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Carlton

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Location: Bedfordshire
Associated places: Bedfordshire

LORDSHIP / TITLE ASSOCIATIONS
- Lordship of Carlton | Associated | 13th century | Provisional

ABOUT THE MANOR

THIS LORDSHIP is not given the status of a Manor in the Domesday Survey. It is situated in the parish of Carlton and bounded on the west by the River Ouse; across the river lies Buckinghamshire.

In 1086 there were several landowners in the parish, among them Odo, Bishop of Bayeux, a half

brother of William I. His estate consisted of 1 hide and 1 virgate and was held by Herbert son of

Ivo who in turn had 2 sokemen holding of him, a most unusual case of an undertenant also having

undertenants. On the Bishop's death in 1097 he held by gift of the Crown no less than 439 lordships throughout the country.

The next reference we have to this Lordship is in the 13th century when it appears to have come into

the possession of the Pavenham family. The Testa de Nevill records that John de Pavenham held land

in Carlton by one fifth of a Knight's fee, while an inquisition taken in 1269 described his land

there as a messuage, 4 1/2 virgates of land, 6 acres of meadow and 12 acres of wood which is almost

identical in size to the land held by Herbert son of Ivo.

The Pavenham family continued to possess this lordship with that of Pavenham until 1348. It then

passed through the hands of several families, including the Lucys. Alice Pavenham married as her

first husband Thomas Lucy and their son Sir William de Lucy, of Charlecote, Warwickshire, KB,

entered into possession of the Lordship in 1471. On his death in 1492 he was succeeded by his son

Edmund Lucy a soldier of very high repute who commanded a division of the royal army at the Battle

of Stoke in 1487. Edmund's great-grandson Sir Thomas Lucy, MP for Warwick 1584, was the last

member of this family to hold the Lordship. In 1564 it was sold to Agnes Adams and in 1594 to

William Goddard whose descendants continued to hold it until 1704. Eventually it was acquired by the

Alston family, who held until the early part of this century. The present owner is Lord Luke.

Catalogue source Lot #2 of Manorial Holdings Auction - December 1989

Associated manorial documents / archive references Court Rolls 1-9 Henry VIII PRO Court Roll 1670 Beds

RO Part of Court File 1600 Rental 1670 Map showing ownership of reiver meadows and Draft Court Roll

2-4-1597 Northants RO (Court Baron of Lewis Mordaunt, Kt)

OWNERSHIP / HOLDER ACCOUNT

Historical holder / succession information Lord Luke current_holder_statement •

catalogue_stated_current_holder Source wording: The present owner is Lord Luke.

CONVEYANCE / DESCENT

- | Lord Luke | current_holder_statement | | Lot #2 of Manorial Holdings Auction - December 1989

- 13th century - 1269 | John de Pavenham | feudal holding and inquisition | Manor And Title |

- 13th century - 1348 | Pavenham family | descent | Manor And Title |

- 1471 - 1492 | Sir William Lucy of Charlecote | descent | Manor And Title |

- 1492 - 16th century | Edmund Lucy | descent | Manor And Title |

- 1564 - 1594 | Agnes Adams | sale | Manor And Title |

- 1594 - 1704 | William Goddard | sale | Manor And Title |

- 1594 - 1704 | Goddard descendants | descent | Manor And Title |

- 1704 - early 20th century | Alston family | acquisition and descent | Manor And Title |

RECORDED RIGHTS

RESEARCH GAPS / WANTED EVIDENCE

- [OPEN] Historical or alternative names were not positively identified. | Wanted:

Source-backed evidence resolving this point

- [OPEN] The surviving or extinguished status of the distinct lordship title is not

established. | Wanted: Source-backed evidence resolving this point

- [OPEN] No current title holder is inferred beyond the existing registry statement. |

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