

## Lee Moor

Lee Moor is located within West Devon local authority area. You can look for other material on the community by using the place search on the main local studies database. Further historical information is also available on the Genuki website.

## Maps

The image below is of the Lee Moor area on Donn's one inch to the mile survey of 1765.



- On the County Series Ordnance Survey mapping the area is to be found on 1:2,500 sheet 118/7,118/8
- Six inch (1:10560) sheet 118NE
- The National Grid reference for the centre of the area is SX573619
- On the post 1945 National Grid Ordnance Survey mapping the sheets are:
  - Six inch to a mile (1:10,000) sheet SX56SE
  - Outdoor Leisure (1:25,000) mapping sheet 20
  - Landranger (1:50,000) mapping sheet 202
- Geological sheet 349 also covers the area

**Extract from Devon by W.G.Hoskins (1954)**, included by kind permission of the copyright holder:

On Lee Moor, in the parish of Shaugh Prior, is the only example yet found on Dartmoor of a chambered hut of pre-Roman Iron Age date, a type of dwelling which is better known in Cornwall.

## **Lewtrenchard**

Lewtrenchard is located within West Devon local authority area. Historically it formed part of Lifton Hundred. It falls within Tavistock Deanery for ecclesiastical purposes. The Deaneries are used to arrange the typescript Church Notes of B.F.Cresswell which are held in the Westcountry Studies Library.

The population was 154 in 1801 257 in 1901. Figures for other years are available on the local studies website. In 1641/2 60 adult males signed the Protestation returns.

A parish history file is held in Tavistock Library. You can look for other material on the community by using the place search on the main local studies database. Further historical information is also available on the Genuki website.

## **Maps**

The image below is of the Lewtrenchard area on Donn's one inch to the mile survey of 1765.



- On the County Series Ordnance Survey mapping the area is to be found on 1:2,500 sheet 87/11
- Six inch (1:10560) sheet 87SE
- The National Grid reference for the centre of the area is SX457861
- On the post 1945 National Grid Ordnance Survey mapping the sheets are:
  - Six inch to a mile (1:10,000) sheet SX48NE
  - Explorer (1:25,000) mapping sheet 112
  - Landranger (1:50,000) mapping sheet 201
- Geological sheet 337 also covers the area

**Extract from Devon by W.G.Hoskins (1954)**, included by kind permission of the copyright holder:

Lew Trenchard is chiefly notable as the parish of the Rev. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924), one of the best known of all Devonshire 'parsons, who was rector here for 43 years. He was one of the last of the "squarsons," a hymn-writer, theologian, antiquary, novelist, and musician, who published over a hundred volumes. Among

his many achievements he collected the old folk songs of Devon and (with Cecil Sharp) published them. His two volumes of *Reminiscences* are very readable.

The church (St. Peter) is mainly an over-restored 15th century building. The woodwork is, however, notable. The medieval rood-screen was destroyed by Baring-Gould's grandfather in 1833, but Baring-Gould collected the fragments as a boy and had it reconstructed in 1899. It is a fine example of modern carving. The pulpit, modelled on the ancient pulpits of Kenton and Launceston, was added in 1900. The church contains some carved Tudor bench-ends, and many of good modern workmanship. There are several Gould memorials, mostly incised slate slabs from the early 17th century onwards. Lew House and estate were bought by the Goulds in 1625. The house is partly of that period, but was much restored by Baring-Gould out of the proceeds of his copious books. The Dower House by the river Lew is dated 1664.

## **Lifton**

Lifton is located within West Devon local authority area. Historically it formed part of Lifton Hundred. It falls within Tavistock Deanery for ecclesiastical purposes. The Deaneries are used to arrange the typescript Church Notes of B.F.Cresswell which are held in the Westcountry Studies Library.

The population was 843 in 1801 942 in 1901. Figures for other years are available on the local studies website. In 1641/2 200 adult males signed the Protestation returns.

A parish history file is held in Tavistock Library. You can look for other material on the community by using the place search on the main local studies database. Further historical information is also available on the Genuki website.

