

Moated Sites in Surrey: a provisional List

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Moated sites comprise an important class of field monument. At present the precise intention behind the provision of a moat is not clear and this problem demands further study. Although a small minority of moated sites may be of post-medieval origin, in general the presence of a moat is the simplest single indicator of the probable location of a medieval manor or farm. Un-moated manor or farm sites are usually very difficult to locate although they are sometimes identifiable from the presence of other earthworks, as at Preston Hawe, Banstead; Alsted, Merstham; or Flanchford, Reigate. In a few cases, such as at Brooklands, Weybridge, medieval sites, unmarked by moat or earthwork, have been located by chance. At other sites, perhaps more commonly, standing post-medieval buildings prevent the identification of the precise site of the medieval farm.

The following list of moated sites in the historic county is subject to correction and addition but supersedes lists recently published in Surrey Archaeological Society *Bulletins*. Many of the sites listed no longer have any visible remains and it is certain that there are many more destroyed sites awaiting rediscovery. It is also probable that a number of moated sites identifiable in the field still await discovery - a handful of well preserved sites and a larger number of others have been identified in the County since the Second World War.

Moated sites are vulnerable and the Moated Sites Research Group has been formed to compile a national index of sites and to encourage further research. Any individuals or groups willing to undertake field work or documentary research in connection with this problem are asked to contact the writer.

Key to lists:

VCH —site noted in *VCH Surrey*, usually in the list in Vol. 4 (or in the footnote to the list) but occasionally elsewhere in the text without appearing in the list in Vol. 4.

SAM —the site is a scheduled ancient monument under the Ancient Monument Acts.

Certain and Probable Sites

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| ABINGER | Near Broadstone Farm TQ 117 365 VCH |
| ALFOLD | Near Springbok Farm (formerly Alfold Park) TQ 03 34? Listed in Johnston's <i>Schedule of</i> |

antiquities in the County of Surrey, 1913

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| | Wildwood Copse TQ 050 352 VCH |
| ARTINGTON | See Guildford, St. Nicholas |
| ASH | Manor Farm SU 901 504 VCH |
| ASHTED | Moat Field c TQ 180 590 Field name evidence only |
| BARNES | Barn Elms c TQ 226 765 Documentary evidence |
| BETCHWORTH | Moat House Farm TQ 202 487 VCH |
| BLECHINGLEY & HORNE | Bysshe Court TQ 335 430 Rectory (Brewer Street) TQ 323 518 Lodge Farm TQ 337 470 VCH SAM |
| BURSTOW | Burstow Lodge TQ 314 441 VCH Cogmans Farm TQ 325 446 Court Lodge TQ 312 413 VCH Rectory TQ 311 412 VCH Excavated 1963 SyAC 63, 51-66 Rede Hall TQ 319 415 VCH |
| CAPEL | Benham Castle TQ 17 40 Blackhawes TQ 17 40? |
| CHARLWOOD | Charlwood House TQ 263 398 VCH Charlwood Place TQ 243 418 VCH Gatwick Manor Inn (formerly Hydehurst Farm) TQ 271 393 Near Moat Farm TQ 266 447 VCH Excavated 1963-5 SyAC 71, 57-87 Rectory TQ 240 411 Map evidence only |
| CHELSHAM | Ledgers Farm TQ 380 588 VCH |
| CHERTSEY | Abbey TQ 041 671 Botleys TQ 026 650 VCH Hamm Court Farm TQ 067 654 VCH Hardwick Court Farm TQ 027 659 Moated Farm TQ 050 634 VCH |
| CHOBHAM | Chobham Park Farm SU 986 627 VCH Old Vicarage site SU 967 618 |
| COBHAM | Downside Farm TQ 118 582 VCH |
| COOMBE | Near Coombe House TQ 212 697 VCH |
| CRANLEIGH | Near Pollingford TQ 079 364 Rectory TQ 059 392 VCH Vachery TQ 068 367 VCH |
| CROWHURST | Crowhurst Place TQ 386 463 VCH |

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| DUNSFOLD | No name SU 993 350 |
| EFFINGHAM | Great Lee TQ 107 548 <i>VCH</i> SAM Excavated 1952 <i>Proc. Leatherhead DLHS</i> 1/9 |
| EGHAM | Great Fosters TQ 013 696 <i>VCH</i> Old Vicarage TQ 017 711 <i>VCH</i> Excavated 1969 |
| ELSTEAD | Near Westbrook Farm c SU 900 436 <i>VCH</i> |
| EPSOM | Horton Manor TQ 191 614 <i>VCH</i> |
| ESHER | Esher Place c TQ 132 652 <i>VCH</i> Winterhouse Farm TQ 122 637 <i>VCH</i> |
| EWHURST | Near Maybanks TQ 086 350 <i>VCH</i> |
| FARLEIGH | Farleigh Court TQ 371 601 <i>VCH</i> |
| FARNHAM | Badshot Lea SU 865 484 <i>VCH</i> Excavated 1965-7 <i>SyAS Bulletin</i> 25 and <i>SyAC</i> 67, 104 |
| GODSTONE | Near Flower Farm TQ 355 525 SAM Gatehouse Farm TQ 365 432 Map evidence only Hedgecourt TQ 362 407 Lagham Manor TQ 373 480 <i>VCH</i> SAM Excavations current |
| GOMSHALL | See Shere |
| GREAT BOOKHAM | Eastwick Hall TQ 136 553 <i>VCH</i> |
| GUILDFORD | Guildford Park SU 969 493 <i>VCH</i> |
| ST. NICHOLAS | Excavations current <i>SyAC</i> 70, 155-6; 71, 278-9 |
| HASLEMERE | Great Stootley c SU 890 336 Field name evidence only |
| HORLEY | Court Lodge Farm TQ 273 431 Excavated 1966-7 <i>SyAC Bulletin</i> 26 & 39 Lake TQ 296 444 Horley Lodge TQ 278 458 |
| HORNE | See Blechingley |
| LAMBETH | Moat House, Stockwell TQ 304 764 |
| LEATHERHEAD | Pachesham Manor TQ 154 578 <i>VCH</i> SAM Excavated 1948-50 <i>Proc. Leatherlead DLHS</i> 1/1 & 1/2 |
| LEIGH | Leigh Place TQ 224 472 <i>VCH</i> Herons Head Farm TQ 222 450 Parkhouse Farm TQ 217 443 |
| LIMPSFIELD | Batchelors Farm TQ 426 484 Moat Farm TQ 425 506 <i>VCH</i> |

