

1. Parish: Hargrave

Meaning: Hare's grove or grey grove

2. **Hundred:** Thingoe

Deanery: Thingoe (–1884), Horringer (Horningsheath) (1884–1972)

Union: Thingoe (1836–1907), Bury St Edmunds (1907–1930)

RDC/UDC: (W. Suffolk) Thingoe RD (1894–1974), St Edmundsbury DC (1974–)

Other administrative details:

Bury St Edmunds County Court District
Thingoe and Thedwastre Petty Sessional Division

3. **Area:** 1,781 acres (1912)

4. **Soils:** Slowly permeable calcareous/non calcareous clay soils, slight risk water erosion.

5. Types of farming:

1086		8 cattle, 40 pigs, 100 sheep, 4 acres meadow, wood for 16 pigs
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.
1660	Blome:	'being clay ground husbanded chiefly for the dairy' and 'fielding abounding with excellent corn of all sorts'.
1818	Marshall:	Course of crops varies usually including summer fallow as preparation for corn products.
1937	Main crops:	Wheat, barley, beans.
1969	Trist:	More intensive cereal growing and beans.

6. Enclosure:

7. Settlement:

1983 Scattered development. Three specific centres of occupation.

- Denham road (hall, church, rectory (extreme edge of village))
- Hargrave Green: farms

c. Little and Great Knowles Greens
 Scattered farms
Inhabited houses: 1674 – 21, 1801 – 46, 1851 – 99, 1871 – 99,
 1901 – 84, 1951 – 69, 1981 – 88

8. Communications:

Road: To Denham, Little Saxham and Wickhambrook
 Carrier from Bury St Edmunds on Wednesday and Saturday 1839.

Rail: 1891. 5 miles Higham station: Newmarket–Bury St. Edmunds
 line, opened 1854, station closed for goods 1964, closed for
 passengers 1967.

9. Population:

1086 – 19 recorded
 1327 – 21 taxpayers paid £2 0s. 3d.
 1524 – 17 taxpayers paid £0 13s. 0d.
 1603 – 80 adults
 1674 – 32 households
 1676 – 128 adults
 1801 – 324 inhabitants
 1831 – 394 inhabitants
 1851 – 489 inhabitants
 1871 – 480 inhabitants
 1901 – 337 inhabitants
 1931 – 264 inhabitants
 1951 – 238 inhabitants
 1971 – 239 inhabitants
 1981 – 249 inhabitants

10. Benefice: Rectory

1254 Valued £5 6s. 8d.
 Portion of St. Saviours 13s. 4d. £6 0s. 0d.
 1291 Valued £5 6s. 8d.
 1535 Valued £411s. 8d.
 1674 Parsonage has 3 hearths.
 1831 Glebe house unfit for occupation. Gross income £198 p.a.
 Incumbent holds Rectory of Chevington.
 Valued £188. 27 acres of glebe and small house.
 Yearly rent of £283 in lieu of tithes 1855.
 1912 Nett value £180. 26 acres of glebe and residence.

Patrons: Lady Kytson (1603), Rev. J. White (1831), Representatives of
 Rev. S. Chamberlain (1900), S.E.Miles (1912)

11. Church: St. Edmund
 (Chancel, nave, N. aisle, porch, W. tower)

1086 Church + 12 acres of free land

Norman	S. door, internal stoup
	S. porch, restoration (14 th cent.)
15 th /16 th cent.	Tower (plain Tudor brick)
1859	General restoration
1940	S. porch destroyed by bomb, not rebuilt

Seats: 40 appropriated, 230 free (1873)

12. Nonconformity etc:

1643	Richard Hart, rector of Hargrave: commission constituted for inquiry into 'scandalous ministers' resulted in the rector being driven out of the village by troopers
1675	2 persons nonconforming
1676	4 persons nonconforming
	3 persons set aside as 'Ruling Elders'
	Meeting held at place unknown and baptisms performed
	Methodists meet in barn c.1800
	1 person attending Barrow Congregational chapel 1896

13. Manorial:

Hargrave Manor

1066/1086	Estate of 4 carucates belonging to the Abbot of Bury St. Edmunds
1147	Papal Bull confirms possession by Abbot
1539	Sir Thomas Kytson owns (linked to Hengrave)
1726	Thomas Gage owns
c.1799	Hervey family, Earls of Bristol, own (linked to Ickworth)
1911	Marquis of Bristol owns

14. Markets/Fairs:

15. Real property:

1454	£2 11s. 8d. rateable value
1844	£2,159 rental value
1891	£1,759 rateable value
1912	£1,310 rateable value

16. Land ownership:

1844/1891	Land sub-divided
1912	Marquis of Bristol and Capt. E.F.Rhodes, principal owners.

17. Resident gentry:

1680	1 Baronet recorded
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18. Occupations:

1600–1700	Tailor, Wheelwright, yeoman
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1700–1800	Cordwainer
1831	77 in agriculture, 8 in retail trade, 1 professional, 13 in labouring, 5 in domestic service
1844	Bricklayer, blacksmith, milliners, shopkeepers, miller, thatcher, coal dealer/victualler, carpenters, farmers, shoemakers, brickmaker
1912	Farmers, miller, machinist, shopkeepers, publican

19. Education:

1818	1 small private school (23 attend) 1 Sunday school (16 girls attend)
1833	1 day school established 1823 (24 attend all fee paying) 1 day school established 1829 (8 attend at expense of rector) 2 Sunday schools supported by rector (18 attend) Public Elementary school built 1840, enlarged 1878 and 1910, average attendance 1912 55 1 daily school, 1 Sunday school, 1 evening school 1876

20. Poor relief:

1776	£83 3s. 11d.
1803	£249 10s. 2½d.
1818	£429 2s. 0d.
1830	£482 10s. 0d.
1832	£433 7s. 0d.
1834	£353 12s. 0d.

21. Charities:

Deynes Charity:

1855	Sum for annual distribution in money
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Kytson's Gift

16s. p.a. given by Lady Kytson for distribution
6 pairs of stockings given per years for 6 old men

Jervis' Charity:

1895	18s. p.a. for distribution in money
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Kirk's Charity:

Rent from 2 cottages for distribution (cottages demolished 1855)

22. Other institutions:

23. Recreation:

1844	1 beer retailer and The Bull public house
1874–1912	The Cocks Head and The Bull public house

24. Personal:

25. Other information:

Remains of moat south of Hargrave Green