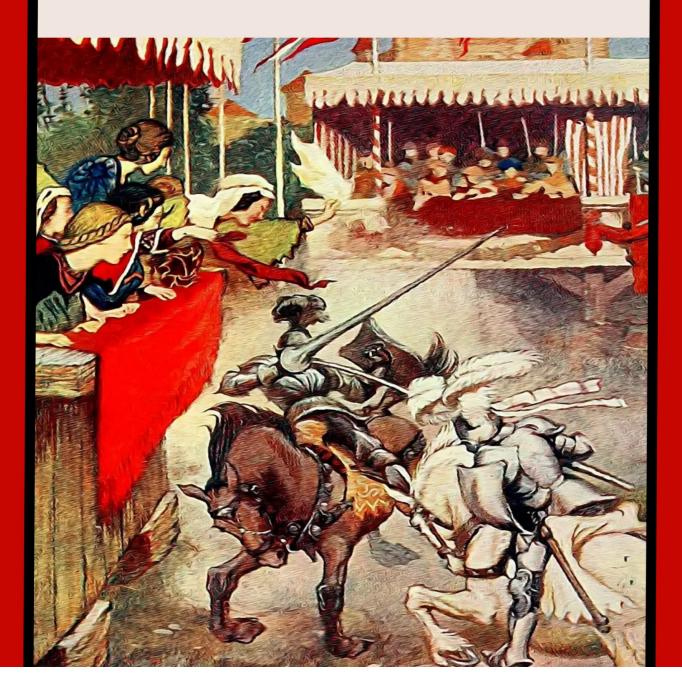




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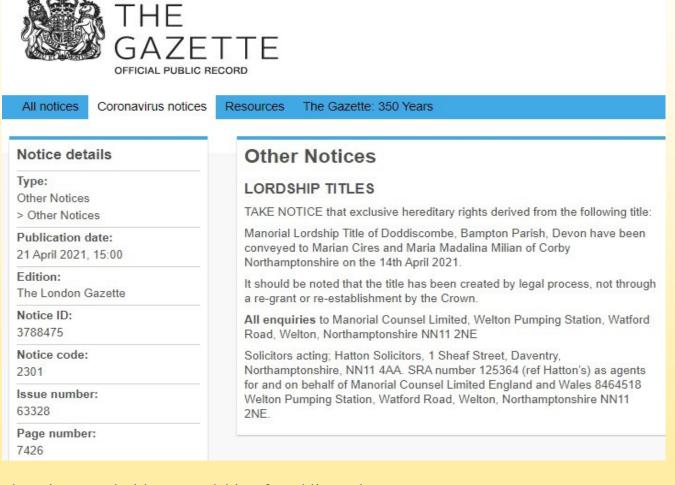
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## LORD OF THE MAROR OF DODDISCOMDSLEIGH

There is controversy over this title as a company/platform called Manorial Counsel Ltd sold a title by the name of Lordship of Doddiscombe in the parish of Bampton in the county of Devon . There is no such Lordship of Doddiscombe. The manor with the administrative duties and dignity of Lord of the Manor was Doddinsconbsleigh,

Therefore, the Lordship of Doddiscombe is a fictitious title which has been fraudulently registered on the Official Gazette by Manorial Counsel's Solicitors, Hattons.



There is no such title as Lordship of Doddiscombe.

### The actual title is Lordship of Doddiscombsleigh.

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#### THE PARISH DETAILS

Town Barton is the historic Manor House also known as the Capital Messuage or Mansion House of Doddiscombsleigh. It has a fascinating history:

'Earliest records name a Saxon called Alsi as being the landowner of Doddiscombsleigh prior to 1066, he was later dispossessed as were virtually all the Saxon landowners. The first record of Town Barton is in the Domesday Book of 1086 when Doddiscombsleigh was known as Terra Godeboldi [no relation to the famous biscuit makers-Ed] under the reign of one Godbold the Bowman. Town Barton was the Capital Barton (Manor House) for Godbold's Domesday Estates. This makes it one of the very rare instances of a property truly being specifically traceable to where a Doomsday owner dwelt.

The **manor of Doddiscombsleigh** was also known as Legh-Peverel in church records of the 14th Century; the latter name was dropped when it changed hands from the Legh to the **Doddescomb** family. A Sir Ralph **Doddescomb** was living in the old mansion house in the reign of Henry III (1216-1272). Today, the old mansion is Town Barton lying adjacent to the church.

The Babb family purchased the manor and Mansion House sometime after 1522. Between 1524 and 1527, a John Babbe appears on the Subsidy Roll as by far the biggest landowner in Doddiscombsleigh. In 1620, a William Babb of Doddiscombsleigh tried to get his Coat of Arms recognised. He was turned down. Holding one of the most ancient of Devon properties going back to the Doomsday Book did not help the Babbs in their application. Nevertheless, they continued to use their Coat of Arms!

Sometime in the age of Edward III (1327-1377) the last male Doddescomb died, leaving

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five daughters. The Manor was divided up by marriage and thus, into the hands of five Lords – a figure that dropped to three by the early 1600's.

