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Bridget Willoughby

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BIOGRAPHY

Bridget was the eldest daughter and coheiress of Sir Francis Willoughby, builder of Wollaton Hall.

Her arranged marriage to her second cousin Sir Percival Willoughby was intended to preserve the

Wollaton and Middleton estates within the wider Willoughby family. After years of litigation, the

couple occupied Wollaton Hall from 1599. Bridget died in 1629 and was buried at Wollaton.

NOTES / SOURCES

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