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William Barlow

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Dates: Died 1568; Bishop of St Davids, 1536-1548

BIOGRAPHY

William Barlow was a sixteenth-century English reforming bishop. As Bishop of St Davids, he petitioned for the removal of Abergwili College to Brecon and established the later practice of using the former college buildings at Abergwili as the principal episcopal residence.

NOTES / SOURCES

His role is evidence for the episcopal use and administration of Abergwili, not for a personal

freehold separate from the bishopric.

Research sources:

- Inland Revenue Valuation Office, Survey and Report on the Episcopal Manor of Abergwili in Ystrad

Towy in the County of Carmarthen, 1944, as reproduced in the Dyfed Historic Environment Record;

corroborated by K. Murphy, The Archaeology of the Medieval Towns of Southwest Wales: Abergwili,

Dyfed Archaeological Trust report 2021-11, February 2021, pp. 1-2.

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