

Acton Beauchamp Historical Timeline

Date of input/update	Historical Date	Details	References & Sources	Listing	Actions
13.04.2024	Bronze Age (5000 - 700 BC)	Arrowhead - flint. Bradley Field, Wooton Farm SO698501 (approx)	Hereford Museum.		
13.04.2024	Roman	Roman Pottery, Roman Coins, Roman Road following the Halfridge route way. SO697502 (approx) Fragments of Roman pottery found at SO682508 Romano-British pottery found SO685503 (approx) Romano-British pottery SO695506 Romano-British Brooch (grid reference withheld) Roman Road - Marden to Acton Beauchamp	CWM Pratt & George Woodruff Herefordshire through time - Herefordshire Council Referenced in "Roman Roads in Britain", Margary, ID (1973)		
13.04.2024	716AD	Monastery related to Evesham Abbey on the Halfridge Pilgrimage Way at AB - evidence of Fish Ponds still in existence below the church	Mentioned in the Saxon Charter - King Ethelbald of Mercia gave Actona to St Marys Abbey in Evesham. Fishponds can be seen		
6.5.24	727AD	Aethelbald of Mercia gives Aactune to Buca to 'strongly hold and defend and keep diligently and provide an everlasting dwelling of God's Servants' - eg monastery.	aschart.kcl.ac.uk/charters 0085		
13.04.2024	9th Century	Mercian /Anglo-Saxon carved crossshaft re used as a lintel for the tower of St Giles Church (suggesting an early church on the site) SO679503	Pevsner Listed Grade 2*	Grade 2*	

9.5.24	972AD	Description of the Bounds of Acton Beauchamp in a charter granting Acton Beauchamp to Pershore Abbey by King Edgar.	Attachment to Great Pershore Charter of 1282 (Cartularium Saxonicum, W. De G. Birch, 1893).
9.5.245	972AD	Mention of the Salt Way from Droitwich - main route for transporting Salt from Droitwich to Hereford....passing through Suckley to Acton Green to Acton Beauchamp turn left to pass Sintons End, Kidleys (house on site since 1280) and on to Frome Manor Farm and Bishop's Frome	Ibid. CWM Pratt The Charter Bounds of AB The Woolhope Naturalists Field Club Volume XLIX 1997
6.5.24	1066	Belonged to St Mary's Church Evesham	Domesday Book
13.04.2024	Domesday Book 1086	Urse held it for Bishop Odo of Bayeux 1 villager, 9 smallholder, 12 slaves	Domesday Book

16.5.24	Medieval Monuments and Finds	<p>Church House Farmhouse SO679503 Kidleys SO685490 Sinton's End Farmhouse SO687491 Ridin Leyes now Red Marley Farm SO706915097500 Croxley Holding now Wood Farm SO704505 Snoddinge now Crookshill Farm SO695506 Hatheridge Holding now Halfridge Farm SO691509 Winthill now Old Rectory SO677497</p> <p>Site of Shipman's Place SO694493 (approx) Site of Kyhouse or Gatehouse Farm SO686501 Site of North Cottage SO687498 Site of Hallyatts or Halletts near the Lyes SO697512 Site of Church End (south of church) SO679502 (approx) Site of Whitheade Holding SO675501 Site of Sevington's Hall SO687496 Site of Yeagtree or Graytree SO693498 (approx) Site of John Pennell's SO692508 (approx) Site of Balton's SO688507 (approx) Possible mill site SO707510 (approx)</p> <p>Ridge and Furrow System SO696502</p>	Herefordshire through time - Herefordshire Council
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16.5.24	Continued from above	Deserted Medieval Village SO679502 Find - medieval spear, Bradley Hopyard SO698502 Find - medieval pottery - south of church SO679503 Church of St. Giles SO679503	Ibid
9.5.24	1298-1316	Owned by the Abbot of Evesham	A History of the County of Worcestershire
9.5.24	?	Passed to the Beauchamp family of Elmley and then descended with the heirs of Elmley Castle	Ibid
9.5.24	Mid 13th century	After the death without issue of Walter Beauchamp of Elmley, passes to the elder branch of the family, ie the Earls of Warwick	Ibid
9.5.24	1345	Manor given to Giles Beauchamp or Powick, then follows the line of the Beauchamps of Powick and then the Lygons.	Ibid
13.04.2024	Medieval (500 AD-1450 AD approx 1000 years)	Halfridge route way below church evidence of a medieval village near the church.	Herefordshire Past and Present by Ruth Richardson & Chris Musson p48. Local archaeological dig yielding pottery evidence of holloways and house platforms
9.5.24	Earliest printed map of Wales by Humphrey Llwyd 1573	Herefordshire is included in Wales. ACTON appears on the map with a picture of a church next to it.	MAP 5007 National Library of Wales

