



Domesday Book

South Tidworth

The Domesday Book is a record of the great survey which was completed in 1086, of much of England and parts of Wales.

The survey was executed for William I of England (William the Conqueror) to determine how much each landholder had in land & livestock, and what it was worth. From this it could be determined how much tax was liable. The judgement of the Domesday assessors was final – whatever was written in the books about who held what material wealth or what it was worth, was law and no appeal was available. It was written in Latin and the text was highly abbreviated. The Domesday books were referred to as “the Book of Judgement” “because its decisions, like those of the Last Judgement, are unalterable”.

Section of the Domesday Book relating to South Tidworth.

Hundred	Broughton
County	Hampshire
Total Population	20 Households
Total Tax assessed	13 geld units (very large)
Taxable Units	Taxable value 7 geld units Taxed on 7.0
Value	Value to Lord in 1066 £10 Value to Lord in 1086 £10 Value to Lord c. 1070 £5
Households	3 villagers 9 slaves
Ploughland	4 ploughlands (land for), 3 Lord's plough teams, 1 men's plough team
Other resources	Meadow 4 acres, 1 church
Overlord in 1066	Earl Harold
Lord in 1066	Cuthwulf
Lord in 1086	Hugh
Tenant in Chief in 1086	Robert, son of Gerald
Philimore Reference	28,6

