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Fountains Abbey

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BIOGRAPHY

The Cistercian abbey near Ripon held extensive agricultural estates and granges in the Masham district, including Aldburgh.

NOTES / SOURCES

Institutional holder; this entry records the monastic estate connection rather than a personal lordship.

Research sources:

- British Library Archives and Manuscripts Catalogue, Egerton MS 3053 A-B, Chartulary of Fountains

Abbey relating to its grange of Aldburgh in Masham, North Riding of Yorkshire; National Archives,

Major Accessions to Repositories 1994, MIC 2945, Aldburgh (Masham) and district deeds and related

documents, circa 1154-1597. <https://searcharchives.bl.uk/catalog/040-001985175>

The exact legal instrument by which Aldfield entered the abbey estate has not been located.

Research sources:

- Aldfield local history summary, reporting the village's incorporation into the Fountains

Abbey estate in 1356; corroborative modern descriptions identify Aldfield as part of the Fountains

estate. <https://imfromyorkshire.uk.com/aldfield/>

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