

Date

Ellingham

Kirby Cane

1790	Charles Garneys' estate at Ellingham (including Calves Meadow, Stackyard Meadow, Further Ploughed Piece, Second Ploughed Piece, Middle Piece, Road Piece) between the road to Geldeston Staithe and Ellingham Common (approximately the field between school and main road) was surveyed.	The Rev Henry Wilson was building the Parsonage. His daughter, Charlotte was born, at a small farmhouse nearby. She was later to marry Abbott Upcher. She had accompanied Elizabeth Fry to the Bishop of London to set up a society of "nursing sisters".
1791	The watermill was occupied by John and Lincoln Matchett, probably sons of the merchant Robert Matchett who died in 1759.	
1792		At Thetford Assizes, Francis Spruce was sentenced to 2 years imprisonment for stealing a silver table spoon from the Rev. H. Wilson.
1793	Israel Dunnet, Constable, listed checking weights and measures among the duties for which he claimed recompense.	
1794	Harvests were poor during this period. Winter the coldest since records began.	
1795	Surveyed by William Faden, Ellingham, Kirby Cane and Geldeston Common ran from Ellingham village, then clustered around the White Horse Public House near the Langford Bridge, to The Hill, Geldeston.	
1796	<p>Mr Pope received from Mr Bonfellow (churchwarden) £10 for painting the Ten Commandments and the King's Arms in the church.</p> <p>Under the will of Lord Howard de Walden, Lord Braybrooke, the income from the Rectory was to be given as an endowment for the Mastership of Magdalen College, Cambridge under Trusteeship.</p> <p>Thomas Howes repaired the Budgate on the common (4s-6d), made and inserted a new window in the steeple and fixed the bell wheel (£2-10s).</p> <p>An Association (of Gentlemen, Farmers and other persons) for the prosecution of house-breakers and horse stealers and other felons was advertised in the Norfolk Chronicle to meet at the Kings Head in Brooke.</p>	<p>Michael Maurice, Unitarian minister lived at Kirby Cane, holding services in his house and in Geldeston. He was also took pupils at £60 per annum.</p> <p>There was a very bad winter this year. Sharp frosts in late June, so that shorn sheep died of cold. The harvest was less than a 1/4 of its normal volume.</p>

