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Thomas Bradford

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Dates: fl. late 18th century; later associated with Ashdown Park

BIOGRAPHY

Thomas Bradford was a Doncaster merchant and property speculator who acquired the extensive Adwick

estate around 1789 or 1790, sold the mansion and part of the property in 1791, and developed Woodlands on retained land.

NOTES / SOURCES

His acquisition and subsequent subdivision complicate any attempt to identify a single nineteenth-century lord of the whole manor.

Research sources:

- Doncaster Civic Trust, Trust Topics newsletter, reporting the Bradford acquisition and 1791 sale of the mansion and part of the estate; Carcroft and District Local History Society, Adwick history.

<https://www.doncastercivictrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/DCT-Newsletter-72-01-07-21.pdf>

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