

1. Parish: Little Glemham

Meaning: Meadow/enclosure by River Glem or Merry enclosure (Ekwall)

2. Hundred: Plomesgate

Deanery: Orford (-1914), Saxmundham (1914-)

Union: Plomesgate

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

Other administrative details:

Abolished ecclesiastically (1803) to create Great Glemham with Little Glemham

Framlingham Petty Sessional Division

Framlingham and Saxmundham County Court District

3. Area: 1,277 acres land, 8 acres water (1912)

4. Soils:

- Mixed:**
- a) Deep, fine loam soils, slowly permeable subsoils, slight seasonal waterlogging. Fine loams over clay or with sandy soils
 - b) Deep peat soils associated with clay over sandy soils, in part very acid. High groundwater levels, risk of flooding

5. Types of farming:

1086		4½ acres meadow
1500–1640	Thirsk:	Sheep corn region, where sheep are main fertilizing agent, bred for fattening. Barley main cash crop. Also has similarities with wood-pasture region with pasture, meadow, dairying and some pig-keeping.
1818	Marshall:	Management varies with condition of sandy soils. Rotation usually turnip, barley, clover, wheat or turnips as preparation for corn and grass.
1937	Main crops:	Oats, peas, wheat, roots, barley, some pasture

1969 Trist: Barley and sugar beet are the main crops with some rye grown on poorer lands and a little wheat, herbage seeds and carrots

6. Enclosure:

7. Settlement:

1983 River Ore forms natural boundary to south. Small compact development on edge of Glemham Park. Church situated within the Park.

Inhabited houses: 1674 – 20, 1801 – 41, 1851 – 68, 1871 – 68, 1901 – 60, 1951 – 67, 1981 – 62

8. Communications:

Road: Roads to Stratford St. Andrew, Marlesford and Blaxhall
1844 Coach and carriers pass through to Ipswich and Yarmouth
1891 carrier passes through to Woodbridge and Ipswich on Monday and Thursday
Rail: 1891 1 mile Marlesford station: Wickham Market – Framlingham line opened (1859), closed for passengers (1952), closed for goods (1965)
Water: River Ore

9. Population:

1086 — 4 recorded (includes Domesday vill of Beversham)
1327 — 30 taxpayers paid £1. 18s. 10d. (includes Stratford)
1524 — 22 taxpayers paid £4. 5s. 10d.
1603 — 84 adults
1674 — 30 households
1676 — Not recorded
1801 — 319 inhabitants
1831 — 361 inhabitants
1851 — 318 inhabitants
1871 — 268 inhabitants
1901 — 243 inhabitants
1931 — 227 inhabitants
1951 — 210 inhabitants
1971 — 199 inhabitants
1981 — 164 inhabitants

10. Benefice: Rectory (with Great Glemham)

1254 Valued £6.
1291 Valued £3. 6s. 8d.

	Portion to Abbot of Colchester 10s. <u>£3. 16s. 8d.</u>
1535	Valued £6.
1603	Valued £6. Incumbent also holds Dallinghoo.
1831	Glebe house. Joint gross income £329 p.a. Incumbent also holds rectory of Marlesford. Rectory house built (circa 1844)
1844	6 acres glebe. Tithes commuted for £305 p.a.
1912	Joint nett value £250. 7 acres glebe and residence.

Patrons:

Sir Henrie Glemham (1603), Hon. Mrs. North (1831), Earl of Guilford (1891)

11. Church St. Andrew
(Chancel, nave, transepts, south porch, west tower)

1086	Probably included among the churches mentioned under Great Glemham.
Norman	North doorway
14/15 th cent.	Main structure
18 th cent.	Brick chancel, gothicized (19 th cent.)
1858	Restoration
1884	Organ chamber added

Seats: 150 (1915)

12. Nonconformity etc:

1597	Incumbent does not wear surplice
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13. Manorial:

Glemham Parva

13 th cent.	Sir William de Kerdeston owns
1355	Bartholomew Burghersh, Lord Berghersh owns (linked to Campsey Ash, Carlton Colville, Clopton, Henley and Swilland)
Circa 1369	Sir John Phelip owns (linked to Kettlebaston)
1545	Sir Richard Fulmerston owns (linked to Cretingham, Elveden and Brundish)
Circa 1549	Christopher Glemham owns
1855	Hon. Sophia North owns
1909	Frederick George North, 8 th Earl of Guildford owns