## **Maps**

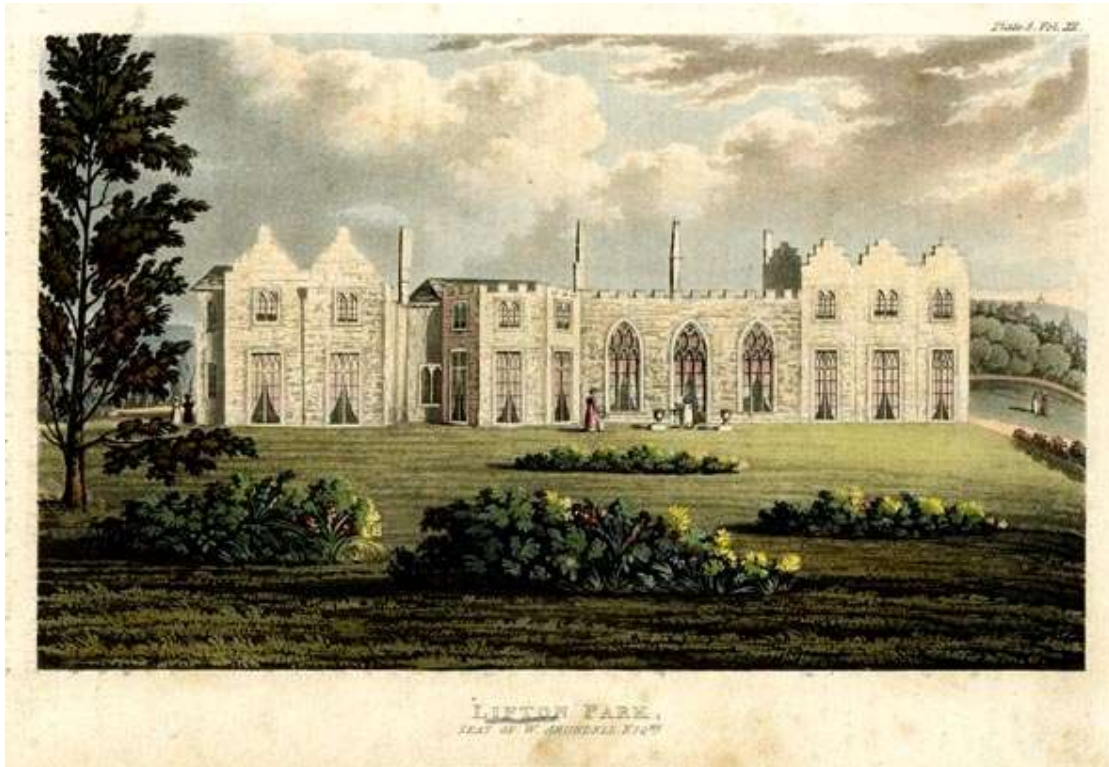
The image here is of the Lifton area on Donn's one inch to the mile survey of 1765.



- On the County Series Ordnance Survey mapping the area is to be found on 1:2,500 sheet 86/16
- Six inch (1:10560) sheet 86SE
- The National Grid reference for the centre of the area is SX387851
- On the post 1945 National Grid Ordnance Survey mapping the sheets are:
  - Six inch to a mile (1:10,000) sheet SX38NE,SX38SE
  - Explorer (1:25,000) mapping sheet Explorer 112
  - Landranger (1:50,000) mapping sheet 201
- Geological sheet 337 also covers the area

## **Illustrations**

The image below is of Lifton as included in the Library's illustrations collection. Other images can be searched for on the local studies catalogue.



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Lifton was undoubtedly one of the earliest villages to be founded in West Devon by the Saxons, and was of considerable military importance, being within a mile of the Tamar and the Cornish frontier. It is the *Liwtune* referred to in King Alfred's will 880-5, and it also appears to be the *Leowtun* where Athelstan held his court in November 931. (P.N.D., 188n. Also D.A. 63 (1931) 354-6.)

Ashleigh was a Domesday manor, later a medieval mansion, and now a farmhouse. Wortham was also a medieval mansion and remains substantially unchanged to this day. Part of it may date from the 14th century, but it is mostly late 1st to early 16th century, reconstructed internally in the early 17th century, as so often happened, when the medieval hall-house was converted into something warmer and more convenient. The house has recently been rescued from its decay as a farmhouse and well restored. Other ancient farms are Tinhay and Gatherley, both recorded before 1200. Lifton Park is comparatively modern, the house dating only from 1815 and later. It commands beautiful views of the Tamar valley and the Cornish hills. Smallacombe, now a farmhouse, has doorways of 1st century granite. The house was modernised in the early 18th century (in brick) and "turned around" to face the other way.