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| LINGFIELD | Old Surrey Hall TQ 420 399 VCH Sterborough Castle TQ 425 440 VCH |
| LONG DITTON | Tolworth Court TQ 203 651 VCH |
| MERSTHAM | Albury TQ 293 527 VCH SAM |
| MERTON | Merton Place TQ 260 700 West Barnes TQ 226 685 Map evidence only |
| MORDEN | Morden Hall TQ 259 686 |
| NEWDIGATE | Cudworth TQ 211 418 VCH |
| NEWINGTON | Rectory TQ 319 789 |
| OCKHAM | Ockham Court TQ 055 580 VCH Yew Farm TQ 088 571 |
| OCKLEY | Near Oakdale Farm TQ 157 378 VCH |
| PIRBRIGHT | Pirbright Manor SU 942 556 |
| PYRFORD | Pyrford Place TQ 052 585 VCH |
| RICHMOND | Richmond Palace TQ 174 748 Excavated 1972 <i>Post-Med. Arch.</i> 9 (1975), 103-116 |
| SEND | Old Hall TQ 034 552 VCH SAM |
| SHALFORD | Near Manor Farm TQ 014 474 Trial excavation 1962 <i>SyAS Rept for 1962</i> , 9 |
| SHEEN | See Richmond |
| SHERE | Towerhill Manor House, Gomshall TQ 085 475 |
| STOKE NEXT GUILDFORD | Stoughton Grange or Place SU 987 519 VCH |
| TANDRIDGE | Near Moat Farm TQ 374 457 VCH |
| THORPE | Thorpelee Farm TQ 016 702 VCH |
| TOLWORTH | See Long Ditton |
| TOOTING | Franciscan Road TQ 278 712 |
| WALTON-ON-THAMES | Weylands Farm TQ 128 649 VCH 'Brigadier Watkins' House' Position unknown |
| WEYBRIDGE | Oatlands Palace TQ 079 651 Excavated 1968 <i>SyAC</i> 66, 1-9 |
| WIMBLEDON | Old Rectory TQ 244 715 VCH |
| WITLEY | South Park SU 916 355 VCH SAM |

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| WOKING | Westfield TQ 012 562 Field name and map evidence Woking Park TQ 029 570 <i>VCH</i> SAM |
| WONERSH | Great Tangley Manor TQ 019 465 <i>VCH</i> |
| WORPLESDON | Near Frosbury Farm SU 970 522 Field name and map evidence |
| Doubtful Sites | |
| ARTINGTON | See Guildford, St. Nicholas |
| BERMONDSEY | Jacobs Street TQ 341 798 Map evidence only |
| BLECHINGLEY & HORN | North Park TQ 334 521 Stantons Hall TQ 366 444 |
| BURSTOW | Burstow Park TQ 319 473 Crullings (formerly Smallfields Place) TQ 326 431 <i>VCH</i> Dowlands Farm TQ 329 418 |
| CAPEL | Temple Elfold TQ 191 398 <i>VCH</i> |
| CARSHALTON | Rotherfield Road TQ 283 645 Map evidence only |
| CHARLWOOD | Charlwood Park Farm TQ 262 415 Gatwick House TQ 273 422 <i>VCH</i> Possibly garden feature No name TQ 274 427 Site too small for MMS? |
| CHESSINGTON | The Grapsome TQ 170 636 Only narrow ditches Excavated 1974 <i>SyAC</i> 71, p. 282-3 |
| CHIPSTEAD | Noke Farm c TQ 279 569 |
| COULSDON | Tollers Farm c TQ 308 572 |
| CROWHURST | Ardenrun Place TQ 380 459 Pikes Farm TQ 393 465 |
| EGHAM | Imworth TQ 014 715 |
| GODSTONE | Prickle Shaw TQ 351 481 |
| GUILDFORD ST. NICHOLAS | Loseley SU 974 471 <i>VCH</i> Possibly post-medieval garden feature |
| HASLEMERE | Imbhams Farm SU 925 337 <i>VCH</i> |
| HORLEY | Langshott Manor TQ 295 440 |
| HORNE | See Blechingley |
| LAMBETH | Palace TQ 307 791 |

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| LINGFIELD | Puttenden Manor TQ 409 454 |
| MERTON | Near Rectory TQ 250 694 |
| MITCHAM | The Cannons TQ 279 683 Mitcham Hall TQ 274 683 Ravensbury TQ 266 681 |
| NEWINGTON | Walworth Manor Position unknown |
| PUTTENHAM | Shoelands SU 913 476 <i>VCH</i> Possibly garden feature |
| TANDRIDGE | Newhouse Farm TQ 377 497 |
| THORPE | Spelthorne St. Mary TQ 023 687 |
| TITSEY | Near Titsey Place Position unknown |
| WEYBRIDGE | Near Plough Bridge Farm TQ 071 611 Map evidence only |
| WIMBLEDON | Burlington Road TQ 240 717 |
| WOKING | Hoe Place TQ 020 574 Map evidence only |