

Roll 37

There is no pencil mark with the number, or heading 'Willington.' Three pieces of paper and parchment are sewn together along the top edge.

The hand-writing is significantly different to that in earlier rolls

The court of Lady Katherine Duchess of Norfolk, held there on Friday in the Vigil of Saint George the Martyr in the eighteenth year of the Reign of King Henry the sixth after the conquest[22nd April 1440]

Sworn men

John Taylor	John Tryket	Robert Partryche
John Yarwey the elder	William Dryngwell	Thomas Sterlyng constable
John Rotlond	Richard Bawdewyn	John Palmer constable
John Fesaunt	John Palmer the younger	William Sterlyng

Amercements xvd [15d]

They present that William ^{defect now well} Dryngwell, Thomas ^{put right} Wyltschyre, David ^{ijd [2d]} Whytchyrche, John ^{ijd [2d]} Yarwey the elder, Robert ^{ijd [2d]} Partryche, John ^{ijd [2d]} Clerk, John ^{ijd [2d]} Bodynho, William ^{ijd [2d]} Sterlyng, John ^{ijd [2d]} Fesaunt, Robert ^{jd [1d]} Fesaunt have ruined tenements, therefore they are amerced. And they are ordered to put them right against the next [court] under a penalty for each of them of ijs [2s]

Amercement ijd [2d] penalty

Also they present that John ^{ijd [2d]} Maryon has an overflowing ditch next to the holding of Thomas Sterlyng, causing a nuisance to the neighbours. Therefore they are at mercy. And both are ordered to put it right against the next [court] under a penalty of vjs viiijd.[6s 8d]

Amercement ijd [2d] penalty

Also they present that the same John ^{ijd [2d]} Maryon has another overflowing ditch below Dudlescroft, causing a nuisance. Therefore he is at mercy. And he was ordered to put right the aforesaid ditch against the next [court] under a penalty of vjs viiijd [6d 8d]

Amercement ijd [2d] penalty

Also they present that David ^{ijd [2d]} Whytchyrche has a ditch below his tenement, not flowing sufficiently, causing a nuisance. Therefore he is amerced. And furthermore he was ordered to put it right against the next, under a penalty of ijs [2s].

Amercement ijd [2d] penalty

Also they present that John ^{ijd [2d]} Myton has another damaged ditch at the end of the township causing a nuisance in the neighbourhood. Therefore he is at mercy. And furthermore he was ordered to put it right against the next [court] under a penalty of iiijs [4s].

Attachments none

Names of the assessors of fines: John Rotlond, John Yarweye the younger,

Sum of this court xxijjd [23d]

Expenses of the steward and of other surveyors vijs vjd [7s 6d].

37 additions

Welyngton

Memorandum of various costs and expenses made as regards the barn of Thomas Wyltschyre there for new reparations paid for by lady Katherine, Duchess of Norfolk in the xvij^o [18th] year of Henry vj^o [6th] [That is between 1st September 1439 and 31st August 1440]

Firstly for felling xxvij [27] sole ¹ posts and wall-plates and secondly for C ⁱⁱⁱ [300] spars	iijs [4s]
Also for paying John Cook of Cople, carpenter, for making the said barn iij li xijs iiijd	[£3 13s 4d]
Also ^{to John Wright} for buying reeds for the same	vs ijd [5s 2d]
For ^{to John Wright} working the same reeds ^{for xj [11] days taken for iiijd [4d] a day}	iijs viij [3s 8d]
Also ^{to John Wody} for one roof, for thatching the same ^{jointly, with the Ridging of the same,}	vijs vjd [8s 6d]
Also ^{to William Drynkwel} for hiring ² j [1] man for carrying straw for roofing to the same	vijs [7s] in full
Also in straw ^{to John Myton, Thomas Wyltshire} bought for the same barn	xxxiijs iiij [33s 4d]
Also in Laths for Winding ^{to John Bodenhowe} and Daubing, in full	xjs [11s]
Also to ^{to William Drinkwell} in digging and carrying land for the same	ijs vjd [2s 6d]
In hinges and hooks ^{to Thomas Ranaldes} bought for the doors and shutters	xxijd [22d]
In raising the same	xijs [7s]
In a month for the said roofer and his servant for xx [20] days	vjs viijd [6s 8d] ³

Total £8 4s [almost invisible, at the bottom of the sheet]

Welyngton Richard Pecke, bailiff there

The same Richard makes allowance of xxxijs iiijd [32s 4d] paid to the lord king both from the Views in Cardington and in Welyngton this year the xvij^o [18th]

Decay of rent rendered xs jd [10s 1d]

¹ Solys postys – they may have been posts which were set in the ground or rested on it, or posts for a solar..

² *conductio*

³ That is 4d a day for 2 men

Also for an allowance of ijs iiijd [3s 4d] charged on the tenement lately in the holding of John Gabriell for which he paid per annum xiijs iiijd [13s 4d] and now demised for xs [10s] by Richard Phille.

