


Date

Ellingham

Kirby Cane

1506	Richard Billington, rector presented by Elizabeth, Duchess of Norfolk.	Thomas Grene, rector, presented by Thomas Gavel.
<i>Henry VIII</i> 22 April 1509 - 21 Jan 1547	During the reign of Henry VIII, Thomas Bishop conveyed to Richard Spooner, lands in Ellingham, Stockton and Kirby	
1518	Elizabeth Cobbe accused her uncle William and Jon Lewes of Beccles of forging part of her grandfather's will and wrongfully occupying and wasting lands in Ellingham, Kirby Cane Stockton and elsewhere.	
1522		Thomasine Gavel was heiress of Ellingham Manor. She married Leonard Copledike Esq., of Frampton, Lincolnshire and Horam in Suffolk. When he died, she married Edward Calthorpe in 1525 and in 1531, Ellingham, Stockton, Geldeston and Hales were settled on Edward and Thomasine for their lives and to John Copledike (her son by her first marriage) thereafter. Thomasine died in 1557.
1524	Hugh Hasely presented by Thomas Howard, 2nd Duke of Norfolk, who commanded the army that defeated the Scots in 1513 and died in this year. In this year a tax was imposed on householders who had moveable goods worth over ten shillings or owned houses worth one pound or more. Ellingham had 19 such households.	In the tax of this year Kirby Cane had 14 taxable households. Its economic lead over Ellingham was slowly diminishing.
1530	William Latymer, rector, presented by Thomas Howard, 3 rd duke of Norfolk. This duke fought beside his father at Flodden. He is best remembered for abetting Henry VIII with his marital changes, and for managing to make two of his nieces queen, albeit briefly (Anne Boleyn and Cathering Howard). He only escaped beheading in 1533 because the King died first. In this year the rector Hugh Haseley made his will and gave instructions for his burial; "I will have a fair stone of marble with a picture of the Holy Trinity and a priest with a chalice in the same stone."	When Copledike died, Thomasine married Edward Calthorpe and in 1531, Ellingham, Stockton, Geldeston and Hales were settled on Edward and Thomasine for their lives and to John Copledike (her son by first marriage). The estate comprised 20 messuages, 400 acres of arable, 60 acres meadow, 300 pasture, 12 of wood and 40 shillings in rent a year.
1532	Robert Brydkerk, rector, presented by Thomas duke of Norfolk	
1534	A new law banned anyone from owning more than 2000 sheep.	

