

Kingsdown Manor Farm

(217 acres) (also known as Corn Farm) includes an area called 'Peak's Hay' where Groundwell Estate is today.

1796 Enclosure awarded to John Phelps & James Crowdy.

1826 Put up for sale while in occupation of Ralph Withers, farm house with 162 acres. *Devizes & Wiltshire Gazette* 25-05-1826. Still there in 1841 Census.

1829 Sale shows Richard Biggs as owner and Thomas Harris as tenant farmer. The lot is Farm house, barns, stables etc with 217 acres of Arable & Pasture land with Windmill and Brick & Lime kilns.

1879 David Archer was asking for tenders to build house and stable at Kingsdown farm. *Swindon Advertiser* 29-03-1879.

1881 Census shows Samuel Coleborne

1911 Kelly's shows farmer as Joseph Gleave Twiss.

1923 Kelly's shows James Barr.

1924 Rate book shows J R Farr. & also, in 1928 Swindon Directory.

1930, 2nd July, James BARR dies, buried at Upper Stratton Cemetery. North Wilts Herald 04-07-1930.

1948 Street Directory shows T Calvert living here, also in 1951 as T & M G Calvert

1951-63 Geoffrey Griffiths. Farm is now converted to business units and several private dwellings.