

Roll 74

Willington

**View of Frankpledge with Court Baron of William Gostwicke Esquire, held there on the twenty-third day of October in the forty-first year of the reign of the our¹ lady Elizabeth, by the grace of god, Queen of England, France and Ireland, defender of the faith. [1599]
The first Court of William Butler, gentleman, Steward there**

Essoins

None on this day

Sworn now for the lady Queen, from the Homage, by the Sworn Men

William Yarwaye	William Sylbey	Thomas Shadbolt
William Ball	Thomas Gayton	Robert Dey
John Hilles	William Osmond	Richard Rozell
Thomas Cleyton	George Fadlett	Peter Inyce
William Mason	Thomas Rozell	John Rogam

They present common fines for hed [sic] silver and land silver viijs xjd [8s 11d²]

Firstly the aforesaid Men presented on their oaths that the Inhabitants gave viijs xjd [8s 11d] to the Lord as Common fine for head silver and land silver on this day, as from ancient Custom. This paid in Court, into the hand of the aforesaid lord, as follows: from the holding of William Yarwaye xvd [15d], from the holding of George Fadlett viijd [8d], from the holding of William Ball vjd [7d], from the holding of Michael Meyse iiijd [4d], from the holding of Thomas Rozell ijd [3d], from the holding of Thomas Shadbolt viijd [8d], from the holding of William Sylbey vjd [7d], from the holding of Peter Inyce vd [5d], from the holding of William Osmond iiijd [4d], from the holding of Thomas Gayton iiijd [4d], from the holding of Edward Cleyton xd [10d], from the holding of William Mason vd [5d], from the holding of Thomas Hilles xd [10d], from the holding of Richard Rozell ijd [3d], from the holding of Robert Dey ijd [2d], from the holding of Richard Reynoldes jd [1d], from the holding of Peter Cowper jd [1d], from the holding of John Goodwyn jd [1d], from the holding of Robert Craft jd [1d], from the holding of Thomas Man jd [1d], from the Tytford holding jd [1d], from the holding of Thomas Bacon jd [1d], from the holding of Stephan Momford jd [1d], from the holding of two widows jd [1d], from the holding of John Wren jd [1d], from the holding of widow Gye jd [1d].

Making default of Suit of court

Also they say that the Earl of ^{iiijd [4d]} Kent, Nicholas ^{iiijd [4d]} Luke esquire, Giles ^{iiijd [4d]} Allen gentleman, Agnes ^{iiijd [4d]} Richardson, Richard ^{iiijd [4d]} Reynoldes, and the parson of ^{iiijd [4d]} Bromham owed suit at this Court and made default on this day. Therefore each of them is at mercy to the lord as appears above their Heads

¹ *ure*, this abbreviation is given in Martin 'The Record Interpreter' as 'vestrae or videre'

² The total of the fines below is 8s 10d, a corrected list, which is easier to read, is written in different ink at the end of the roll.

The Population is amerced

We present ourselves and certain inhabitants within the Jurisdiction of this Lete have not provided Arrows with longbows, according to terms of the Statute thereof. Therefore the inhabitants are at mercy to the lord ijd [2d]

Furthermore the aforesaid Sworn Men say that the aforesaid inhabitants have not got their own³ according to the form of the statute thereof, therefore the inhabitants are at mercy to the lord for xijd [12d]

Also they present that Thomas Shadbolt has not cleared his watercourse sufficiently. Therefore he is at mercy to the lord iiijd [4d]

Election of Constable

At this lete Thomas Shadbolt and Robert Dey were elected into the office of Constable and Sworn in.

