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47, Glington Road,  
Helpston,  
PE6 7DG  
7th. March 2001

### INDENTURE

Dear Peter,

The Indenture has been copied out and followed through with copies of documents about Helpston which are to hand. On the reverse side of the Indenture it reveals that it is an agreement for a Year's lease.

Each of the plots can be traced on the associated part copy of the Enclosure Award Plan of 1820, except possibly the 15 perches which is plot 51. In modern terms the present Post Office.

The Award plan states that the claim by Elizabeth Sharpe was for 27 perches and the award was of 15 perches, just a bald statement without explanation.

Mrs Littler (at the shop) has occasionally asked me about her property and up-to-date this is the first time it has come to light. Can I leave it to you to let her know this piece of information .

Thank you for letting me borrow the Indenture and unravelling its contents which has been a very interesting exercise.

Perhaps you will allow me to retain a copy, please.

*George .*

# THIS INDENTURE

made the eighteenth Day of April in the fifty third year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the third

by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland King Defender of the Faith and in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirteen

**Between** Elizabeth Sharpe of Helpstone in the County of

Northampton widow relict of Richard Sharpe late of Helpstone aforesaid Baker and Farmer deceased and who was the

widow and relict of Robert Watson also late of Helpstone aforesaid Gentleman deceased and devisee in fee simple of the hereditaments and premises hereinafter particularly auctioned and described named in and by his last will and testament of the one part and

William Gee of Bainton in the said county Farmer of the other part **Witnesseth** that for and in consideration of the sum of five shillings of lawful money of the currency of Great Britain to her the said Elizabeth Sharpe in hand well and truly paid by the said William Gee at or before the sealing and delivery of these presents The receipt whereof

is hereby acknowledged she the said Elizabeth Sharpe **Hath** granted bargained and sold and by these presents **DOTH** grant bargain and sell unto the said William Gee his executors administrators and assigns **All that** the Right of Common and Common of pasture

for all manner of Cattle in upon and over Borough Great Fen in the said county appurtenant or belonging to all that Messuage Cottage or Tenement and Four acres more or less of sand and meadow in Helpstone aforesaid and thirty acres more or less of arable sand and Ley Ground lying separately in the fields of Helpstone aforesaid and now or late in the occupation of the said Elizabeth Sharpe or some part thereof and heretofore usually exercised and enjoyed with the same or some part thereof **And also** all such allotment or allotment quantity pieces or parcels of land or ground as upon the enclosure of the said Fen under a certain act of parliament lately passed for that purpose may or shall be set out and awarded for in lieu or in respect of the said right of Common and Common of pasture or as a compensation for the same or otherwise

**Together** with all and singular ways paths passages waters courses Hedges Ditches Fences Trees woods underwoods Commons Rights Members privileges Emoluments advantages and appurtenances to the said right of Common and Common of pasture allotment or allotment pieces or parcels of land or Ground hereditaments and premises hereby granted bargained and sold or intended so to be belonging or appertaining or to be awarded or which have or may hereafter be therewith or with any part thereof used exercised or enjoyed or accepted reputed or taken or known as part or parcel of the same **And** the Reversions and Reversions Remainder and Remainders Rents

Issues and profits thereof **And also** all the Estate Right title use Trust property interest Benefit claim and Demand whatsoever both at Law and in Equity of her the said Elizabeth Sharpe in to or out of the same premises with the appurtenances or any part thereof **To have and to hold** the said Right of Common and Common of pasture and all such allotment or allotments quantity pieces or parcels of Land or Ground as may or shall be set out and awarded in lieu or in respect thereof or as a compensation for the same as aforesaid with the appurtenances unto the said William Gee his executors administrators and assigned from the day next before the day of the date of these presents for during and unto the full end and term of one whole year from tenure next ensuing and fully to be compleat and ended **Yielding and Paying** therefore unto the said Elizabeth Sharpe her Executors or Administrators the Rent of one pepper corn for the same at the end of the said Term if the same shall be lawfully demanded **To and For** the intent and purpose that by force and virtue of these presents and of the Statute made for transferring uses into possession the said William Gee may be in the actual possession of the estate and premises hereby granted bargained and sold or intended so to be and may be thereby enabled to accept and take a grant release and conveyance of the freehold Reversion and Inheritance therof to the use of him the said William Gee his successors and assigns **In Witness** whereof the said parties to these presents have thereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written,

