

Hallow Mill, Broadheath Lane, Hallow SO 8251 5817

The Hallow Mill is situated by the side of the minor road to Broadheath off the A443 in Hallow village. The buildings survive but sadly no machinery is left, just the wheel pit that is used as a water feature. At a guess the water wheel would have been of the over shot type and approximately ten feet in diameter. Until recently the mill housed an equestrian centre.



There were two corn mills in the manor of Hallow in 1086, and mills seem to have existed at Hallow and at Henwick in the 13th century, the men there were forced to take their corn to Broadwas when they were unable to grind it at their own mills. In the Parliamentary Survey of 1647



there was a copyhold for the mill held by Thomas Elfe since 1636. In the 1746 Hallow rentbook, the rent for Hallow Mill was '10s.8d plus 2 fat capons'. In the same year Hallow rent rolls show that Gervase Wheeler was the miller. This extract from the 1747 Doharty map shows the mill and leat (man-made water channel). To the rear of Clay Cottages, Shoulton Lane, are the remains of the dam that would have diverted

some of the water from Laugherne Brook through the leat to Hallow Mill from Laugherne Brook. Rent was paid to the Bishopric of Worcester.

Ann Stillingfleet became the Freehold owner in 1751 and in 1764 the miller was George Williams. In 1792 the Stillingfleet family sold the Old House Farm estate, Peachley, which included the mill, to Mr John Miles, a threadmaker of Birmingham for £2000, but in the same year ownership passed to George Dolphin of Yardley. In 1865 Benjamin farmer bought the mill. He kept a detailed diary of transactions at Hallow mill and left his mark on an internal beam.



The mill continued to be in use grinding corn until at least the 1930s. It is the only remaining mill building in Hallow.

Sources: Hallow History Group Research 2013, WCC Archives