

## **Deborah Griffiths**

### **The hub of the medieval house.**

Here we are in the hall, and this is the hub of the domestic life in medieval times, and essentially one room did it all in those days, so in this room people would have slept, they would have ate, they would have sat, they would have cooked and really a very strong communal life. And what's the great joy of Higher Uppacott really is that you actually see the development from the medieval house where everything is shared, including accommodation between people and animals, to our understanding of what a modern house is, where you've got specialist rooms, you've got bedrooms, you've got private sitting rooms, you've got a room devoted to cooking; so we can see the development through the centuries, in Higher Uppacott, from medieval to modern.