(On reverse side)

**Sealed** and delivered in the presence of

(follows two signatures) Samuel Sharpe  
N. Farrant

**Dated** 8th. April 1813

Mrs. Elisabeth Sharpe )  
to ) **Lease** for a year  
Mr. William Gee )

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CLAIMS  
on  
MAXEY with DEEPINGATE  
NORTHBOROUGH  
GLINTON with PEAKIRK,  
ETTON, AND HELPSTONE  
INCLOSURE  
1809

CLAIM No. 161 The claim of Elizabeth Sharpe, of Helpstone

Elizabeth, the wife of Richard Sharpe, of Helpstone, in the county of Northampton, claims Right of Common, in respect of the under-mentioned Premises, upon the Open Fields, Meadows, Pastures, Commons, and Waste Grounds, in Helpstone aforesaid; and also upon the Meadows (called the Long Meadows) of Maxey with Deepingate, Northborough, Glinton with Peakirk, Etton, and Helpstone, viz

IN HELPSTONE

	A	R	P
A Message, with yard, Garden, &c. containing about	0	2	0
Four Acres of Arable and Grass Ground in the Field (About Three Roods are Grass Land)	4	0	0
And also Thirty Acres of Arable in the several Fields	30	0	0
	34	2	0

The above estates are all Freehold, and held in fee simple, and are subject to Mrs. Sharpe's disposition whether sole or married.

Wm. TAYLOR  
Agent

No. 162 The claim of Richard Sharpe, of Helpstone

Richard Sharpe of Helpstone, in the county of Northampton farmer, claims Right of Common in respect of the under-mentioned Premises, upon the Open Fields, Meadows, Pastures, and Waste Grounds, in Helpstone aforesaid; and also upon the Meadows (called the Long Meadows) of Maxey with Deepingate, Glinton with Peakirk, Northborough, and Etton. viz.

IN HELPSTONE

	A	R	P
Meadow in Long Meadow, Copyhold of the Manor of Torpell and held in fee	3	0	0

Wm. TAYLOR  
Agent

Dated this 22nd March 1810  
signed EDWD. HARE  
WILLIAM CUSTANCE  
CHARLES BERKELY

