## INDEX OF TREE-RING DATED BUILDINGS IN ENGLAND COUNTY LIST approximately in chronological order, revised to VA51 (2020).

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## **Staffordshire**

This file includes places subsumed into the West Midlands Metropolitan District

County – Historic and later	Felling date range	Placename	Address	VA ref HE ref Other refs	Description / keywords	NGR
Staffs	846 -864	Tamworth	Bolebridge Street	- (1)	Horizontal wheel watermill. Through-tenon with face peg locked together two base plates.	SK 209039
Staffs (WMid)	1160 +0	West Bromwich	Sandwell Priory	17.52 Not	No roof timbers.	SP 025914
Staffs	1160 -1195	Armitage with Handsacre	Handsacre Hall	21.38 Not	Curved brace etc. in aisled hall (demolished). (Also 1255+? 1276 (+3) and see 1306-15+20).	SK090157
Staffs (WMid)	1270 -88	West Bromwich	The Manor House	41.101 Notm RDR 42/2009 (2)	Open hall. Timber-framed. Base cruck, spere truss, crown post, lap joints, intersecting braces. Previously dated 1269-93 (VA 20.41). Also see 1425 (1412 -37), 1442 (1429 -54).	SP 005943
Staffs	1293 - 1318 c.	Rushton Spencer	St Lawrence Church	29.107 Notm (3)	Church. Plank-walled. Crown post 4-way straight braces: lambs-tongue chamfer stops.	SJ 934621
Staffs	1291 -1326	Armitage with Handsacre	Handsacre Hall	21.38 Notm	Base cruck hall range (formerly aisled) Arch-braced cambered tiebeam and clasping piece; arcade plates, coupled rafters with arch-braced collars.	SK 090157
Staffs	1345	Burton upon Trent	186-7 Horninglow St	26.49 Notm (4)	Crown post, intersecting (scissor) braces, jettied	SK 253234
Staffs	1340 - 1358	Burton upon Trent	Manor House, Abbey Green	30.95 Notm (5)	Monastic, stone. Solar wing. Blades / principals. Cambered arch-braced saddles, collar purlin.	SK 251226
Staffs	1388	Burton upon Trent	51-52 High Street	28.125 Notm	Open hall. Crown post. At gable, down-braces to cambered tiebeam and longitudinal brace to collar plate.	SK 252232
Staffs	1391 /92	Mavesyn Ridware	Old Hall	27.79 Notm (6)	Moated. Guest range / gatehouse. Stone and timber-framed. Large wall panels with curved braces up and down. Arch braces to tiebeams, upstands, crown posts, upand down-braces, ogee doorheads.	SK 081167
Staffs	1415 -38	Harlaston	St Matthew's Church	36.94 Oxf CfA 26/2005	Nave roof, moved from elsewhere after 1838. Tiebeams & single collars, curved raking struts, curved V-struts. Also see 1480 -85.	SK 215109
Staffs	1425 -26 doc	Tamworth	Castle	18.53 Notm (7)	Open hall. Fdr of 1422-57, but payments for a louvre and plastering the hall in 1425-26 provide more precise construction date. Timber-framed. Arch-braced tiebeam and, double collar trusses, tenoned purlins with cusped wind braces.	SK 206039
Staffs	1430 c.	Tamworth	6 Market Street	25.38 Notm	Re-used timbers in late 17thC roof – see 1695.	SK 206040
Staffs (WMid)	1429 -54	West Bromwich	The Manor House, Hall Green Road	41.101 Notm RDR 42/2009	(North) solar wing. (Also {1412 -37}, and see 1539).	SP 006943
Staffs	1451 c.	Lichfield	1 Vicar's Close	33.114 Notm	Box-framed. External walls have storey-high close studding but internal partitions have large panels. Curved arch-braces to tiebeams: collars. At E truss purlins tenoned but at W truss they are clasped. Curved wind braces.	SK 118097

