REVIEW

MEDIEVAL SHERIFFS OF SURREY, SUSSEX AND THE SUSSEX RAPES 1066-1400

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This work gives details of the sheriffs of Surrey and Sussex in the period 1066-1400 (the two counties having had a single sheriff from 1242). As well as the royal sheriffs, it also covers the honorial sheriffs of the five Sussex rapes of Arundel, Bramber, Lewes, Pevensey and Hastings in the period *c.*1080-1154.

An 11-page introduction discusses the historical development of the office and some of its early holders. There are then chronological lists of the royal sheriffs of Surrey and Sussex. The main body of the work consists of detailed biographical and genealogical notes on the sheriffs, including references to primary and secondary sources. It concludes with a 6-page bibliography.

The work is presented as a single PDF file on CD (requiring Adobe Reader version 5 or higher), and can therefore easily be searched for words or parts of words.

Evidently a tremendous amount of work has gone into compiling this information, and it seems sure to become an indispensable reference work for those researching the medieval genealogy and local history of Surrey and Sussex.