Hilmarton

Settlement Examinations

Settlement Examination at Westerleigh, Gloucestershire

John Church, labourer, settlement examination 17 May 1779.

Born Hilmarton, Wilts, son of William Church. About 18 years previously he hired himself as a servant in husbandry to Henry Sarjeant of Mangotsfield, yeoman, and stayed one and three quarter years. About 7 years ago he married his late wife Elizabeth Bond (buried 27 April 1779 at Westerleigh. She died of smallpox). One child living James aged 5. (Note removal order for John and James to Mangotsfield). A second settlement examination was dated 9 April 1790. This included the same early details as above. Married his first wife about 20 years before and has no children now living of that marriage. Married his present wife, Hester, at Frampton Cotterell 3-4 years ago. Two children living, William aged 5 and Jacob aged 3