THE LOST CITY OF SEAROBYRG: OLD SARUM AND LATE-SAXON URBANISM

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1086 Oath of Salisbury
- Domesday Book
- Canons of London Council – Diocesan shift
- Edward of Salisbury
- 1067 charter from castle at Salisbury
SALISBURY

William Naish, 1751
LOCATIONS OF MINSTERS IN ANGLO-SAXON WESSEX
WIL B3
From 1/2 mill at **SALISBURY** the King has 20s by weight.

WIL B4
From the third penny of **SALISBURY** the King has £6; from the third penny of **MARLBOROUGH**, £4; from the third penny of **CRICKLADE**, £5; from the third penny of **BATH**, £11; from the third penny of **MALMESBURY**, £6. From the increase, £60 by weight. Edward the sheriff pays this.

WIL 3, 4
The Bishop also holds **SALISBURY**. Before 1066 it paid tax for 50 hides. Land for 32 ploughs. Of this land 10 hides in lordship; 8 ploughs there. 25 villagers and 50 smallholders with 17 ploughs. In Wilton 7 burgesses who belong to this manor pay 65d. In the manor 4 mills at 47s 7d; 1/2 mill at 30s; meadow, 142 acres; pasture 20 furlongs long and 10 furlongs wide; elsewhere pasture, 5 furlongs long and 1 furlong wide; woodland 4 furlongs long and 2 furlongs wide. Of this manor's land Edward holds 5 hides, Odo 5 hides, Hugh 3 hides, less 1 virgate. The holders of these [lands] before 1066 could not be separated from the Bishop. In lordship 5 ploughs; 3 villagers and 17 smallholders with 2 ploughs. Value of the Bishop's lordship, £47; value of what the men hold, £17 10s.
WAS OLD SARUM URBAN?

- Evidence of coins minted at Old Sarum from early eleventh century
- ‘Burh thegn’ C.10th
- Coins of Edgar and Athelstan
- ASC 1003
- Aethelredian defenses at South Cadbury, David Hill’s other ‘emergency burh’
- Other Late-Saxon finds
The plan represents the line of track and road leading from the Avon south of Stratford to the downs east of Old Sarum. ‘The way into Stratford’ is the southern end of Stratford village street, and the road between the plots marked C and R is the bend in the road from Stratford to Salisbury south of the village. North-eastwards runs the present (1661) lane from Stratford to the Castle Inn, with the electing acre, now marked by the stone on the site of the Parliament Tree, on its north side. ‘The green way’ is the now lost beginning of the Roman road towards Silchester.
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HAMWIC | WINCHESTER | SOUTHAMPTON |
A.D. '1003' for 1002 (Canterbury, 11 July). King Æthelred to Æthelred, his faithful man; lease, for the lives of himself and his wife, of land in Canterbury and of 6 agri outside the city,

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EDGAR’S CODE ISSUED AT ‘WIHTBORDESSTAN’ (IV EDGAR) 962-963

- witnesses to purchases made outside the boroughs (chps. 6, 6.1, 6.2)
- ‘riding out’ to make purchases (chp. 7)
- bringing in of purchased livestock to common pasture for witnessing (chp. 8)
- concerned with witnesses and cattle purchases, rustling and illegal trading (chps. 9, 10 and 11)

A.D. 962. KING EDGAR TO ABINGDON ABBEY; GRANT OF A VINEYARD AT WATCHET, SOMERSET, AND MISCELLANEOUS RIGHTS INCLUDING ROYAL DUES AT SOUTHAMPTON, AT HWITAN CLIFE, AND AT PORTMANNA HYTHE (S 701)