**Camp 137b** **- Winsford Towers Camp, Halwill, Beaworthy, Devon**

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| **Location:** About 10 km SE of Holsworthy. I wondered if the camp may have been in Winsford Gardens and contacted the owner, who told me that; “Before the last owners of the walled gardens changed everything, there was a second world war Nissen hut surviving in the gardens.”  **Before the camp:**  **Pow Camp:** Most probably a sub-camp  Information received, (with thanks to Shawn, Holsworthy Museum historian):    “*The camp at Winsford Towers was little more than a small satellite camp, under the control of Camp 42 (Exhibition Field Camp), Holsworthy.*    *The site of the camp had previously been occupied by a number of American Units, (mainly engineer and ammunition coys.) and was predominantly a tented camp. Becoming ‘vacant’ after June ’44, it was utilised as a small satellite camp.*    *Although I have not been able to confirm it, it seems probable that it was occupied only briefly, (probably not until Sep/Oct ’44 to early ’45 – after the arrival of the first German Prisoners at Camp 42.  I don’t have my research to hand, but from memory, I seem to recall that it does not appear on an early 1945 list included in a report of a PP visit to Camp 42, although other satellite camps (Werrington, Boyton, etc) do*.” |  |
| Ordnance Survey 1950 |

**After the camp:**

**Further Information:**