

Netherhaven Protestation Return of 1641/42

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The Protestation Returns relate to the years 1641/42, around the start of the Civil War. It was an Oath of loyalty to the King.

The incumbent of each parish was to read the protestation to his parishioners and all men over the age of 18 had to sign the oath but the women were not usually asked to sign.

The Protestation itself runs in the following terms :—

"I (A. B.) doe, in the presence of Almighty God, promise, vow, and protest to maintaine and defend, so farre as lawfullie I may, with my Hfe, power, and estate, the trne Reformed Protestant Religion expressed in the Doctrine of the Church of England, against all Poperie and Popish Innovations within this Realme contrarie to the same Doctrine and according to the dutie of my Allegiance [to] his Ma'ties Royall person, honor, and estate. As also the Power and Privileges of Parliament, the lawfull rights and Liberties of the subject, and every person that maketh this Protestation in whatsoever hee shall doe in the lawfull pursuence of ye same. And to my power, and as farre as lawfullie I may, I will oppose, and by all good waies and meanes indeavor to bring to condigne punishment all such as shall either by Force, Practise, Counsells, Plotts, Conspiracies, or otherwise do anie thing in this present Protestation contained. And further, that I shall in all Just and honorable waies endeavor to preserve ye Union and Peace between the three Kingdomes of England, Scotland, and heland. And neither for hope, feare, nor other respect, reliquish this promise, vow, and Protestation."

John Kinge, *vicar*

Richard Rumsey, *churchward.*

Richard Willis, *churchward.*

John Bayley, *ovseer*

Richard Watridge, *ovseer*

Edward Milles

Richard Legge, *sen.*

Jonathan Hill

Edmond Lake

John Sutton, *sen.*

John Samuell, *sen.*

Thorn. Mills

Mathewe Bennett

Willm. Head

Marmaduke Dicke

John Greene, *ju.*

Wm. Bayley

Richard Burrowe

Robt. Eueridge, *sen.*

Robt. Eueridge, *ju.*

Richard Harris

Nathaniell Cooper

John Eueridge

David Euans

John Heme, *sen.*

Joseph Tooker

John Spratt

Richard Jarvis

Xpofer. Mathewe

Joseph Sutton

Wm. Sutton, *sen.*

John Batch

Daniel Sutton

Thorn. Baitch, *ju.*

Wm. Lanchard

Marke Hobbs

Jefferey Williams

Nicholas Cole

Wm. Sutton

Robt. Hatchman

Nathaniell Hatchman

George Williams

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Thom. Dolleman, sen.	Francis Maton
Thom. Batch	Thom. Wiatt
Edmond Heme	Henrey Browne
Beniamyn Hatchman	Richard Harper
John Heme, ju.	Mathewe Watridge, sen.
Richard Carter	Mathew Legg
Wm. Vincent	Phillipp Harper
John Sutton, ju.	Mathewe Watridge, ju.
Henrey Mills	Leonard Maton
Robt. Carter	Isaacke Greene
John Batch, sen.	Sylas Gadge
Thorn. Tooker	Symon Banckes
John Bunckley	Simon Marsh
Robt. Fripp	John West
John Hatchman	Henrey Batch
Robt. Terrier	Thom. Dicke
Wm. Spratt	John done
Leonard Piper	John Bushell
Thorn. Doleman, ju.	Robt. Morrice
John Samuel, ju.	John Collins, sen.
John Draper	Mathew Hayne, sen.
Mathew Tarrant	John Bushell
Richard Rumsey, ju.	John Rickets
Thom. Batch, sen.	Richard Heme
Jonathan Sheppard	Richard Edmonds
Edmond Rumsey	Symon Spratt
Wm. Alder	John Doleman
Richard Legg, ju.	Robt. Drewe
Richard Sutton	Robt. Heme
Tymothy Longe	John Hibb't
Wm. Barton	John Longe
Wm. Gwym (sic)	Richard Rumsey, sen.
Symon Banckes, sen.	John King, ju.
John Dovvne	Wm. Pavis
John Rumsey	Henrey Bidney
Richard Weekes	Wm. Fessrey
John Worwood	Wm. Haynes
Peter Batch	John Baynger
Mathew Haynes, ju.	John Bothers
Thom. Terryer	Thom. Wilkes
Richard Pinckney	Thom. Rickatts
John Collins	

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