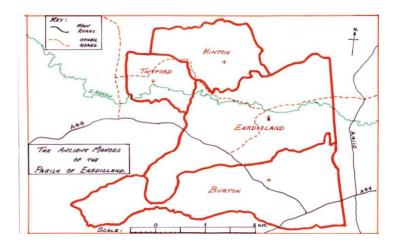
The Manor of Eardisland.

## INTRODUCTION.

The Manor of Eardisland was one of the four manors within the parish of Eardisland, the others being Burton, Hinton, and Twyford.

Documentary research carried out on the boundaries of the other manors in the parish led to the production of a drawing which gives some idea of the position of those boundaries, which, with the assistance of the parish boundary, also gives an indication of the extent of the manor of Eardisland.

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There is no doubt that there was Roman activity in the area which became the Manor of Eardisland; indeed the eastern boundary is the line of a Roman road. There is also archaeological evidence here well pre-dating the Roman period, but that is for others to interpret and write about.

The earliest documentary reference to Eardisland dates to 1067-1071 when it is recorded as "Werlesluna" in 'Gallia Christiana'. 2

Then in Domesday Book, 1086, the manor is the second of the two entries headed "Lene" at folio 179d.<sup>3</sup>

Domesday Book brings us to the end of the period of time to be covered by this Introduction. Various Papers towards "A History of the Manor of Eardisland" now follow.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Selfe, P.[Ed]., and others: "A Case Study of Burton Court in the Parish of Eardisland" Saxon Press. 2006.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Piolin, P(ed.) 'Gallia Christiana' Paris 1874, Vol.xi ...via... Coplestone-Crow, B. "Herefordshire Place-Names. BAR British Series 214. 1989.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Phillimore & Co. Ltd's edition. Volume 17. Chichester 1983.