

**10A: East Coker Parish Council Minutes 1896-1971**

Source: South West Heritage Trust (SWHT)

References: D/PC/Cok.e/1/2/1 - 10

SHC D/PC/Cok.e/1/2/1

7 July 1896

was postponed. The clerk was directed to write Mr Runsbey asking him to cut <sup>back</sup> a hedge leading from Sheepslake towards Burton

SHC D/PC/Cok.e/1/2/2

4 November 1899

Mr Cheppin gave requested the Council's permission to alter & divert the road through Sheepsleight which was unanimously agreed to.

SHC D/PC/Cok.e/1/2/3

20 May 1925

Sheepslake lane. Mr Crompler informed the meeting that a tracing of the old roadway was being prepared by Mr Sney for the County Council.

SHC D/PC/cok.e/1/2/4

19 December 1950

3. SURVEY OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY.  
Prop; Mr. A. Board that all Paths remain as on original Parish map Sec by Mr. R.A. Cornelius and carried.  
the leading from Redlands

SHC D/PC/Cok.e/1/2/5

2 June 1965

The lane at the junction of Burton Chapel with Herne Lane. A letter from the Div. Surveyor stated that this is not publically repairable & is not on the claimed list of footpaths in the Parish. The clerk was asked to look this up on the map & if the lane wasn't on to ask the Surveyor to add it to the list of claimed footpaths.

SHC D/PC/Cok.e/1/2/6

14 July 1965

The lane from Burton Chapel to Herne Lane. A letter from the Divisional Surveyor stated that the County Works Committee would be recommended to accept this lane as a footpath & arrangements had been made to clear the overgrowth.

SHC D/PC/Cok.e/1/2/7

11 August 1971

Name-plate by North Lodge. A letter from the Y.R.D.C. said when Mrs. Mandesley was contacted for permission to erect the sign 'Longlands Lane', she said the name of the lane is Sheepslake Lane & this is the name preferred by the local residents. It was agreed that a letter be sent that the name Longlands Lane had been decided by the P.C. after much thought & Sheepslake Lane applies only to the lane from Sheepslake House to the footpath leading to Herne Lane. Three of the four residents approached are agreeable to the name Longlands Lane & the P.C. see no reason why the correct name should not be used.

10 October 1971

lane by North Lodge. A letter had been sent to Mr. P. Mitchell stating that 2 maps - one dated 1888 confirmed that Sheepslake Lane is the path which runs at right angles from Longlands Lane to Burton Chapel & the P.C. re-affirms that the lane in question should be called Longlands Lane.

SHC D/PC/Cok.e/1/2/8

8 November 1978

*Mr. Bugler  
Footpaths. It was agreed to write again  
to the YDC Tech. Dept. about the complaints  
received regarding the general state of  
the footpaths in the village particularly  
Sheepstake Lane & Herne Lane.*

**10B: East Coker Parish Council Correspondence**

Letter to Clerk, 3 March 1925

Source: SWHT

Reference: SHC D/PC/Cok.e/6/4/1

**EHH/AL.**

BATTEN & CO  
SOLICITORS.  
H. C. C. BATTEN.  
TELE. NO 152.

CHURCH HOUSE,  
YEOVIL.

3rd March, 1925.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the  
28th ult., no part of Sheepstake Lane,  
East Coker was conveyed to either of the  
persons mentioned by you.

Yours faithfully,

*H. R. Headford*

H. R. Headford, Esq.,  
Clerk to East Coker Parish Council,  
East Coker,  
YEOVIL.

**10C: East Coker Parish Council Footpath Map 1928-1933**

Source: SWHT

Reference: SHC D/PC/Cok.e/6/4/1



Note: application route is shaded brown.

**10D: Definitive Map and Statement Preparation Records**

Source: SWHT

Reference: SHC D/PC/cok.e/4/1/17

do.	9/46	B.R. <sup>*</sup>	From end of County road at sewage tanks, west along lane to County road by chapel.	90NW
do.	9/47	B.R.	From County road at Foxhole east along Dunnock's Lane to County road (Pavyotts Lane).	90NW
do.	9/48	F.P.	From path 9/35 south to County road just west of Garden Row.	90NW
do.	9/49	CRF.	From end of County road by Naish Priory, west and south-west to spot height 233 on County road.	{ 90NW 89NE
do.	9/50	CRF.	From County road by chapel, north along Chapel Lane, thence east to Nash Lane.	{ 90NW 89NE
do.	9/51	CRF.	From County road at Placket, north-west along Placket Lane to unclassified road by Furzy Knap.	90NW
do.	9/52	CRF.	From County road at Placket west to Gunville Lane.	90NW
ington Mandeville		F.P.	From County boundary as continuation from Dorset, north to join path 10/32 south of Romsey Farm.	
do.		F.P.	From junction of paths 10/31 and 10/28, south around Ashland Coppice, along lane past Coal Pits Coppice, thence west to join path 10/32.	

x F.P. on map.

