1. Parish: **Bradwell**

Meaning: Broad stream (Ekwall)

2. **Hundred:**

Lothingland (- 1764), Mutford and Lothingland (1764 – 1974), transferred to Norfolk (1974)

Lothingland (- 1970), Flegg (1970 -) Deanery:

Union: Mutford and Lothingland

RDC/UDC: (E. Suffolk) Mutford and Lothingland RD (1894 – 1934),

Lothingland RD (1934 – 1974), transferred to Norfolk

(1974)

Other administrative details:

Mutford and Lothingland Petty Sessional Division **Great Yarmouth County Court District**

3. Area:

2,321 acres (¼ marsh, 17 acres water, 52 acres forshore) (1912)

4. Soils:

Mixed: a) Deep well drained coarse loam often stoneless soils.

risk water erosion

b) Deep stoneless mainly calcareous clay soils, flat land,

risk of flooding

600 acres marshland along river Yare

5. Types of farming:

1086 Domesday vill of Browston records: wood

for 10 pigs, 2 cobs, 4 cattle, 14 pigs, 70

sheep, 3 goats

1500-1640 Thirsk: Sheep-corn fed region, where sheep are

> main fertilizing agent, bred for fattening. Barley main cash crop. Also has similarities with wood-pasture region with pasture,

meadow, dairving and some pig-keeping

1818 Marshall: Wide variations of crop and management

> techniques including summer fallow in preparation for corn and rotation of turnip, barley, clover and wheat on lighter lands

1937 Main crops: Wheat, barley, roots 1969 Trist: More intensive cereal growing and sugar

beet

6. Enclosure:

1814 306 acres enclosed under Private Act of Lands 1809

7. Settlement:

Complete maps unavailable – see Norfolk Record Office for details

Inhabited houses: 1674 – 15, 1801 – 27, 1851 – 64, 1871 – 90, 1901

- 125, 1951 - 315, 1981 - see Norfolk

8. Communications:

Rail: 1891 3 miles Yarmouth station: Yarmouth – Lowestoft line:

opened (1903), closed for goods (1967), closed for

passengers (1970)

Yarmouth Beach – Gorleston line, opened (1903),

closed (1953)

Norwich – Yarmouth – Lowestoft line, opened (1844),

still operative

Water: River Yare: Norwich – Yarmouth navigation

9. Population:

1086 — Domesday vill of Browston - 9 recorded

1327 — 22 taxpayers paid £1. 14s. 8d.

1524 — 15 taxpayers paid (membrane illegible)

1603 — 64 adults

1674 — 17 households

1676 — Not recorded

1801 — 199 inhabitants

1831 — 257 inhabitants

1851 — 341 inhabitants

1871 — 389 inhabitants

1901 — 534 inhabitants 1931 — 757 inhabitants

1951 — 757 inhabitants

1971 — 4,360 inhabitants

1981 — see Norfolk

10. Benefice: Rectory

1254	Valued £24	
1291	Valued £28	
1535	Valued £28	
	Parsonage has 5 hearths (1674)	
	Residence built (1824), rebuilt on same site (1864)	
1831	Glebe house, gross income £605 p.a.	
1844	Modus of £632 n a in lieu of tithes	

1912 Nett value £420 p.a. 15 acres glebe, and residence

Patrons:

Richard de Bradwell (1304), Lady Katherine Fitz-Osborn (1315), John de Ufford (1348), Joanna Loudham (1384), Nicholas de Wichingham (1386), John Gernegen (1400), Jernegen and Wychingham families (1401 – 1557), John Wentworth (1597 - 1638), Jeremiah Woolley (1679), John Spencer (1683), Peter Scott (1717), Samuel Killett (1733), William Turner (1767), the Crown (1810), G. Anguish (1831), Lord S.G. Osborne (1844), Rev. J. Walker (1891), B.W. Walker (1912)

11. Church St. Nicholas

(Chancel, nave, aisles, S. porch, round tower)

Norman Tower and fragments in chancel buttress

14th cent. Main structure 1875/97 Restoration

Seats: 262 91912)

12. Nonconformity etc:

Primitive Methodist chapel built (1891)

13. Manorial:

14th cent. Alexander Falstoff owns

Circa 1510 Thomas Russhe owns (linked to Kirkley, Bawdsey and

Bucklesham)

