

## SHORTWOOD FARM

Copyhold of the Manor of Bexhill

### PROPERTY DETAILS (NGR TQ 7321 1096)

The name was Shortwood issceorta wida in 772, Schortewood in 1288. (12)  
Shortwood was mentioned in King Offa's Charter of 772, defining the area of 8 hides he gave to endow the Church. It is in the northern part of the parish.

### OWNER/TENANT DETAILS

- <1567> Gregory Fiennes, Lord Dacre is shown as holding Shortwood and Fright 80 acres of freehold land. Also Florence Cotes with one third part of copyhold cottage and lands. (1)
- <1673> Mr Alchorne, Quepmans and Shortwood, Messuage, barn & 60 acres (2)
- <1727-1734  
1734-1737> Joseph Grover (7)  
Thomas Grover (7)
- <1740> James Markwicke is paying Poor Rate (5)
- <1802> Lenoia Tilden-Sampson tenement, barn & 30 acres, also another 32 acres of land two separate parts of Shortwood (3)
- <1818> Richard King Sampson owner (4)
- <1840> William Earry tenant (9)
- <1843> Richard King Sampson owner, William Earry tenant. Shortwood was not shown by name on the Tithe Award as by this time it was owned and tenanted along with Mount Pleasant Farm (P5/26) (6)
- <1851> William Barder agricultural labourer living in the house (11)
- 1910 Sep 21 There is a plan clearly defining the boundaries of Shortwood Farm which goes with an agreement between Edwin Verity, farmer and Thomas Allnut Brassey of the Park Gate Estate, Catsfield. This agreement was for Edwin Verity to allow Thomas Brassey to take the shooting all over the farm also Rushford Wood. (8)
- <1919-1920> Charles Wren owner occupier (10)



Shortwood 1990's

## SOURCES

- 1 Maidstone Record Office KAO U269 M20
- 2 ESRO ADA 49
- 3 ESRO RAF Box
- 4 David Martin's note on rental of 1802
- 5 ESRO DR/B33/1
- 6 ESRO TD/E 141 Tithe Award
- 7 ESRO AMS 5641/2 Rev Ott Tithe Book
- 8 ESRO A5643/1/75/5
- 9 Bexhill Museum Voters List 1840
- 10 ESRO Land Tax
- 11 1851 Census
- 12 The Place Names of Sussex by Mawer & Stenton