

COWLANDS FARM

Copyhold of the Manor of Bexhill. Also known as Haddocks Farm and Haddocks Hill House.

Situated in Wrestwood Road, now developed with new housing 2001.

PROPERTY DETAILS (NGR TQ 7464 0882)

This was always a small holding but in the 16th century it was farmed with approx. 13 acres near Sidley Green.

<1567>	Mildred Smith, late John a Sole, tenement and 18 acres (1)
<1673>	John Smith as Cowlands with Messuage and 5 acres (2)
1688	Court Book entry death of Maria Thacker wife of Thomas Thacker formerly relict of John Smith (3)
<1726-1736>	Thomas Bigg or Elizabeth Prior, Rev Ott quotes from his Tithe Book (4)
<1740>	Thomas Bigg, the road here was for many years called Biggs Hill (5)
<1754>	John Stubberfield (6)
<1764	Edward Woodgate before Taylors and before Stapleys (15)
1764 Jul 18	John Philcox, victualer, on surrender of Edward Woodgate Messuage garden and two pieces of land cont 5 acres paying 4d in tenure of John Wood and John Whistler (15)
1784 Apr 9-1810	Joseph Newington on surrender of John Philcox (7)
1810 Dec 12	Death of Joseph Newington leaves property to Henry Reeves, yeoman (8)
1823	Henry Reeves owner as Manor Rental (9)
1843 Jul 17	Death of Henry Reeves the elder (10)
1843	Henry Reeves owner, James Harris tenant still as Cowlands 5 acres (11)
1873	O.S. Map shows this as Haddocks House (13)
1891	John Freeman, dairyman (12)
<1901>	Stephen Carey. contractors yard as Haddocks House (12)
<1909-1939>	Stephen Carey, house buildings and land as Haddock Hill Farm. (16)
<1919/1920>	E.J. Rushbridge owner, Britt & Noakes tenants (14)
<1999>	Mr and Mrs Harmer as a bus depot and other small workshops
2001	Land developed for housing.

SOURCES

- 1 KAO U269 M20 Maidstone Record Office
- 2 ESRO ADA 49 Court Book
- 3 ESRO ADA 58 Court Book
- 4 ESRO AMS 5641/2 Rev Ott Tithe Book
- 5 ESRO DR/B33/1 Poor Rate
- 6 ESRO PAR240/30/1 Poor Rate
- 7 ESRO ADA 64
- 8 ESRO ADA 65 p393
- 9 Bexhill Manor Rental, Bexhill Museum
- 10 ESRO ADA 67 p357
- 11 ESRO TD/E 141 Tithe Award
- 12 Bexhill Directory
- 13 O.S. Map 25"
- 14 ESRO Land Tax
- 15 ESRO ADA 63
- 16 ESRO IRV1/8 Inland Revenue