Circa 1800 United with Bradwell Hall

Bradwell Hall

13th cent. Osbert de Daggord owns

Late 13th cent. Bartholomew D'Avilers owns (linked to

Pettistree. Erwarton and Wherstead)

John Jernegen owns (linked to Blundeston, Flixton and

Kessingland)

Circa 1534 Matthew Herman owns
Circa 1670 Johnson Burdett owns
1717 John Collins owns
1752 Elizabeth Turner owns

Sub-Manors:

Caxton Hall

- 1536 Prior and Knights of St. John of Jerusalem owns

1536 Richard Cavendish owns (linked to Belton and Wenham

Magna)

Circa 1591 John Wentworth owns (linked to Ashby, Belton, Corton,

Lound, Somerleyton and Flixton)

1672 Admiral Sir Thomas Allin owns (linked to Ashby, Belton,

Blundeston, Carlton Colville, Corton, Flixton,

Somerleyton, Mutford, Lound, Gorleston and Fritton)

Circa 1843 Lord S.G. Osborne owns (linked to Ashby, Belton,

Blundeston, Carlton Colville, Corton, Flixton, Somerleyton, Mutford, Lound and Gorleston)

1844 Samuel Morton Peto owns (linked to Ashby, Belton,

Blundeston, Carlton Colville, Corton, Flixton, Rushmere,

Mutford, Lound and Gorleston)

1885 Richard Henry Reeve owns (linked to Ashby, Belton,

Blundeston, Carlton Colville, Corton, Flixton, Rushmere,

Pakefield, Mutford, Lound, Kirkley, Gorleston and

Gisleham)

Browston Hall

Domesday vill of Browston

1066	Manor of 40 acres held by Ulfketel, a free man
1086	Manor of 40 acres belonging to the King
1066	Manor of 60 acres held by Brother, a free man
1086	Manor of 60 acres belonging to the King
17 th cent.	Possibly vested in Sir John Fastolf who gave the manor
	to Magdalen College, Oxford

Hobland Hall/Habbelond's

13th cent. Henry de Hapelond owns

Sir John Fastolf owns who gave it to Magdalen College,

Oxford

14. Markets/Fairs

Grant of Market and fair (1252/53)

15. Real property:

1844	£3,372 rental value
1891	£3,972 rateable value
1912	£4,266 rateable value

16. Land ownership:

1844/91 Land sub-divided

1912 Magdalen College, Oxford, and D.W. Bellamy, principle

owners

17. Resident gentry:

1674	lady Cooke
1844	Rev. Sir William Trivett, H.W.M. Lyte, T. Barber and W.
	White
1891	C.H. Wiltshire
1912	Col. A.G. Lucas CB MVO JP, Rev. W.C. Walker MA

18. Occupations:

1550-1599	2 yeomen, 1 husbandman
1600-1649	6 yeomen, 2 husbandmen
1650-1699	4 yeomen, 1 husbandman
1831	38 in agriculture, 6 in retail trade 6 in labouring, 15 in
	domestic service, 9 others
1844	Victuallr, schoolmistress, corn miller, blacksmith,
	boot/shoemaker, 6 farmers
1912	Sub-postmistress, schoolmaster, 14 farmers, 10 market
	gardeners, seedsman/nurseryman, blacksmith, corn/flour
	merchant, asst. Overseer, apartment keeper, farm bailiff,
	publican, shopkeeper, florist

19. Education:

Small National school built (1841), rebuilt (1867), 104 attend (1891), enlarged (1894), average attendance (1912) 101

20. Poor relief:

1776	£42. 3s. 5d.	spent on poor relief
1803	£51. 19s. 1d.	spent on poor relief
1818	£116	spent on poor relief
1830	£123. 6d.	spent on poor relief
1832	£167. 6s.	spent on poor relief
1834	£215. 8s.	spent on poor relief

21. Charities:

22. Other institutions:

1803 Friendly Societies (2) (62 members)

23. Recreation:

1844-1912 THE SUN INN public house

24. Personal:

25. Other information:

Hobland Hall: has large gardens and extensive greehouses and graperies (1844). Stands in well wooded park of 36 acres

Archaeological Sites

See Norfolk