

## Gazetteer 2 Whitbourne/Alfrick area: Tedstone Delamere, Herefordshire

<b>Key to Abbreviations:</b>			
<b>BLHC</b>	Bromyard Local History Centre	<b>HT</b>	<i>Hereford Times</i>
<b>CMH</b>	Cider Museum, Hereford	<b>NA</b>	National Archives
<b>GRO</b>	Gloucestershire Record Office	<b>NGR</b>	National Grid Reference
<b>HER</b>	Historic Environment Record	<b>NMR</b>	National Monuments Record
<b>HJ</b>	<i>Hereford Journal</i>	<b>OS</b>	Ordnance Survey
<b>HRO</b>	Herefordshire Record Office		

<b>No. of orchards on tithe award &amp; map</b>		72	
<p>Most names descriptive of location (e.g. 'Upper Orchard' and 'Orchard Behind House'. Ref to Moat Orchard at Tipton Hall (indicative of medieval moated site)</p> <p>Also field names indicating types of fruit grown, e.g. 'Cherry Orchard', several 'Pear Tree Orchard' or similar, plus one called 'Little Orchard or Mill Pound Orchard', indicating likely presence of cider mill.</p>			
<b>No of orchards on OS 1<sup>st</sup> ed. map (1889)</b>	88	<b>No of orchards on OS 6 inch map (1950)</b>	33
<b>No of orchards on OS 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. map (1905)</b>	65	<b>No of orchards on T.O. Map (2013)</b>	27
<b>Primary Sources: Deeds, Wills etc.</b>			
HRO and NA	Frequent refs to hogsheads and cider in 17th-18th century wills and probate inventories (Diocesan wills held at HRO and PCC wills at NA). Lists of wills and inventories given with detailed discussion in Weale, History of Tedstone Delamere (2013) 59-73. Earliest ref to cider found in inventory of John Barnes yeoman (1670) mentioning 'cider and beere in the house' (Weale, 2013, 65)		
HRO	Probate inventory of Thomas Lane of Tipton refers to a cidermill screws and hairs (reproduced in Weale (2013), 92)		
HRO A100/73-305	Manorial records of Tedstone Delamere		
HRO A100/166-167	Deeds of Tedstone Court and Manor Lease of Lordship of Tedstone Delamere - 1713 (refs to orchards)		
BLHC D9/204	Horners Mill deeds Recovery re. 3 messuages, 2 cider mills etc in Tedstone Delamere -1778		
BLHC D64/13/13	Fine re. messuage, barns & 1 cider mill in Tedstone - 1789 (Whitbourne Estate MSS Deed re. purchase of Stone House Farm (refs to cider)- 1810		
NA MAF 113/278	cider fruit experiments in Herefordshire by Experimental Horticulture Committee		

### Primary Sources: Estate, tithe maps & plans

Whitbourne Estate collection	Plan of the Woodam Estate – 1787 (held at Dial House, reproduced in Weale (2013), 121)
Whitbourne Estate collection	Plan of the Tedstone Court estate – 1824
HRO	Tithe map and award for Tedstone Delamere (1840 – copy at BLHC)
HRO	Saltmarsh estate map – 1841
Whitbourne Estate collection	Plan of the Moores' estate in Tedstone Delamere - 1848 (partially reproduced in Weale (2013), 122)
HRO MS/30B/6	Tedstone Court estate map – 1908 (partially reproduced at back of Weale (2013))

### Primary Sources: Sale Catalogues, Inventories & Land Valuation Surveys

Whitbourne Estate collection	Tedstone Court estate sale catalogue - 1844 (held at Dial House) Tedstone Court estate valuation – 1879 (held at Dial House)
HRO MS/30B/6	Tedstone Court sale particulars – 1908
GRO D2299/10331	Tedstone Court Estate Valuation - 1951

### Illustrations (engravings etc) & Photographic Records (incl. aerials)

BLHC	collection of c.100 b/w and colour photographs of Tedstone Delamere parish dating back to c.1900
Publication	A large number of photographs of rural buildings and agricultural scenes, incl cider mills are reproduced in Weale, <i>History of Tedstone Delamere</i> (2013) including a cider mill at Tidbatch (Weale, 203)

### Secondary Sources: Antiquarian Accounts, Trade Directories etc.

*Post Office Directory of Herefordshire* (1856) apples listed as one of chief crops in parish, and noted that cider is made here.

*Kelly's Directory of Herefordshire & Shropshire*, (1895)

- 167 - apples listed as one of chief crops in parish, and noted that cider is made here.
- Description of Tedstone Court estate in Whitehead, *Survey of Historic Parks and Gardens in Herefordshire* (2001), 353 which refers to fruit garden including plum, pear, cherry, apricot and fig in addition to apples.

Weale, *History of Tedstone Delamere* (2013) provides a detailed history of the various houses and estates within the parish with incidental references to orchards, cider mills including the following:

- Cider making at Lee Lay (Weale, 2013, 206), good cherry crop at Horner's Mill (Weale, 2013, 203),
- rose garden at Tedstone Court created in old orchard in early 1900s (Weale, 2013, 244).

Also contains valuable description of harvesting apples and hops at Tedstone Court in late 19th-early 20th c (144) 'chief among my memory pictures of autumn at Tedstone are those of the apple orchards. At

Tedstone, I remember them best lying in heaps under the fruit stripped trees....the Court cider press was in the backyard close to the hopkiln...I remember seeing the dark brown straining cloths hung out to dry after their work was done’.

### Secondary Sources: Articles and Newspaper Cuttings

HJ – 8 January 1812	Horners Mill, ref to sale of estate incl. cider mill and orcharding ;in its prime and is capable of making upwards of 60 hogshead of cider and perry in one year’.
HJ – 9 Feb 1812	Hedge House Farm – ref to sale of estate incl. cider and kiln hairs
HT – 18 Aug 1832	Winley Farm ref to sale of estate incl cider mill
HT – 24 Aug 1878	Thrift Farm, ref to sale of cider casks
HT – 30 Nov 1878	Tedstone Court ref to sale of cider casks

### Heritage Assets recorded in HER associated with orchards or orchard industry

PRN 30813	Tipton Hall medieval moated site (NGR SO 6920 5975)
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### Assessment of potential for further research and archaeological investigation

**Moderate** – There is moderate to high potential for further documentary research on the development of orchards and the orchard industry in this parish-,utilising probate records, deeds, inventories, estate maps and sale catalogues (some held privately (eg. Whitbourne estate records at Dial House) although the majority are held at the HRO, BLHC and the NA.

The BLHC holds a fairly sizeable collection of photographs of rural scenes (including cider mills and orchards) in Tedstone Delamere, some of which are reproduced in J. Weale’s comprehensive recent study of the history of the parish which provides a thorough guide to the available documentary sources. There are also references to cider mills and orchards in local newspapers dating back to the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. However there appears to be low potential for archaeological investigation of specific sites, based on the very limited evidence for heritage assets associated with traditional orchard sites recorded in the Herefordshire HER, with the possible exception of Tipton Hall where there is evidence for a moated site and associated relict field system. There is limited potential for investigation of surviving cider mill buildings in Tedstone Delamere, most of which are unlisted.