AWARD  
thirtieth day of Mar. 1820

Copyhold of Torpell by purchase of Richard Sharpe 2 1 39	And by virtue of a surrender from Richard Sharpe One other Parcel of Land containing two acres one rood and thirty nine perches in Woodcroft field bounded on the East by an allotment to the Impropriators of Helpstone on the South-west by Ram Dike Drain on the West by a freehold allotment to the said Charles Knowlton and on the North by the Ginton Road
	The fences of which said allotment on the East and North sides thereof shall be made and kept in repair by and at the expense of the said Charles Knowlton and the Owners of this allotment for the time being which said allotment is in our judgment a just compensation and satisfaction for all the Lands Grounds Rights of common and other Rights and Interests heretofore holden copy of Court Roll of the Manor of Torpell by the said Richard Sharpe and by him surrendered to the said Charles Knowlton in and over the Lands and Grounds in Helpstone directed to be divided and inclosed and is to be deemed and taken as copyhold of the said Manor Unto and for Elizabeth Sharpe One parcel of Land containing fifteen perches in the Town of Helpstone
Elizabeth Sharpe freehold 0 0 15	bounded on the North and East by the Town Street on the South by an allotment to Henry Ullett and on the West by an ancient homestead (51) belonging to her the fences of Which said allotment against the Town Street shall be made and kept in repair by and at the expense of the said Elizabeth Sharpe and the Owners of this allotment for the time being
freehold 11 3 18	and one other parcel of land containing Eleven acres three roods and eighteen perches in Heath field bounded on the East by allotments to John Porter and Millicent Clarke respectively on South by the Howe drain on the West by and allotment to the Executors of William Ward and on the North by the Huskey Close Road The fences of which said allotment on the West and North sides thereof shall be made and kept in repair by and at the expense of the said Elizabeth Sharpe and the Owners of
Elizabeth Sharpe sold to Alexander Broughton freehold 0 3 21	this allotment for the time being Unto and for Alexander Broughton by virtue of a conveyance from Elizabeth Sharpe one parcel part of land containing three roods and twenty one perches in Heath field bounded on the East by Knowlton's Road on the South by an allotment to Millicent Clarke on the West by an allotment to John Porter and on the North by an allotment to William Farrow The Fences of which said allotment on the East and North sides thereof shall be made and kept in repair by and at the expense of the said Alexander Broughton and the owners of this allotment
Elizabeth Sharpe sold to John Crowson freehold 1 1 0	for the time being Unto and for John Crowson by virtue of a conveyance from the said Elizabeth Sharpe One parcel of land containing one acre and one rood in Heath Field bounded on the East by Knowlton's Road on the South by an allotment to William Farrow on the West by an allotment to John Porter and on the North by Huskey Close Road The Fences of which said allotment against the said Roads shall be made and kept in repair by and at the expense of the said John Crowson and the Owners of
Elizabeth Sharpe sold to John Edy freehold 1 2 18	this allotment for the time being Unto and for John Edy by virtue of a conveyance from the said Elizabeth Sharpe One Parcel of land containing one acre two roods and eighteen perches in Heath field bounded on the East by an allotment to him on the South by Huskey Close Road on the West by an allotment to William Ward and on the North by an allotment to William Ullet The Fences of which said allotment on the South and West sides thereof shall be made and kept in repair by and at the expense of the said John Edy and the Owners of this

Elizabeth Sharpe  
sold to  
William Farrow  
freehold  
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Elizabeth Sharpe  
sold to  
Francis Malmesbury  
freehold  
0 3 31

Elizabeth Sharpe  
sold to  
William Ward  
freehold  
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allotment for the time being Unto and for William Farrow by virtue of a conveyance from the said Elizabeth Sharpe One Parcel of land containing One acre in Heath field bounded on the East by Knowlton's Road on the South by an allotment to Alexander Broughton on the West by an allotment to John Porter and on the North by an allotment to John Crowson the Fences of which said allotment on the East and North sides thereof shall be made and kept in repair by and at the expense of the said William Farrow and the Owners of this allotment for the time being Unto and for Francis Malmesbury by virtue of a conveyance from the said Elizabeth Sharpe One parcel of land containing three roods and thirty one perches in the Heath field bounded on the East by an allotment to the Churchwardens and Overseers of Greatford on the West by an allotment to the said Francis Malmesbury and on the North by the Bainton Road The Fences of which said allotment on the West and North sides thereof shall be made and kept in repair by and at the expense of the said Francis Malmesbury and the Owners of this allotment for the time being Unto and for William Ward by virtue of a conveyance from the said Elizabeth Sharpe one Parcel of land containing One acre and twenty two perches in Heath field bounded on the East by an allotment to John Edy On the South by Huskey close Road on the West by another allotment to the said William Ward and on the North by an allotment to William Ullet the Fence of which said allotment on the South and West sides thereof shall be made and kept in repair by and at the expense of the said William Ward and the Owners of this allotment for the time being Which said two allotments to the said Elizabeth Sharpe containing eleven acres three roods

and thirty three perches together with the several allotments awarded by virtue of conveyance from her to the said Alexander Broughton, John Crowson, John Edy, William Farrow, Francis Malmesbury and William Ward respectively are in our Judgment a just compensation and satisfaction for all her freehold lands, grounds rights of common and other freehold rights and interests in and over the lands and grounds in Helpstone directed to be divided and inclosed are to be deemed and taken as freehold.

So far as the same relates to the  
Parish of Helpstone

which said award bears date  
the  
thirtieth day of Mar. 1820