

The ownership of Nomansland Common was for many years disputed by the monasteries of St Albans and Westminster and by the manors of Sandridge and Wheathampstead. The dispute was settled by a jury in 1429 when it was agreed that the two abbeys would share grazing rights and beat the boundaries according to their own claims. The Common is now divided between the parishes of Wheathampstead and Sandridge. The boundary is marked by a piece of Hertfordshire Puddingstone which was recently moved, after no little discussion, from a location uncomfortably close to the cricket pitch to a location between the boundary and the Sandridge/Wheathampstead road.