

# Terriers and Surveys

## Copies of Surveys and Ancient Records Relating to this Vicarage

(WANHS Box 313 MSS 2437 – Overton Vicarage)

### Extract from taxation in the 18th year of King Edward 1st.

Diocese of Sarum, Deanery of Avebury:

Church of Overton with chapel at Fyfield	£13 – 6s – 8d
Portion of the Dean of Wilton in the same	£1 – 13s – 4d

Taxed on ninth of corn, wool and lamb. Valued at £15. Ninth was £8 – 10s with 52s from St Swithins and 22s from Wilton.

### Vicarial Lands

One court with a close	20s
3 virgates	40s
1 meadow	6s 8d
Tyhe and hay	34s
Oblations and other tythes	40s

There is no mention of a vicarage.

Parishoners at the time were John Dismore, John Clere, Phillip Atwaler and William Over. The tax assessment was presented to Robert Selyman.

### Taxation for Edward III (1342)

Vicarial lands rated at £15. No mention of a vicarage.

### Ecclesiastical Survey in 26 year of Henry VIII (1535)

Vicarial lands had a yearly value of £23 – 0s – 5d. arising from tithes of hay, wool, lamb and small tithes etc. Vicar John Lawrence declared to the commissioners the lands to be worth £20.

### Extract from the Registry of the Land of the Bishop of Sarum 1588

Survey records the vicarage as:-

One dwelling house with orchard and garden and court or Barton and barne, a stable and several closes of pasture or mead thereunto adjoining contiguously by estimation acres and half.

The churchwardens were William Smyth and William Smyth. The sidemen were Robert ?, Thomas Stephens and William Stephens.

### Extract from the Registry of the Land of the Bishop of Sarum 1608

A terrier of the glebe lands and othe right duties and possessions belonging to the parishe and vicarage of Overton in the Home or Churche parish there now in the posesion of the assigns annon dni 1608.

Imprimus and ? one vicarage howse with an orchard garden, a Barton, a little close a barne and a close of pasture or meade beneath the barne conteyninge in all by estimacion three acres more or lesse.

Item one plott of meadowe in the north side of the water of Kynnett conteyninge half an acre more or less. Item one hundred sheepe leaze upon Hackpenne. Item common pasture uppon the Solertowne? Downes for thirtene King or Oxon. Item common or feeding for thirtene piggs or hoggs in the north side. Item one pencon from the nowe Counties of Pembroke off viijs ixd. Item one yearlie payment of xiiis iijd for the feeding of the Temple Flocke within the parishe of Overton. Item fortie six acres and three yards af arable land and meadowe within the field of East Overton viz 10 acres of arable in the south fields of the church xij acres of arable land and three yards or thereabouts of meadow in the East side of the church towards Lockeridge 22 acres ao arable lying in the north field beyond the water of Kynnett.

Vicar was Thomas Clifford.

Churchwardens Roger Malamy and Richard Dismer.

The sidemen were Thomas Stephens, Willm Smyth, Robert Kingsman and Richard Willmott.

Extract from the Registry of the Land of the Bishop of Sarum 1671

Extensive survey. Churchwardens were Robert Browne and Edward Franklin.

Extract from the Registry of the Land of the Bishop of Sarum 1704/5

January 11 1704/5. In the obedience to the command of our right reverend diocesan Gilbert 2nd Bishop of Sarum the Minister Churchwardens and princilpe inhabitants of Overton in the county of Wiltshire do present our Terrier as follows:

? that the Vicarage of Overton aforesaid in the Archdeaconry of Wilts and diocese of Sarum is a Vicary endowd having within its precincts two chapels of East vizd Fyfield and Alton Priors and therin there follows tithings vizt East Overton, West Overton, Lockeridge Shaw belonging to Overton parish. Aulton and Stowell belonging to Aulton Priors parish and Fyfield a tithing of itself.

Item that in the parish of Overton aforesaid the Vicarage House, the barn, the out houses, the backside, the garden, and the meadow adjoining contain in common computation three acres, yhat there is one plot of meadow in common Pread called Broad Mead containing half an acre having the river on the south and the great road on the north, that there is also another plot of meadow in Gipson Furlong lying upon Stanley at Halfwy Bush being half an acre, that there is in the Churchyard and two plots of land there are formerly lett to Willm Andrews Snr and the other to Mary Andrews widow lying next to their houses in which they now inhabit.