Staffs	1448 -68	Lichfield	3 Vicar's Close	33.114 Notm	Box-framed. Jettied. Storey-high close studding. Curved braces from corner posts to tiebeam, & collar, queen struts, clasped purlins, wind-braces. There was also a felling date 'after c.1516' but context not described.	SK 118097
Staffs	1450 -75 c.	Lichfield	8 Vicar's Close	33.115 Notm	Box-framed. Jettied.	SK 118097
Staffs	1453 -1478	Lichfield	10, The Close	30.95 Notm	Floor joist.	SK 114097
Staffs	1475 c.	Cheddleton	Hall House	29.105 Notm	Central arch-braced post & rafter truss with stub ties: slip tenons.	SJ 972524
Staffs	1480 -85	Harlaston	St Matthew's Ch	36.94 Oxf CfA 26/2005	Supporting posts for ringing chamber inside late Norman west tower.	SK 215109
Staffs	1499	Branston	Sinai Park	39.108 Notm	Barn. 'Roof and some tiebeams' dated 1499, but also see 1635.	SK 221230
Staffs	1499	Cheddleton	Cheddleton Grange	39.108 Notm	Cruck roof. Also, joists in a ceiling dated 1700.	SJ 974522
Staffs	1492 -1517	Wetton	St Margaret's Church	35.94 Notm CfA 22/2003	Roof of west tower. Also see 1630.	SK 108553
Staffs	1494-1534	Shobnall	Sinai Park	28.146 Sh (8)	North range /Bldg A. <i>Jettied</i> . Wall-frames - <i>storey-high close studding</i> with curved up- and down-braces. East gable has upward braces to tiebeam & collar, <i>close studding</i> . Side purlins <i>trenched</i> at east <i>gable</i> but clasped at internal truss. Also see 1597-1640, 1572-3.	SK 223232
Staffs	1513 -15	Leek	2-4 Church Street	Notm (9)	Moot hall. Stone, originally timber-framed. Dated timbers in front range inc. truss E tiebeam, principals, collar; originally single tier of side purlins. (Also see 1521-46).	SJ 983566
Staffs	1512 -37	Leek	The Black Swan	29.106 Notm	House. <i>Timber-framed</i> . Two cruck trusses Apex C, but also timbers felled 1530-1555, 1591 – much re-used material.	SJ 984566
Staffs	1518 -48	Biddulph	Biddulph Old Hall	36.94 Oxf	Service block added to older hall. [Tiebeam &] collar. Principals, queen-struts, 2 tiers of tenoned purlins with windbraces 'use of wind braces downward from principals to upper purlins is unusual' Parallel at Chazey Court, Mapledurham, Oxon (1608-10) VA35, 95-103.	SJ 893601
Staffs	1521 -46	Leek	2-4 Church Street	Notm (10)	Added to rear of bldg. Of 1513-15 (qv), a detached kitchen and stair wing. Cranked tiebeam, principals, raked struts to collar, side purlins. Small square panel partition inserted into front range.	SJ 983566
Staffs (WMid)	1539	West Bromwich	The Manor House, Hall Green Road	41.101 Notm RDR 42/2009	West bay off medieval hall. Also 1531, 1538. Also see 1590	SP 006943
Staffs	1531 -56	Leek	The Green Dragon, 2 St Edward St	Notm (11)	Formerly The White Swan Hotel. L-plan. Close studding to Mill St. facade. Tiebeams, principals, collars, V-struts, 2 tiers side purlins.	SJ 982565
Staffs	1562 /63	Kinver	19-20 High St	26.49 Notm	Jettied: no roof details.	SO 847833
Staffs	1569	Checkley	Tean Hall, Upper Tean	38.111 Notm	2-bay west wing, gable to street. Box framed, close studded. Tiebeams & collars, queen struts: single tier of trenched purlins. For 'hall' range see 1613.	SK 010395
Staffs	1569	Longsdon	Stonelow Hall	39.124 Notm	'Hall' range frames have rectangular panels. Trusses have tiebeams and raked and vertical struts directly up to principals. 2 tiers of purlins, the lower with both up and down wind braces. (Also see 1577).	SJ 955546
Staffs	1572 -73	Shobnall	Sinai Park	28.146 Sh (12)	Bldg F. Jettied. East gable has king strut and herringbone frame. Also see 1494-1534, 1620 c.?	SK 223232
Staffs	1563 -1588	Tamworth	Castle	28.125 Notm	Beams in first floor of north range.	SK 206039
Staffs	1572 -82	Brewood	Black Ladies	30.125 Sh	Eastern Range, north end panelling. Also see 1612,1669	SJ 847093
Staffs	1577	Leek	2-4 Clerk Bank	29.107 Notm	Cottage. Timber-framed. Cruck, apex type C. Bridging beam c.1591-1616	SJ 983567
Staffs	1577	Longdon	Stonelow Hall	39.124 Notm	The gap between the hall range of 1569 (qv) and the wing was in-filled to form a cross passage. The truss over this has tiebeam, principals, inclined struts and 2 tiers of purlins.	SJ 955546
Staffs	1580 c.	Biddulph	Whitehouse Cottage, Gillow Heath	29.106 Notm	Cruck type D apex. Open hall with fire hood? (No smoke blackening on hall timbers).	SJ 878580
Staffs	1578 -83	Tamworth	Castle	15.68 Notm	Floor joists in north range: roof removed in C19?	SK 210040