The church (St. Mary) is a 15th century building, badly restored in 1871. There are some traces of 14th century work and there is a magnificent late 12th century font. The monuments are interesting: (1) to John Dynham of Wortham (1641) and his wife Margaret (1649); (2) a splendid monument to the Harrises of Hayne, 1590, 1618,

1631, repaired and beautified by their descendants in the 18th century; (3) an incised brass to John Harris of Hayne, 1657.

## Little Torrington

Little Torrington is located within Torrington local authority area. Historically it formed part of Shebbear Hundred. It falls within Torrington Deanery for ecclesiastical purposes. The Deaneries are used to arrange the typescript Church Notes of B.F.Cresswell which are held in the Westcountry Studies Library.

The population was 449 in 1801 407 in 1901. Figures for other years are available on the local studies website. In 1641/2 116 adult males signed the Protestation returns.

A parish history file is held in Torrington Library. You can look for other material on the community by using the place search on the main local studies database. Further historical information is also available on the Genuki website.

## Maps

The image below is of the Little Torrington area on Donn's one inch to the mile survey of 1765.



- On the County Series Ordnance Survey mapping the area is to be found on 1:2,500 sheet 26/16
- Six inch (1:10560) sheet 29SE
- The National Grid reference for the centre of the area is SS491169
- On the post 1945 National Grid Ordnance Survey mapping the sheets are:
  - 1:10,000 (six inch to a mile: sheet SS41NE
  - 1:25,000 mapping: sheet Explorer 126
  - Landranger (1:50,000) mapping: sheet 180
- Geological sheet 307 also covers the area.

**Extract from Devon by W.G.Hoskins (1954)**, included by kind permission of the copyright holder:

Torrington, Little stands high and commands fine views of the Torrington valley. The church (St. Giles) is dull, mostly rebuilt and enlarged in 1857 and later. The parish contains a number of interesting farmhouses. Frizenham, Hollam, and Smytham, are

all mentioned in Domesday Book (1086). Woodland, the home of a branch of the Coplestones from the late 15th century until the end of the 18th, is essentially a medieval hall-house, remodelled in the late 16th century it is a good example of a small squire's house, and is of considerable antiquarian interest.

Taddiport is a hamlet beside the Torridge, which is here crossed by a massive three-arched bridge, possibly of 17th century date. A chapel, attached to a leper hospital founded in the 13th century, still remains, though considerably altered.



## **Littleham**

Littleham (Nr Bideford) is located within North Devon local authority area. Historically it formed part of Shebbear Hundred. It falls within Hartland Deanery for ecclesiastical purposes. The Deaneries are used to arrange the typescript Church Notes of B.F.Cresswell which are held in the Westcountry Studies Library.

The population was 292 in 1801 302 in 1901. Figures for other years are available on the local studies website. In 1641/2 80 adult males signed the Protestation returns.

A parish history file is held in Bideford Library. You can look for other material on the community by using the place search on the main local studies database. Further historical information is also available on the Genuki website.

## **Maps**

The image below is of the Littleham (Nr Bideford) area on Donn's one inch to the mile survey of 1765.



- On the County Series Ordnance Survey mapping the area is to be found on 1:2,500 sheet 19/14
- Six inch (1:10560) sheet 19SW
- The National Grid reference for the centre of the area is SS440234
- On the post 1945 National Grid Ordnance Survey mapping the sheets are:
  - Six inch to a mile (1:10,000) sheet SS42SW
  - Explorer (1:25,000) mapping sheet 126
  - Landranger (1:50,000) mapping sheet 180
- Geological sheet 292 also covers the area

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Littleham lies in pleasant, wooded, and hilly country S. of Bideford. It has little of interest except the 15th century church (St. Swithin). The original rood-screen was removed long ago, and the present screen and rood-loft are modern, designed by Mr. Temple Moore of London, who followed the general arrangement and style of

those at Patricio in Monmouthshire. He also designed the striking tomb with alabaster effigy of General Crealock (1891). The original bench-ends (late Henry VIII) have been incorporated with the new seating. They are of a most interesting Renaissance type with grotesque heads, dolphins, etc., carved with great delicacy and imagination. Here is some excellent stained glass by Kempe.