

# Hampshire Mills Group Newsletter



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This painting, which hangs in Preston Manor, Brighton shows the **West Mill** of the old Brighthelmstone (later to become Brighton) being moved on 28 March 1797 to a new site at Preston two miles away. 86 oxen were used to pull the sled on which the mill had been mounted. According to the caption on the painting, the oxen belonged to the following gentlemen: W Stanford Esq, Messrs Hodson, Hamshar, Scrase, Trill, Hall & Hardwicke. The area where the mill originally stood was known as Belle Vue Fields and is now known as Regency Square.

*This was one of the pictures that Peter Hill used to illustrate his talk about Sussex Mills at the March HMG meeting.*