LUNSFORD CROSS FARM

PROPERTY DETAILS (NGR TQ 7215 1065)

In the middle 19th century this farm consisted of almost 60 acres. The land lay across the Bexhill and Ninfield parish boundary. The farmhouse and buildings were in the Ninfield Parish along with 15 acres of land, 31 acres being in Bexhill on the western side of Peartree Lane. This farm also had around 12 acres on the Pevensey Marsh. It was owned by Sir Peregrine Ackland as part of the Park Gate Estate in Catsfield.

At the sale of Lunsford Cross by auction at the Guildhall Coffee House, Gresham Street London on 4th August 1864 the tenant was Burton Spray except for the marshlands which were in the occupation of W. Dowdeswell Esq. (1)

OWNER/TENANT DETAILS

<1727-1737> Philip Blackman (2) 1840 James Spray of Bexhill tenant (3) 1843 Sir Peregrine Ackland owner, James Spray tenant (4) <1861> Thomas Sellens farmer 130 acres (5) 1907 George Hobden tenant

SOURCES

- (1) ESRO BAT 2137
- (2) ESRO AMS 5641/2 Rev Ott Tithe Book
- (3)
- (4) ESRO TD/E 141 Bexhill Tithe Award 1842
- (5) 1861 Census