

# 1. Parish: Carlton

**Meaning:** Homestead/village of free men or peasants  
Or Karla/Karli's homestead/village (Ekwall)

**2. Hundred: Hoxne**

**Deanery:** Dunwich (1868), Dunwich (South) (1868-1914), S.  
Dunwich (1914-1972), Saxmundham (1972- )

**Union:** Blything

**RDC/UDC:** (E. Suffolk) Blything RD (1894-1934), Blyth RD (1934-  
1974), E. Suffolk Coastal DC (1974)

**Other administrative details:**

Abolished as civil parish to create Kelsale cum Carlton (1885)  
Abolished as ecclesiastical parish to create Kelsale cum Carlton (1844)  
Blything Petty Sessional Division  
Framlingham and Saxmundham County Court District

**3. Area:** 3,615 acres land, 5 acres water (1912) (includes Kelsale)

**4. Soils:**

Mixed: a) Slowly permeable calcareous/non calcareous clay  
soils, slight risk water erosion  
b) Slowly permeable, seasonally waterlogged clay and  
fine loam over clay soils, some calcareous

**5. Types of farming:**

1086		½ fishpond, 3 acres meadow, 1 cob, 170 sheep
1500–1640	Thirsk:	Wood-pasture region, mainly pasture, meadow, engaged in rearing and dairying with some pig-keeping, horse breeding and poultry. Crops mainly barley with some wheat, rye, oats, peas, vetches, hops and occasionally hemp
1818	Marshall:	Course of crops varies usually including summer fallow as preparation for corn products
1937	Main crops:	Wheat, barley, beans, peas, roots and pasture
1969	Trist:	More intensive cereal growing and sugar beet

**6. Enclosure:**

**7. Settlement:**

1984 The hamlet of Carlton was situated at Carlton Green close to the southern boundary with Saxmundham

**Inhabited houses:** 1674 – 17, 1801 – 16, 1851 – 26, 1871 – 24, 1901 – included with Kelsale

**8. Communications:**

Road: 1891 Carriers pass through to Woodbridge and Ipswich  
Rail: 1891 1 mile Saxmundham station: Saxmundham – Leiston – Aldburgh line, opened (1859), spur from Saxmundham to Leiston still operational carrying heavy goods for Sizewell power station  
Ipswich – Lowestoft line, opened (1859), still operational

**9. Population:**

1086 — 30 recorded  
1327 — 18 taxpayers paid £1. 14s. (includes Kelsale)  
1524 — 88 taxpayers paid £15. 3s. 2d.  
1603 — 64 adults  
1674 — 19 households  
1676 — Not recorded  
1801 — 108 inhabitants  
1831 — 130 inhabitants  
1851 — 128 inhabitants  
1871 — 118 inhabitants  
1901 — included with Kelsale

**10. Benefice: Rectory (with Kelsale) (1831)**

1254 Valued 10s.  
1291 Not recorded  
1535 Valued £3. 11s. 0½d.  
1831 No glebe house. Joint gross income £70. Incumbent also holds Rectories of Saxmundham and Thorington, Norfolk  
1844 58 acres glebe 2R 38P joint glebe. Joint modus of £714. 10s. p.a. in lieu of tithes (1843)  
1891 75 acres joint glebe. Rent charge of £130 in lieu of tithes for this parish  
1912 Joint nett income £460 p.a. 75 acres glebe and residence

Patrons: Feoffees of late Duke of Norfolk (1603), Lt. Col. Bruce (1831), J.B. Hart (1912)

- 11. Church St. Peter**  
 (Chancel, nave, S. porch, W. tower)
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|------------------------|---|
| Norman                 | Masonry in nave and chancel   |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> cent. | Main structure  |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> cent. | Tower   |
| 1643                   | Puritanical Vandals (William Dowsing) destroyed 10 superstitious pictures, 6 popish inscriptions in Brass and ordered steps to be leveled |
| 1872/87                | Restorations  |

**Seats:** 70 (1831)

**12. Nonconformity etc:**

**13. Manorial:**

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| 1066 | Manor of 1 carucate held by Edric Grim                       |
| 1086 | Manor of 1 carucate belonging to Count Alan and held by Hamo |
| 1066 | Manor of 80 acres held by Edric                              |
| 1086 | Manor of 80 acres belonging to Robert Malet                  |

**Carlton Manor**

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| 1281    | Alice, Countess of Norfolk owns                                   |
| 1334    | Prioress of Campsey acquired via fine against John de Framlingham |
| 1544    | William Hunnyng/Honing owns (linked to Kelsale and Hitcham)       |
| 1612/12 | John Holland owns (linked to Kelsale and Mendham)                 |
| 1620/21 | John Bence owns (linked to Heveningham, Kelsale and Cookley)      |

**14. Markets/Fairs**

**15. Real property:**

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| 1844 | £805 rental value     |
| 1891 | Assessed with Kelsale |
| 1912 | Assessed with Kelsale |

**16. Land ownership:**

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| 1844 | Edward Fuller, principle owner       |
| 1891 | 11 acres freehold, reminder copyhold |
| 1912 | Land sub-divided                     |

**17. Resident gentry:**

1679	Mrs. Osborne
1768	Osborne Fuller, High Sheriff of Suffolk
1844	Hon. C.A. Vanneck
1891	Capt. G.E. Price MP

**18. Occupations:**

1550–1599	2 yeomen, 1 husbandman
1600–1649	4 yeomen
1650–1699	3 yeomen, 1 house carpenter
1831	29 in agriculture, 1 in retail trade, 9 in domestic service
1844	4 farmers, beerhouse keeper, gamekeeper, bricklayer, thatcher
1912	Included with Kelsale

**19. Education:**

1833	1 daily school (15 attend)
1891	Children attend school in Kelsale

**20. Poor relief:**

1776	£34. 1s. 5d.	spent on poor relief
1803	£24. 4s. 8d.	spent on poor relief
1818	£98. 19s.	spent on poor relief
1830	£189. 15s.	spent on poor relief
1832	£257. 9s.	spent on poor relief
1834	£248. 6s.	spent on poor relief

**21. Charities:**

**Alcock's and Feveryare's Charity:**

1659 by bequests of Stephen Alcock and William Feveryare: £45 p.a. for purchase of land (2½ acres) let at £6 p.a. for distribution of bread and money on 5<sup>th</sup> November

**Eade's Gift:**

1716 by will of Stephen Eade: £8 p.a. shared equally with Kelsale for bread distribution and to aid the clothing fund

**Town Estate:**

1840 House and 36 acres let at £46 p.a. applied to church repairs and town charges

**22. Other institutions:**

**23. Recreation:**

1844            1 beerhouse

**24. Personal:**

**25. Other information:**

Town mill used as water tower (1974)

Carlton Hall: 18<sup>th</sup> cent. house, extensively damaged by fire (1941)

Extent of manor of Carlton (1600). PSIA Vol. 30 p.147

**Archaeological Sites**

Included with Kelsale