Now the Court Baron

Penalties put⁴

1. **Firstly**, it was ordered by the aforesaid Sworn Men *that the whole Inhabitants shall before the feast of Saint Martin the Bishoppe next cominge Dreane the feyls where nede shall require with the Common plough upon payne of everie farmer making default to forfayt ijs [2s] and every cottager xijd [12d]*
2. **Item** *that none shall suffer their Sheepe to go into the Stubble fieldes untill one wicke before Saint Matthew's Daye and that no man shall let their beastes go abrode in the night, untill the same tyme without consent of the whole Inhabitants or the most parte of them. Upon payne of everie one offendinge to forfayt for everie defaulte xijd [12d]*
3. **Item** *that everie man shall Ringe his hogges before the feast of Saint Luke [18th October], uppon payne to forfayt for very hogge unringed iiijd [4d]*
4. **Item** *that there shalbe no bie [sic] heardes kept after the hearde goeth forth with the beastes, upon payne of everie one offendinge to forfayte for everie time so offending iijs iiijd [3s 4d]*
5. **Item** *it is agreed that if thinhabitants, or the most parte of them, do consent to preserve and kepe anie one fielde severall at such tyme as there harvest is ended, for their plough Cattell, that whosoever shall breake up the same contrarie to the order and agreement by them sett downe, shall forfayte xs [10s]*

³ This phrase has been difficult to translate. It has been assumed that an abbreviation h'nt is 'habent'

⁴ Orders 1 to 12 are mostly written in English. The English passages are shown in italics. There are a variety of unusual spellings for words.

6. **Item** that none shall suffer their Cattell to go uppon the Common of Myll field before the tyme appointed upon payne of everie one makinge default to forfayte for everie tyme yf they are there taken xijd [12d]
7. **Item** that everie man shall ditch his landes in the tilth and breach fieldes before Saint Andrewe thapostle next [30th November], and in anie other place or places upon lawful warninge given to them it maye for not dytchinge be annoyance to thinhabitants. Uppon payne of everie one makinge default to forfayte xijd [12d]
8. **Item** that none shall kepe any geese to go into their neighbours grayne upon payne to forfayte for everie tyme that they are taken in any grayne xijd [12d] viz, vjd [6d] to the Lorde and vjd [6d] to the owner of the graine [sic].
9. **Item** that none shall kepe any oxen or other Cattell in Mychaelmas field, but such as shalbe tyed uppon their owne grounde, uppon payne of everie one offending to forfeit for everie default xijd [12d]
10. **Item** that none shall gleane any beanes nor pease upon payne of everie one offending to forfeit xijd [12d], viz iiijd [4d] to the Lorde and viijd [8d] to the owner of the Land.
11. **Item** that none shall gleane any other grayne without lycens of the owner untill the grayne be carried, upon payne to forfeite for everie default xijd [12d], viz iiijd [4d] to the Lord and viijd [8d] to the owner of the grayne.
12. **Item** if any man encroche upon his neighbours land in plowinge, by the Judgement of two indifferent men, then the offender shall laye it out againe and shall likewise forfeit to the Lord for everie such defaulte xijd [12d]

If any of these orders be broken by the Lord of the Manner (the depasturinge of xl [40] Lambes in the stubble field at the Lords pleasure onely excepted) yt then the sayd orders shall stand voyd.

Overseers of the Fields

At this Court William Yarwaie, Edward Cleyton, John Hilles and William Silbey were elected overseers of the Fields and Sworn in.

Assessors of fines: John Hilles, Thomas Shadbolt, Sworn Men

A particular of the fine Certaine⁵ belonging to this manner what everie tenante payeth for his Tenemente to the Lord, at the feast of Saint Michael Tharchangel only

⁵ Fixed fine

William Yarwaie a year	xvd [15d]	Richard Reynolde	jd [1d]
George Fadlett	vijjd [8d]	Peter Coper	jd [1d]
William Ball	vijd [7d]	John Goodwyn	jd [1d]
Michael Mease	iiijd [4d]	Robert Craft	jd [1d]
Thomas Rosell	ijjd [3d]	Thomas Man	jd [1d]
Thomas Shatbolt	vijjd [8d]	Richard Tytford	jd [1d]
William Sylbey	vijd [7d]	Thomas Bacon	jd [1d]
Peter Inyce	vd [5d]	Stephen Momford	jd [1d]
William Osmund	iiijd [4d]	John Manton	jd [1d]
Thomas Geyton	iiijd [4d]	John Wren	jd [1d]
Edward Cleaton	xd [10d]	Wyddowe Gye	jd [1d]
William Mason	vd [5d]	for the tenement in which two widows	
Thomas Hille	xd [10d]	live	jd [1d]
Richard Rosell	iiijd [3d]		
Robert Dey	ijjd [2d]	sum total viijs xjd [8s 11d]	