Staffs (WMid)	1569 - 94	West Bromwich	Oak House	- Notm (13) RDR	Fully floored. Batch felling until 1604-29. Also see VA 21.38. Close-studding with mid-rails, straight down- and Close-studding with mid-rails, straight down- and up-	SO 992913
0: "	4577	D 1/ 0	)	34/2009	braces, jettied, gabled. Tiebeam and collar trusses.	0.1.000000
Staffs	1577 – 1602 c.	Rushton Spencer	Wallhill Farm	29.107 Notm	House. Box-framed. Storey-high close studding. Two-bay main range, single-bay wing. Services later. Tiebeam and principal rafter trusses: single side purlins, ridge purlin.	SJ 933632
Staffs (WMid)	1591 /2+0	West Bromwich	Manor House	20.41 Notm (14)	Gatehouse. Tiebeam & collar, principals: struts & high collar, trenched and threaded purlins.	SP 005943
Staffs	1600	Ford	Old School House	28.128 Notm	Cruck, stone walls from outset (datestone 1605); apex type C - yoke supports ridge.	SK 063540
Staffs (WMid)	1583 -1618	West Bromwich	Hill House	21.38 Notm	No roof details.	SP 013922
Staffs	1612	Brewood	Black Ladies	30.125 Sh	Eastern Range, south roof. (Also see 1653-75 1669 1672).	SJ 847093
Staffs	1613	Checkley	Tean Hall, Upper Tean	38.111 Notm	Box-framed, close studding with mid-rail. Tiebeams, collars, principals, no queen struts: trenched purlins. For wing see 1569.	SK 010395
Staffs	1602 -1627	Ipstones	Whitehough	29.106 Notm	Wing. Stone. 3-bay wing. 2 inner trusses have interrupted tiebeams (and 2 collars?).	SK 984566
Staffs	1569 -94	West Bromwich	Oak House, Oak	42.103 Notm	Originally a 2-bay hall flanked by wings. Primary phase timber felled in batches?	SO 992913
(WMid)	1599 1604 -29		Road	RDRS 34/2009	Close-studded, jettied, dragon beam, jettied gables, tiebeams, collars, principals. Various other felling dates might belong to one phase of <i>c</i> .1660 ( <i>qv</i> ).	
Staffs	1620 c ?	Shobnall	Sinai Park	28.146 Sh	Felling date range was 1597-1640. Lower portions of Bldg C. Also see 1494-1534, 1572-3.	SK 223232
Staffs	1603 -41	Middle Mayfield	Old Farmhouse	37.114 Notm	3-room lobby entry plan. Vertical studs between tiebeam & collar. 2 tiers of trenched purlins (but roof partly rebuilt). Re-used principals dated to 1558.	SK 145445
Staffs	1623 /4+0	Stoke on Trent	Ford Green Hall, Smallthorne (museum)	23.54 Notm	2½ storeyed hall and wings plus storeyed porch with side entrance. Jettied 1st floor and gables. Close studding with 2 rails, small square panels with lozenge and baluster decoration. Tiebeam, queen strut and collar trusses.	SJ 888509
Staffs	1626	Horton	Horton Hall	Notm (15)	Large stone C-plan country house. W. wing roof has tiebeams, principals, raking & vertical struts to collars, V-struts.	SJ 940574
Staffs	1630	Wetton	St Margaret's Church	35.94 Notm CfA 22/2003	Bell frame in west tower of 1492 -1517 (qv). The sub-structure beneath the bellframe included timber felled 1590.	SK 108553
