

1. Parish: Hemingstone

Meaning: Heming's homestead/village

2. Hundred: Bosmere (-1327), Bosmere and Claydon

Deanery: Bosmere (-1914), Claydon (1914-1972), Bosmere (1972-)

Union: Bosmere and Claydon

RDC/UDC: Bosmere and Claydon R.D. (1894-1934), Gipping RD (1934-1974), Mid. Suffolk D.C. (1974)

Other administrative details:

Bosmere and Claydon Petty Sessional Division
Ipswich County Court District

3. Area: 1,449 acres (1912)

4. Soils:

Mixed: a. Slowly permeable calcareous/non calcareous clay soils, slight risk water erosion
b. Stoneless clay soils mostly overlying peat by river, variably affected by groundwater, risk of localised flooding

5. Types of farming:

1086		8 acres meadow, wood for 2 pigs, 1 cob, 1 cattle, 20 sheep, 20 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
1818	Marshall:	Course of crops varies usually including summer fallow as preparation for corn products
1937	Main crops:	Barley, beans, wheat
1969	Trist:	More intensive cereal growing and sugar beet

6. Enclosure:

7. Settlement:

1958 Line of Roman road forms part of SE boundary running NE-SW
Shrublands Park intrudes into parish in western sector.
Small ribbon type development along Gosbeck-Henley Road. Church situated separately to the west.
Scattered farms.

Inhabited houses: 1674 – 24, 1801 – 37, 1851 – 83,
1871 – 76, 1901 – 61, 1951 – 69,
1981 – 64

8. Communications:

Road: To Gosbeck, Henley, Coddensham and Barham
1891/1912 Carriers to Ipswich Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

Rail: 1891 3 miles Claydon station: Ipswich-Bury St. Edmunds
line opened 1845, station closed 1963

9. Population:

1086 – 67 recorded
1327 – 25 taxpayers paid £1 16s. 10d.
1524 – 16 taxpayers paid £1 4s. 2d.
1603 – 72 adults
1674 – 27 households
1676 – Not recorded
1801 – 253 inhabitants
1831 – 342 inhabitants
1851 – 398 inhabitants
1871 – 342 inhabitants
1901 – 239 inhabitants
1931 – 222 inhabitants
1951 – 227 inhabitants
1971 – 184 inhabitants
1981 – 177 inhabitants

10. Benefice:

1254 Valued £10
1291 Valued £16 13s. 4d.
1535 Valued £8 11s. 5½d
Incumbent also holds benefice of Feltham 1597
1603 Valued £8 9s. Incumbent also holds Feltham, Norfolk

10. Benefice (cont'd)

1831 Glebe house. Gross income £382 p.a.
Modus of £369 5s. 5d. in lieu of tithes (1837)
1844 70 acres 2R 2OP glebe
1912 Nett value £237 p.a. 66 acres glebe and residence

Patrons: Samuel Aylmer (1603), Sir W.F.F. Middleton (1831),
Lady de Saumarez (1912)

11. Church St. Gregory

(Combined chancel and nave, 2 N.porches, W. tower)

1086 Church + 3 acres land, valued 6d.
½ church + 21 acres land, valued 6d.

Anglo-
Saxon work Visible at SW angle
14th/15th
cent. Main structure
1773 Church repaired

: Seats: 200 (1915)

Chapel: Chapel for priest to offer prayers for soul of Richard
formerly Dean of Coddendam 1241

12. Nonconformity etc:

2 persons hear divine service in newly built house but do
not attend church

3 persons do not attend church 1597

13. Manorial:

1066 Manor of 1 carucate held by Leofric a free man
1086 Manor of 1 carucate belonging to Isaac
1066 Manor of 100 acres held by Wulfmer a free man under
Patronage of Edric
1086 Manor of 100 acres belonging to Hervey of Bourges and
held by Reginald

Hemingstone Manor:

12th cent. Rowland le Fartere owns
12th cent. Jeffrey de Afleton owns
1234 William de Rus owns
1316 John de Bacun owns (linked to Gorleston)

15th cent. Thomas Brewse owns
1764 Richard Colville owns
1839 Mileson Edgar owns (linked to Coddendam, Westerfield,
Witnesham, Wickhambrook and Badingham)

14. Markets/Fairs

15. Real property:

1844 £1,789 rental value
1891 £1,796 rateable value
1912 £1,433 rateable value

16. Land ownership:

1844–1912 Land sub-divided

17. Resident gentry:

1679 William Styles and Oliver Thorne
1844 Rev. T. Brown BA
1891 Rev. W.J. Chapman BA and Col. T.W. Haines JP
1912 Rev. W.J. Chapman BA

18. Occupations:

1550–1599 2 yeomen
1600–1649 8 yeomen, 4 husbandmen
1650–1699 3 yeomen, 1 weaver, 2 spinsters, 1 woollen weaver
1831 49 in agriculture, 10 in retail trade, 3 professionals,
24 in domestic service, 6 others
1844 Shoemaker/shopkeeper, shoemaker, tailor, blacksmith,
wheelwright, 10 farmers
1912 Sub-postmaster, 13 farmers, carrier, boot/shoemaker,
asst. overseer, blacksmith, grocer/baker

19. Education:

1818 1 day and Sunday school (30 attend)
1833 1 Sunday school established 1826 (46 attend)
School built 1849, 32 attend 1891
1912 Children attend school at Gosbeck

20. Poor relief:

1776	£84 9s. 8d.
1803	£110 12s. 1½d.
1818	£321 12s.
1830	£359 11s.
1832	£437 2s.
1834	£290 17s.

21. Charities:

22. Other institutions:

23. Recreation:

24. Personal:

Hemingstone Hall: Red brick mansion with shaped gables built by William Style c.1625, extended by 2 bays to the right 18th cent.

Stonehall/Stone Hall: Room at top of house believed to be former chapel. 'Old Communion cloth at Hemingstone', East Anglian Notes and Queries, New Series Vol.IV, p.145.

Extract from parish register regarding family of Blomfield. East Anglian Notes and Queries, New Series Vol.IV, p.137.

25. Other information: