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Weston or Oakhanger

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Location: Welford, Berkshire

LORDSHIP / TITLE ASSOCIATIONS

- Weston or Oakhanger | Associated | | Unverified

OWNERSHIP / HOLDER ACCOUNT

The two moieties of ELTON, described in the Domesday Survey as being in Shefford and belonging to

Odo Bishop of Bayeux, are represented by the farms of Elton and, possibly, OAKHANGER. They are first

mentioned as one manor in the foundation charter of St. George's Chapel at Oxford in about 1074.

After the forfeiture of the Bishop of Bayeux in 1082 the overlordship returned to the Crown.

The

abbey of Abingdon at an early date acquired the greater part of the tithes, which they attached to

their church at Welford, and thus this part of Shefford came into this parish. The Domesday record

states that Bristei had held 1½ hides in Shefford of the Confessor and that at the time of the

Survey they were held of the Bishop of Bayeux by Robert Doyley. The overlordship of this manor seems

to have passed with the other estates of this family to Robert's only daughter Maud, who married

firstly Miles Crispin and secondly Brian Fitz Count. After her death it passed to her cousin Robert,

the founder of Oseney Priory, who was the son of Niel Doyley. From Robert it passed to his son Henry

and from him to another Henry his son, who left an only daughter Maud, who died unmarried. It then

passed to Henry Doyley's sister Margery the wife of Henry de Newburgh Earl of Warwick, who was

followed on his death in 1229 by his son Thomas Earl of Warwick, who was holding it shortly afterwards and died seised of it in 1242, when the overlordship seems to have passed to the Crown.

CONVEYANCE / DESCENT

- | Henry and from him to another Henry | Passed | |

- | Henry Doyley's sister Margery the wife of Henry de Newburgh Earl of Warwick | Passed | |

- 1242 | the Crown | Passed | |

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