Sub-Manors:

Beversham Manor

Domesday vill of Beversham:

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| 1066 | Manor of 60 acres held by Aelfric under patronage of Abbot of Ely. |
| 1086 | Manor of 60 acres belonging to Hervey of Boulges |
| 14 th cent. | William Phelip owns |
| 16 th cent. | Sir John Glemham owns (linked to Farnham)
(subsequently absorbed by main manor) |

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Circa 1513 Sir John Glemham owns (subsequently absorbed by main manor)

14. Markets/Fairs

15. Real property:

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| 1844 | £1,545 rental value |
| 1891 | £1,919 rateable value |
| 1912 | £1,441 rateable value |

16. Land ownership:

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| 1844 | hon. Sophia North, sole owner |
| 1891/1912 | Earl of Guildford, principle owner |

17. Resident gentry:

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| 1674 | Lady Glemham occupies house with 22 hearths |
| 1679 | Thomas Glemham
Glemham: Chaloner Arcedeckne, High Sheriff of Suffolk (1797) |
| 1844 | Hon. Mrs. Sophia North and Rev. R.M. White MA |
| 1891 | Rev. W. Hooper MA and Lady North |
| 1912 | Rev. E.S. King MA |

18. Occupations:

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| 1550–1599 | 2 husbandmen, 1 labourer, 1 glover |
| 1600–1649 | 2 yeomen, 3 husbandmen, 1 inn holder |
| 1650–1699 | 3 yeomen, 1 sack cloth weaver, 1 clerk |
| 1831 | 55 in agriculture, 18 in retail trade, 2 professionals, 13 in domestic service, 7 others |
| 1844 | House steward, butcher, schoolmistress, blacksmith, wine/spirit/porter merchant, grocer/draper, corn miller, boot/shoemaker, wheelwright, tailor, victualler, 3 farmers |
| 1912 | Sub-postmaster, schoolmistress, estate carpenter, gamekeeper, grocer/draper, pork butcher, blacksmith, 2 farmers, gardener, miller, publican |

19. Education:

1833 2 daily schools (38 attend)
1844 School mistress recorded
1891 School housed in thatched brick building (65 attend)
Public Elementary school built (1855), average
attendance (1912) 55

20. Poor relief:

1776	£56. 9s. 3d.	spent on poor relief
1803	£279. 10s. 5d.	spent on poor relief
1818	£360. 1s.	spent on poor relief
1830	£371. 18s.	spent on poor relief
1832	£351. 10s.	spent on poor relief
1834	£355. 1s.	spent on poor relief

21. Charities:

1891 House built by the Glemham family (18th cent.) for use of
poor let at £10 p.a. which is applied with the poor rate.

22. Other institutions:

23. Recreation:

1642 Inn holder recorded
1844/1891 The Red Lion public house
1912 The Lion public house

24. Personal:

Sir Thomas Glemham (17th cent.) fought as Royalist in Civil Wars,
governor of York, defended Carlisle, imprisoned after the
war and exiled to Holland where he died (1649). Remains
interred within the parish church of Little Glemham.
'Sir Thomas Glemham of Little Glemham Hall'.
Occasional Papers on 17th cent. Studies. Series 1 No.3(a)
(1988)

North family: Earls of Guildford

Sir Dudley North, Sheriff of London (1683)

'North's Lives' 3 volumes (1826)

Autobiography of Hon. Roger North. Edited by A. Jessop
(1887)

'Honourable actions of Edward Glemham' (1591) Suffolk Tracts Vol.2

25. Other information:

Glemham Hall: red brick mansion built (circa 1715-25), rebuilding of Tudor House. Contains rainwater heads (1717, 1722). Contains portions of original Elizabethan house. The interior still possesses original panelling (circa 1725), upper rooms contain Elizabethan panelling.

'Manuscripts preserved at Glemham Hall'. Historical Manuscripts Commission Vol. IV p.175 (1907)

Among these is the warrant for sentencing on Lord William Russell for high treason. This commutes his sentence to simple decapitation.

'Bishop Wren and his candidates for confirmation at little Glemham' (1636). East Anglian Notes and Queries New Series Vol. VII p.129.

Archaeological Sites

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