-probably-william-henry-ashwin-27694

Person dates:

William Henry Ashwin: 1835-1892

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.

HOLDER 24**1892 - at least 1912****James Ashwin, Of Bretforton, owner of Aldington Manor and associated estate****Transfer:**

Inherited or otherwise succeeded to Ashwin family holdings after the death of William Henry Ashwin in 1892; the exact manorial conveyance is not established.

Previous holder:

William Henry Ashwin

Holding arrangement:

sole

Shared holding:

Ashwin family ownership

Narrative / explanation:

The Badsey Society's account of Ashwin ownership states that William Henry Ashwin died in 1892 and that his eldest son James Ashwin inherited the land. A 1910-1912 valuation record identifies James Ashwin as owner of Aldington Manor and associated Aldington property. This establishes continued Ashwin ownership into the early twentieth century, although the precise legal descent of the manorial lordship is not separately documented in the consulted sources.

Source citation:

The Badsey Society, 'Land at Blackminster' and 'Valuation Survey - Aldington'; corroborated by Kelly's Directory of Worcestershire, 1896.

Source URL:

<https://www.badseysociety.uk/valuation-survey/aldington>

Co-holders:

Henry Ashwin, probably William Henry Ashwin

Historical person profile:

https://manorialregistry.com/?mhr_person=james-ashwin-27695

Person dates:

1860-1941

Relationship to present holder

No published relationship path recorded.