

## **The Rent Roll Books for Dreenan**

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The following is extracts from the Rent Roll books for the Earl of Stafford's Bellaghy Estate.

Dreenan was part of the Bellaghy Estate along with most of Lavey, Bellaghy, Greenlough and parts of Maghera including Fallagloon. The estate was leased from the Earl (Sir Robert Bateson Bart.) to the Vintners of London. It was further sublet to the local tenant farmers

### ***1718 Vintners portion of land of Drinane (Dreenan) & Eden***

<i>Name</i>	<i>Area</i>	<i>Rent</i>
James Downing	Five Eights of Drinane (Dreenan)	£8
David Mulholland	Three Eights of Drinane and all of Eden	£20

### ***1729 Vintners portion of land (Dreenan)***

<i>Number</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Yearly Rent</i>
41	Lev. David Mulholland	£21
40	J.A. Downing	£8

### ***1775-82 Rent Books for Dreenan***

<i>Leaser</i>	<i>Yearly Rent</i>			
	<i>1775</i>	<i>1776</i>	<i>1781</i>	<i>1782</i>
John Downing	£25	£25	£12	£12
Henry Mulholland & Co.	£27	£27	£12	£12
Phelemy O'Neill & Co.	£26	£26	£14	£13

**1788-90 Rent Books for Dreenan**

<i>Leaser</i>	<i>Yearly Rent</i>		
	<i>1788</i>	<i>1789</i>	<i>1790</i>
John Downing	£12		
Henry Henry & Partners	£12	£17	£17
John Mulholland & Partners	Inc Above	£21	£21
Henry Mulholland	Inc Above		
Phelemy O'Neill & Co.	£14	£11	£11
James O'Neill & Bryan Higgins	Inc above	£11	£11
Hugh Convery & Partners	Inc above	£20	£20

**1793 Rent Books for Dreenan**

<i>Leaser</i>	<i>Yearly Rent</i>
John Downing	£25
Henry Henry & Partners	£17
John Mulholland & Partners	£21
Phelemy O'Neill	£11
James O'Neill & Bryan Higgins	£11
Hugh Convery & Partners	£20