Staffs	1635	Branston	Sinai Park	39.108 Notm	Barn (now dwellings). Posts, wall plate and tiebeams dated 1635, (but see 1499).	SK 221230
Staffs	1637 +0	Tamworth	95 Lichfield St	11.34 Sieb	King post trusses.	SK 203040
Staffs	1630 -1655	Shobnall	Sinai Park	30.90 Notm	Central block inserted between two older parallel ranges. Also see 1676-1701.	SK 223232
Staffs	1650 -52	Ipstones	Sharpcliffe Hall	39.124 Notm	Double pile. Tiebeam & collar trusses, some with studs.	SK 008522
Staffs	1651 1652	Lichfield	Milley's Hospital	- Notm CfA 109 (2002)	Raked strut from tiebeam to principal, trenched purlins.	SK 134086
Staffs	1650 +10	Tamworth	Castle	18.53 Notm	Replacement purlin in hall. (Also see 1440 +).	SK 206039
Staffs (WMid)	1655 /56+0	West Bromwich	Oak House barn	22.41 Notm	No roof details.	SO 992913
Staffs	1660 <i>c.</i>	Lichfield	Lichfield Cathedral	49.126 WSCX/31/17	Chapter house roof. Contemporary with post- Civil War reconstruction. (One other timber used in a later repair was felled 1761 -94?)	SK115097
Staffs (WMid)	1647 -73	West Bromwich	Oak House, Oak Road	42.103 Notm RDRS 34/2009	Belvedere (gabled prospect turret). Timbers in cellar 1646-71, in infill block 1653-78. For primary phase see 1604-29.	SO 992913
Staffs	1653 -75	Brewood	Black Ladies	30.125 Sh	Eastern Range, cellar. Also see 1612,1669, 1672.	SJ 847093
Staffs	1669	Brewood	Black Ladies	30.125 Sh	Western Range, west roof. Also see 1612,1653-75, 1672.	SJ 847093
Staffs	1666 -71	Cheddleton	Basfordbridge Farmhouse	Notm (16)	Stone walls. 3-bay lobby-entry 2-storied house. Square-panel par5tition framing. Tiebeams, principals, collars, raked and vertical struts, single tier of side purlins. One principal is of timber felled 1494-1519. Also see 1674.	SJ 979514
Staffs	1671	Sheen	Low End Farm	27.83 Notm	The dated side purlins are in a raised cruck barn with type C apex.	SK 106603
Staffs	1672	Brewood	Black Ladies	30.125 Sh	Western Range, east roof. Also see 1612, 1653-75, 1669.	SJ 847093

Staffs	1674	Cheddleton	Basfordbridge	Notm	Stone walls. Kitchen ceiling beam in single-bay extension to house of 1666-71	SJ 979514
			Farmhouse		(above).	
Staffs	1682 to	Alrewas	6 Park Road	45.103	2-bay central chimney house. Gabled. Tiebeam, collar, queen struts, single tier of	SK 171153
	1687			DEPR/16/13	trenched side purlins, straight windbraces.	
Staffs	1676-1701	Shobnall	Sinai Park	30.90 Notm	Central block inserted between two older parallel ranges. Also see 1630 -1655.	SK 223232
Staffs	1695	Tamworth	6 Market St	25.38 Notm	Tiebeam & collar trusses, queen struts, principals, side purlins.	SK 206040
Staffs	1754 /5	Wolverhampton	Molineux Hotel	37.99 MB	Originally a domestic dwelling for the ironmaster Benjamin Molineux. Basement	SO 912989
(WMid)		,		CfA 7/2006	timbers.	

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