Research of the daughter's marriages and to trace the family line is very time consuming. The title finally appears to be divided to 3 daughters. It is a custom that a title is passed to the husband when a daughter is married, upon his death it is normally passed to the eldest son upon his death. If there are not any sons then it is passed to the daughter/s, if no children then generally a title is passed to a nephew. This is where tracing holders can be complex.

Nevertheless, as the title was divided between 3 daughters, the other thing we don't know is if one daughter (or daughter and her husband) purchased part of the title from another daughter/sister. What I can say is that there must be a holder within the family. Tracing a legal holder or those holders is time consuming to say the least.

It is for this reason that some platforms/companies take it upon themselves to take advantage of a title and sell it. All they are selling however is the title name. Nothing else as the holder of such a title does not own the history or historical documents held in archives and if a legal holder comes along and that legal holder can prove a better title, then legal action would undoubtably be taken.

## LORD OF THE MAROR OF DODDISCOMUSICION Doddiscombsleigh

**Doddiscombsleigh** (anciently *Doddescombe Leigh*) is a small settlement in <u>Devon</u>, England. It is 5 miles (8 km) southwest of the city of <u>Exeter</u> and one mile East of the <u>River Teign</u> and the Teign Valley. Along with a few other places in Devon, it is one of the longest place names in England with 16 letters.

## Geography

Despite its proximity to the city, the village is difficult to find, as it is surrounded by twisting-narrow-lanes and deep valleys, tucked away in the shelter of the <u>Haldon Hills</u>. The village is accessed via minor roads which are predominantly single track with passing places. The <u>A38</u> passes within 3 miles (5 km) at Haldon Hill. The <u>war memorial</u> has the OS grid reference SX 855 865 and, for <u>satnav</u> users, the postcode is EX6 7PS.

The parish is 2,391 acres in size.

Geologically, the village placed on the outer perimeter of the <u>metamorphic</u> <u>aureole</u> surrounding <u>Dartmoor</u>. There is a fault running along the valley in the region which became heavily mineralised with metalliferous ores. This made the area well known historically for its mining activities. In Doddiscombsleigh there were many <u>manganese</u> workings, and <u>Jasper</u> could be found.

#### PARISH CHURCH

The <u>C of E</u> parish church of St Michael is in the village and is a grade I <u>listed building</u>. St Michael's contains the greatest collection of medieval stained glass to be found in situany where in Devon, apart from that in the Great East Window of <u>Exeter Cathedral</u>. The panels in St Michael's, which were installed c1480, were all produced in the 15th century by the same glazing workshop as some of the glass at Exeter Cathedral.

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These panels left Exeter over five hundred years ago - around the time of the <u>Wars of the</u> <u>Roses</u> - transported out of the city during the late Middle Ages on a cart and hauled up and down the precipitous Haldon Hill, before being installed in the church for which they were made. And they remain there today, rare survivals of perhaps the most fragile of medieval art forms.

The church was extensively restored and rebuilt by the architect <u>Edward Ashworth</u> in the late 1870s.

#### **TOWN BARTON**

Town Barton - which lies between the church of St Michael and The NoBody Inn is the historic <u>Manor house</u>; also known as the Capital Messuage or Mansion House of Doddiscombsleigh. The current building in a 17th-century grade II listed building.

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Town Barton was renowned for its twenty acres of apple <u>orchards</u> which produced "remarkably fine <u>cider</u>", no doubt supplying the local <u>hostelries</u>.

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Sir John de Doddiscombe held Doddiscombe, Doddiscombsleigh (Legh, Legh Peverel), Rifton in Stoodleigh (Reston), Rawston in Bishop's Nympton (Reston, Retton), Lower Yalberton and Watton (Allebourn et Wadeton), Lowton Peverel (Lughedon), and Compton Pole, all co. Devon. The manor of 'Legh' or 'Leigh' as it was anciently known was called Legh Peverel when owned by the Peverel family, however, when it came to the Doddiscombe family by marriage it became known as Doddiscombsleigh. He is the presumed son of Ralph de Doddiscombe by Joan Peverel, who held Compton Pole, Lowton Peverel, and Yalberton and Watton in the Feudal Aids of 1303 .[i] [ii] Restton in 1346 was held by the heirs of John de Dodyscomb and this SAME John held it in 1303.<sup>[11]</sup>

John de Dodescumbe was appointed as an attorney for the archdeacon of Exeter on 18 December 1307.[iv] He presented to Doddiscombsleigh on 1309.[v] He was the collector of the 'tenth and sixth' tax of 1322.[vi]

The five daughters of John Doddiscombe are detailed in the IPM of his grandson <u>Otes</u> <u>Champernoun</u> as Agnes, Alice, Cecily, Emma and Elizabeth. "

John Doddiscombe (bef.1282-bef.1346) | WikiTree FREE Family Tree

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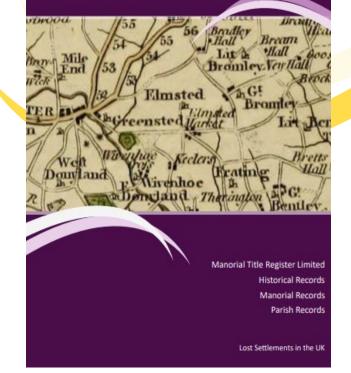
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