



DOMESDAY BOOK

Baverstock

The Domesday Book is a record of the great survey which was completed in 1086, of much of England and parts of Wales.

The survey was executed for William I of England (William the Conqueror) to determine how much each landholder had in land & livestock, and what it was worth. From this it could be determined how much tax was liable. The judgement of the Domesday assessors was final – whatever was written in the books about who held what material wealth or what it was worth, was law and no appeal was available. It was written in Latin and the text was highly abbreviated. The Domesday books were referred to as “the Book of Judgement” “because its decisions, like those of the Last Judgement, are unalterable”.

Section of the Domesday Book relating to (Parish name here)

Hundred	Cadworth
County	Wiltshire
Total Population	5 households (very small)
Total Tax assessed	3 geld units (medium)
Taxable Units	Taxable value 3 geld units
Value	Value to lord in 1086 £3.
Households	4 smallholders. 1 slave.
Ploughland	3 ploughlands (land for). 1 lord's plough teams. 2 men's plough teams.
Other resources	2.0 lord's lands. Meadow 6 acres. Pasture 4 acres.
Lord in 1066	Wilton St Mary, abbey of.
Lord in 1086	Wilton St Mary, abbey of.
Tenant-in-chief in 1086	Wilton St Mary, abbey of.
Phillimore reference	13,17

Section of the Domesday Book relating to Baverstock

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