Item that in the severall Fyfields belonging to Overton aforesaid vizt in the field commonly called Bitons Hatshets, Gate Barrows Field, Gibsons Furlong, Pound Field, Longfield which are all on the south side of the river there are twenty four acres and one yard vizt in Bittons six acres, ? of which three ly together in the Shells next to Hatchets Gate Field running across the road one lies in Blacksmiths Furlong., two ly together running up to Long Hedge from west to east, four acres are in

that called Hatchets Gate Field of which two ly together in sum from west to east upon the road commonly called Whiteway, laying to the south of Farmer Wells's one of which is a Head acre running from south to north upon the other single acre in the same field. In Baron Field are six acres and a half candle acre on the north, one acres called Barrow Acre the west end lying on the north of Barrow, having half an acre between it and the Barrow, anothers acre's a Head acre running from south to west upon three acres of John Stretches, the next half only one acre between that and the foremencond and they running ye same way upon the halve that belongs to ye Vicarage, this half running from north to ye south having another half to the west of Roger Poltons being both Head halves.

In Gibsons Furlong are one and a half acre runs from south to north upon Stanley having a half of Farmer Wells upon ye east, the half runs the same way upon the aforemencond half of Mead in Gibson Furlong, in Ponud Field Acre, three acres and one yard one acre running fron west to east upon the southwards common of Stanley two acres run from west to east upon the aforemencond acre the yard runs the same way under a Linchet on ye south side near upon the midel of Stanley. In Longfield are two acres and two halves one acre of which is on Whiteslade Furlong running from ye east to ye west upon a half yd belongs to the Vicarage the other acreruns from south west to north east upon Roger Poltons having an acre of John Brownes upon the northwest the other half is on Red Hill in Pan Furlong running from west to east upon a half of Rob wells Snr having two acres of Roger Poltons upon the south then on the north side of the river are 22 acres of arable more in the field commonly called Cotton Barrow.

White Vicares Field and Paddle Drove and Catten Barrow are four acres all lying sverally three running from east to west two of these running upon ten Acres Hedge one next ye great road except two acres the other half an acre of Roger Poltons on the south side, the third hath Robt Brownes on the north, the fourth hath Cotton Barrow Laine on the west lying just under it. In Whitehill are two acres one of them runs from north to south up eight acres belonging to the Farmer in East Overton and it hath the samer Farmers field on ye west the other is called Pickledean Down save one acre of Thos Smiths. In Vicars Field are six acres of which three ly together running from north to south having one acre at each end belonging to the Vicarage the other lys near Lickledean, the other running from ye east to the east having Robert Brownes on the south. In Paddle Drove are six acres two acres of which ly together running from south to north upon Richd Andrews three acres having one acre of Thos Smiths on the west side the other two acres run the same way having Roger Poltons acre on the west, the other two are single acres one running the same way having Robt Brownes upon the west the other acre also runs the same way to the nort having an acre of Robt Brownes to the east.

There is a field called Stitchingfield in which are four acres two of them lying together running from ye west to the east upon three acres belonging to the Vicarage being two Head acres having on the north side a half of John Brownes ane single acre called Bum Acre running ye same way having two acres of Mr Fowler on the south the other single runs from south to the north upon Thos Smiths acre having an acre of John Devizes on the west.

Item in the severall tithings aforesaid in the parish of Overton aforesaid viz in East Overton, West Overton Lockeridge and Shaw belong to the vicarage of Overton the s veral tithes of hay, wool, lamb, calve, wood, cheese, hemp, flax, and all other small tithes of the farm of East Overton now in the possession of John Smith and except all the tithes of the farm of West Overton now in the possession of Michael Cook and except all the tithes of Thos Smith in West Overton and the half tithes of George Brownes and the half of Robert Brownes the third of a yardland and half that was Thos Churches now in the possession of Hercules Wright and George Church, Robert Church Scory Hall and Thomas

Kingsman.

Memorandum that there is a half yardland in Lockeridge now joynded to the farm in East Overton formerly in the possession of Thomas Stretch which pay tithes to the vicar.

A true copy taken if the original and examined by me Willm Poer? D Raft

The vicar was Ben Smith.

Churchwardens were Michael Cook and Robt Brown.

Also mentioned were Thos Smith, John Smith, John Davis and Robert Church.

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