

BL4 11th May 1468

This roll is written on the same parchment as BL3, so there is no 'Wyllyngton' heading. The transcription has been prepared from British Library manuscript Add.Ch.26813/1-8, Willington Manor Court Rolls, and reference has also been made to Bedfordshire and Luton Archives and Record Service ref: CRT 130/4 WILLINGTON.

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Halmoot held there on Wednesday 11th May in the eighth year of the reign of Edward the fourth [1468]

Essoins – no entry

The Homage

John Yerwey the elder	Randolph Bawdewyn'	Nicholas Cruce	John Bawdewyn'
John Flaundrys	Thomas Tayllour	Nicholas Waren'	Thomas Sall'
John Bardell'	John Sterlyng	Walter Yerwey	John Waren'

none

The sworn men present that the lane that is the way to the turn¹ next to the ~~pontem~~ M[illegible] of Robert Gostwyke as far as the Tenement of Richard Flowre and so to the wood called Sherehache is the lord's own land and the common way for the people of the lord King but pasture only for the use of the tenants of the lord and no others without permission, on which the lord will have all their goods confiscated if they do.²

Also they present that John Warnere has moved his hedges just as he was ordered to.

Penalties pending

It was ordered to all the tenants who possess hedges and make their Crofts to the north and south that they must remove them before xl [40] days under a penalty for each of xld [40d]. so that each tenant should have access for their plough, except for Myllefelde which is only a footpath

Amercement viijd [8d]

Also they present that Randolph ^{ijd [2d]} Bawdewyn, John ^{ijd [2d]} Stones, William ^{ijd [2d]} Cooper, John ^{ijd [2d]} Bardoll' have not mended the ditches near their holdings just as they were ordered. Therefore they are amerced.

The homage has a day until the next [court] to present whether the Abbot of Wardon has fished in the several waters of the lord or not

Deliveries of underwood

The bailiff is ordered to deliver half a Rood of withies to John Roper, and to Christopher Maleton' half a Rood , and half a Rood to Thomas Bayleman for the repairs of their tenements; and half

¹ Written as *tournete* or *tourente* in the document.

² This by-law is unique in these court rolls. It seems to say that any non-villagers who allow their animals to graze on the verges of the village lanes will have their goods and animals confiscated. Thus, the use of the ford across the Ouse and other passage of animals from outside the vill is effectively forbidden

an Acre for the repair of the Mill dam; and half a rood to repair one barn of John Yerwey, the younger, the bailiff.

Sale of underwood

This year the Bailiff has sold x [10] Acres of underwood at Sherehache, whence there remains to the lord as clear³ ix [9] Acres and one Acre for tithes, at viijs [8s] an Acre. **Lxxijs [72s]**

Assessors of fines John Roper, John Bawdewyn, sworn men

The sum of this court viijd [8d]

Steward's expenses iiijs [4s]

The sum total of one view and one preceding Court xjs ijd [11s 2d]

Therefrom in Steward's expenses this Year viijs [8s]

³ Meaning 'net'