9.5.24	Sheldon Tapestry Map of Worcestershire Circa 1590	Acton Becham prominent	Bodleian Library, Oxford
9.5.24	Tudor Manorial Survey Of Acton Beauchamp 1594	<p>Description of Acton Beauchamp - buildings and fields.</p> <p>Many dwellings still in the same location though later altered/rebuilt:</p> <p>Manor House - Church House farm Winthill - Old Rectory Kydlawes Place - Kidleys Unnamed - Sinton's End Ridin Leyes - Redmarley Atons Myll -Acton Mill Croxley - Wood Farm Wottons - Wootons SO689504 Snoddinge - Crooks Hill Hatheridge - Halfridge</p> <p>Sevingtons Hall - on the site of what is now Sevington Cottages and referred to on Bryant's Map of 1835 as 'Old Sevington'.</p>	<p>Tudor Manorial Survey, 1594</p> <p>Original in possession of Madresfield Court</p> <p>Partial translation, Madresfield Calendar, 1910, C L Kingsford. Worcester Record Office.</p> <p>Full translation, 1996, Muriel Tonkin. Hereford Record Office (BS75).</p>

16.5.24	Post-medieval monuments and finds	<p>Church House Farm SO680503 Acton Court (previously Green Farm) SO696502 The Old Rectory SO677497 Barns at Sevington grade II listed SO686495 17/18th century Judy's Cottage early 18th century SO710505 Red Marley Cottage - 17th century SO707500 Sevington Farm SO686495</p> <p>Earthfield (brickworks) SO707510 (approx)</p> <p>Cottage site west of Point Coppice SO691499 Cottage site north-west of Lowe Coppice SO369221 Cottage site north-west of Sevington SO684498 (approx) Cottage site south of Point Coppice SO694498 Point House - site of - north-east of Point Pool SO693504 Cottage site north-east of Long Coppice SO686507 Cottage site south-east of church SO685500 Cottage site Pippins Hill SO694508 (approx) Cottage site north of Halletts SO699512 (approx) Cottage site Pippins Hill SO 693508 (approx) Toll house ? SO684488 (approx) The Pound SO699500</p> <p>Find - post medieval pottery SO694506 (approx)</p>	Herefordshire Through Time - Herefordshire Council website
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Find - post medieval pottery - east of Acton Beauchamp SO688500 (approx)
 Find - post-medieval pottery Rowley Coppice SO?
 Find - post-medieval pottery - east of village SO685503 (approx)
 Find - Post-medieval pottery - west of village SO675502 (approx)
 Find - portable antiquities - vessel - location not disclosed
 Find - portable antiquities - strap fitting - 16/17th century SO702509

Ridge and furrow system
 SO678495
 Cultivation ridges -south-east of Coppice House SO701496

Mill site - south-west of chapel farm
 SO711504

Post-medieval quarries:
 SO692496, SO693493, SO698489,
 SO684494, SO682508

9.5.24 1597 Christopher Saxton's map of Wales. MAP 01003 National Library of Wales

Depicts 'Acton Beacham'

9.5.24 1602 Sold by William Lygon to Rowland Berkeley of Spetchley then descended with Cotheridge Manor until 1805

13.04.2024 1633 Sinton's End properties timber framed collection of farm buildings

Sinton's End
 properties
 Grade 2

9.5.24	C17th/ C18th	(New) Sevington Manor built. Fireplace dated to 1643 Hipped Roof Manor House with C18th addition. Parkland Mature Oaks planted nearby. Suite of Barns (later converted to properties). Walled Garden .	Fireplace Dated by Jim Tonkin - Woolhope Club	Grade 2
9.5.24	1804	Acton Court - mid C18th Church House Farm built		Grade 2*
9.5.24	1805	Manor sold to Richard Hemming		
9.5.24	1839 Tithe Map	Buildings mentioned above in the manorial survey still exist. 'New' Sevington has been built in its current location. 'Old' Sevington not named but buildings appear there. Cluster of cottages, some with gardens and a shop, at Acton Green. Field boundaries very much as appear on OS map today. Many scattered cottages presumably for farmworkers - no longer standing.	1839 Tithe map of Acton Beauchamp	

	Early C19th	Church House Farm built Old Rectory built (1821)	Grade 2
9.5.24	1858	Manor purchased from Richard Hemming's trustees by William Hanbury Sparrow or Penn Staffs.	A History of the County of Worcestershire
9.5.24	1867	Inherited by William Mander Sparrow and then his nephew William Arthur Brown (later Sparrow) or Stourport on Severn.	Ibid
9.5.24	1912	Sold to George Holloway	Ibid