And for ijs [3s] charged on the tenement lately in the holding of Henry Lord for which he rendered viijs [8s] a year and now let for vs [5s] by the same Richard Phille,

And for xxd [20d] charged on the tenement lately in the holding of Stephen Colet for which he was answerable for payment of vjs viijd [6s 8d] a year and now let for vs [5s] by the same Richard Phille.

And for ijs jd [2s 1d] free rent in decay of one tenement lately belonging to Adam Warde, because it is devastated, and in the hand of the lord because of no tenant this year.

And for xijs [12s] of income from the rabbits this year to the above from David Whytchyrche as from part of his fee to the lord this year xviiij [the 18th] Et cetera

[torn edge] John Waryner xvs ijd [15s 2d]

Also the cancelled⁴ account ^{of W Drynkwel} for felling⁵ xxviiij [28] spars for the repairs of the tenement lately belonging to Dynyell iiijd [4d]

And for carrying ^{the same} viijd [8d]

And for carrying ^{T Wry[ght] of Blunham} them to the lord ijs iiijd [3s 4d]

And in reeds ^{Robert [Bellyface]} bought for the same ijs [2s]

And for making the same ^{Robert Feasaunt} in Willington xd [10d]

Also in straw bought ^{from Thomas Maryan} for the same iiijs [4s]

Also for cutting ^{Katherine Ireland} the same straw xijd [12d]

And in j [1] thatcher ^{John Benet} for thatching the same straw xvjd [16d]

And for the servant ^{John Abell} of the same for carrying the aforesaid straw to him xvjd [16d]

And for Cⁱⁱⁱⁱ [400] nails bought ^{at Bedford} for the same tenement iiijd [4d]

And for viij li iijs [£8 4s] for constructing one barn for Thomas Wyltschire as appears above in various parcels of a certain schedule annexed and specified.

Costs of the houses in the holding of Robert Tayllour alias clerk

iiij li vjs vjd [£4 6s 6d]

Also on the cancelled⁶ account ^{to William Drynkwel}

For xxv [25] studs⁷, wall-plates⁸ and beams and also for L [50] spars for the tenement ^{with carriage} of John Yarwey vijs [7s]

And for one carpenter ^{Thomas Wryght} to construct, in full, and underpin the Insethouse ^{xiijs iiijd [13s 4d]} and putting together the sides assembled for the same building and for putting

together ^{xvjs viijd [16s 8d]} one malt-kiln⁹ by his new master carpenter, in full xxxs [30s]

Also in reeds ^{all from the [illegible, Warren?]} bought for the same ijs vjd [2s 6d]

⁴ See below

⁵ *In prostertas* the other word considered was *imprest*

⁶ *In/prostarcione*

⁷ *Sol Stodes*, this may mean lower (ie soil) studs, or studs for the solar, that is the upper floor. It is likely that John Yarwey was prosperous enough to have a solar.

⁸ *Raserupeccione?*

⁹ *hustuam*

Also in straw ^{W Drynkwell} bought for the same ^{for the said ij [2] buildings} xvijs [17s]
 And for j [1] ^{John Benett} roofer, constructing for ix [9] days on the same tenement iijs [3s]
 And for j [1] servant ^{W Drynkwell} for the aforesaid for the aforesaid time iijs [3s]
 In j [1] servant for the roofer ^{[illegible] Robert Taillour} ijs vjd [2s 6d]
 Also payment for the reeds ^{William Peck} chiefly from Webb's xijd [12d]
 In the costs concerning the raising of the said malt-kiln¹⁰ xvd [15d]
 And in digging land ^{W Drynkwell} and carrying [it] for the same xijd [12d]
 Also in cutting down and carrying withies ^{for putting on the said buildings} xvijjd [18d]
 Also for Winding and Binding ^{Robert Fesond} and Dawbing the same, in full, jxs [9s]
 Also in hinges and hooks ^{Thomas Regynald} bought for the doors and windows ijs [2s]
 Also ^[illegible] for CCC^m and a half [350] nails bought for the same doors and windows
 xvd [15d]¹¹
 Also in separating j [1] rood of boards for the aforesaid buildings and the mill
 vs iijs [4s 6d]

Costs of the mill..

W Drinkwell, William Shakeston and W Pecke for scouring one watercourse on the western side of the mill

Also the account of various expenses made round the millpond there this year the xvijj^o [18th] vijs [7s]

Fee¹² account

The same account [hole torn] for accounting for the fee itself XXX^{tu} [30] shillings and iiijd [4d] and for the Court of Bedford [hole torn]

And for wood [hole torn] for the same vj shillings and viijd [6s 8d]

¹⁰ *hustrine*

¹¹ These nails cost slightly more than those bought at Bedford, which were 4d for 100.

¹² Fee used in its medieval sense, these are the lords accountancy costs.