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10E: Yeovil Rural District Council Minutes 1899-1900

Source: SWHT

Reference: SHC D/R/yeo/2/2/3

6 November 1899

East Coker repair  
of Sheepslake  
Lane.

An offer by G. J. Chafyn-Grove, Esq., to improve and repair Sheepslake Lane, East Coker, by straightening it and raising the road and putting a culvert under it, was, (upon the motion of Mr S. G. Partlett, seconded by Mr J. W. Pearce) accepted with thanks.

Surveyor's Report, 8 October 1900

Gentlemen,

I beg to report that the improvements to the lane at Sheepslight, North Coker, are completed according to the plans laid before and sanctioned by this Council. The lane is now open to the public and gives great satisfaction, as the distance has been shortened by the lane being made straight; the hill lowered, and the roadway widened. The entire expense has been borne by G. J. Chafyn Grove, Esq.

(1) Adopted  
thanks to  
Chafyn Grove

**10F: Yeovil Rural District Council Works Committee Minutes 1924-1928**

Source: SWHT

References: SHC D/R/yeo/3/1/7 1922-1925 & D/R/yeo/3/1/8, 1925-1928

D/R/yeo/3/1/7

19 December 1924

19th December, 1924.

EAST COKER : ROAD FROM HUNTER'S LODGE TO BURTON :

The East Coker Parochial Committee having complained of the condition of this Road, the Clerk was directed to communicate with the Clerk of the Peace for the County of Somerset and endeavour to ascertain the conditions upon which Quarter Sessions, some 25 years ago, consented to the Diversion of this Road, as possibly the same might throw some light upon the question of who was liable for the repair of the Road.

16 January 1925

2. EAST COKER : ROAD FROM HUNTER'S LODGE TO BURTON :

A letter was read from the Clerk of the Peace for the County of Somerset, stating that an Order was made at the Michaelmas Quarter Sessions 1899 for the stopping up of a footway commencing at a point close to the North West corner of North Coker Park and running in a north westerly and northerly direction to the Highway adjoining Nash House. There was nothing in this Order as to liability for the upkeep and maintenance of the bridleway.

Mr. Crumpler stated that the footpath referred to in this Order was not the one under consideration at the last Meeting, and the Surveyor was instructed to prepare a plan showing the road in question to enable the Clerk to communicate with the Clerk of the Peace again.

SHC D/R/yeo/3/1/8

12 February 1926

3. EAST COKER - ROAD FROM HUNTER'S LODGE TO BURTON:

A communication was read from the East Coker Parochial Committee, enquiring whether any decision had been arrived at as to the liability for the up-keep and repair of this Road.

The District Surveyor presented a letter he had received from the Clerk to the County Council, stating that he was unable to find any Order of Quarter Sessions dealing with the Lane referred to, but that it was very unlikely that any Order would contain a direction as to the liability for maintenance of a substituted Highway.

The Clerk was instructed to inform the Parish Council accordingly, and to add that the District Council could not admit liability for the repair of the Lane.



15 May 1934

(B) EAST COKER:

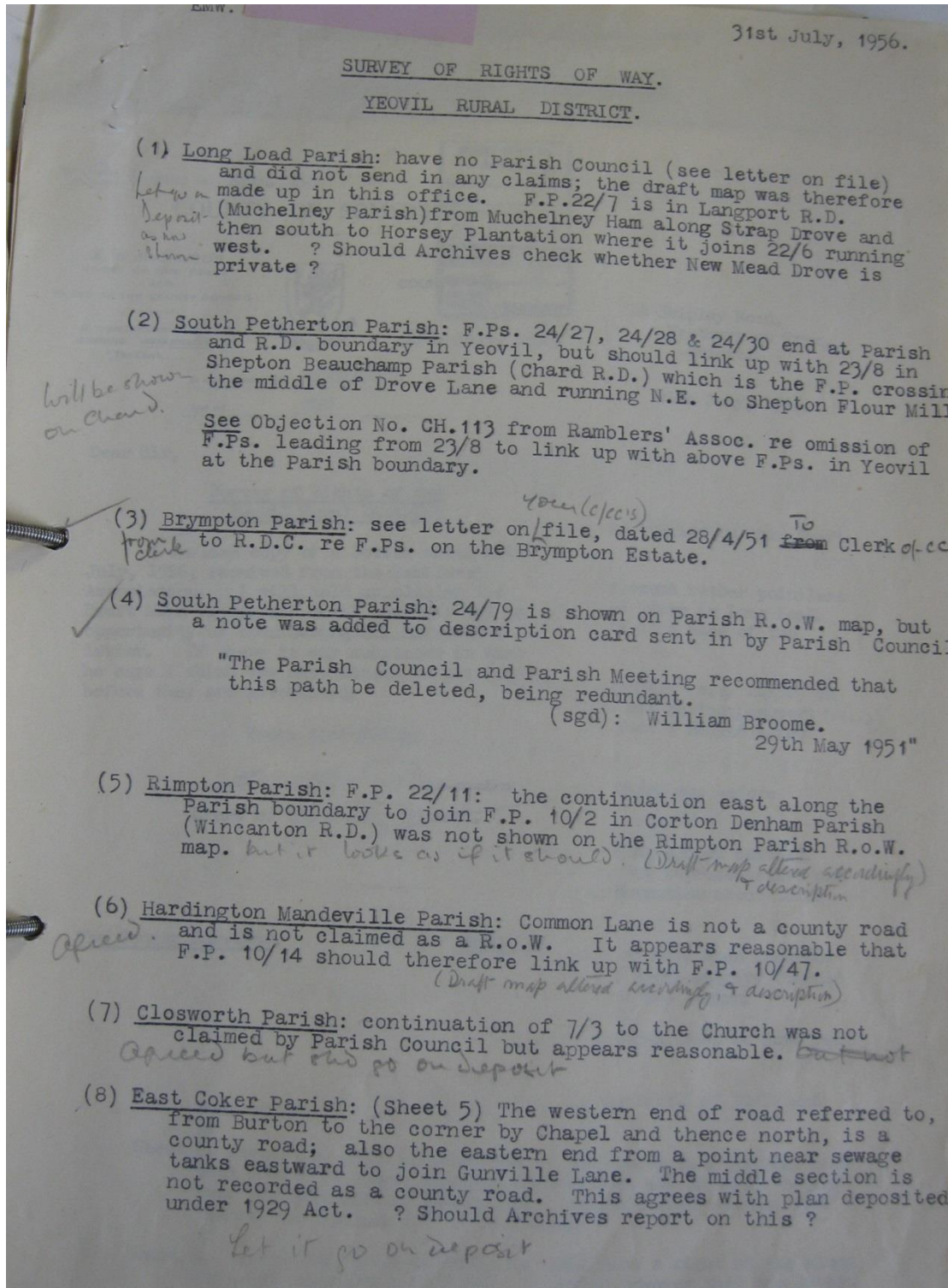
The East Coker Parish Council, with a letter dated 15th May, 1934, forwarded a map of East Coker Parish with the footpaths claimed as public Rights of Way marked thereon.

This was noted.

**10G: Yeovil General File: Survey of Rights of Way 1956**

Source: SCC

Reference: RW/Gen 5



Note: pencil note below final paragraph reads, "Let it go on deposit".

**10H: East Coker Parish File 1965**

Source: SCC

Reference: RW/5/45

5 June 1965

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter dated 24th September 1964, ref.4/08 (DS) regarding the lane leading from Burton Chapel to Herne Lane which is overgrown.

This lane is marked on the map owned by this Council dated 1933, so will you please add it to the list of claimed footpaths, that work may be carried out on it.

9 June 1965

Public Rights of Way - East Coker

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter I have received from East Coker Parish Council which is self explanatory. The footpath referred to is not continuous and it would seem reasonable to comply with their request.

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Divisional Surveyor.

*DS. is identifying this  
14.6.65 Jm*

SEARCHED TO  
ACTION  
TAKEN

21 June 1965

Public Rights of Way - East Coker

Further to my memorandum of the 9th June, I have now received confirmation from the Clerk to the East Coker Parish Council that the footpath that they wish to include is that one leading due east from Burton Chapel (Somerset Sheet XC North West). This footpath crosses 9/35 and continues eastward to join the County unclassified road near the sewage tanks.

The Parish Council have also requested that a further section of footpath be taken over. This footpath runs from the south-west corner of North Coker Park (Somerset Sheet XC North West) from the point where footpath 9/35 turns south-east. You will see from the Ordnance Sheet that a track runs from this point for a short distance south, then for a short distance west, joining the Class III road near Bench Mark 203.2. It is this section of track that the Parish Council wish to be included as a footpath.

29 June 1965

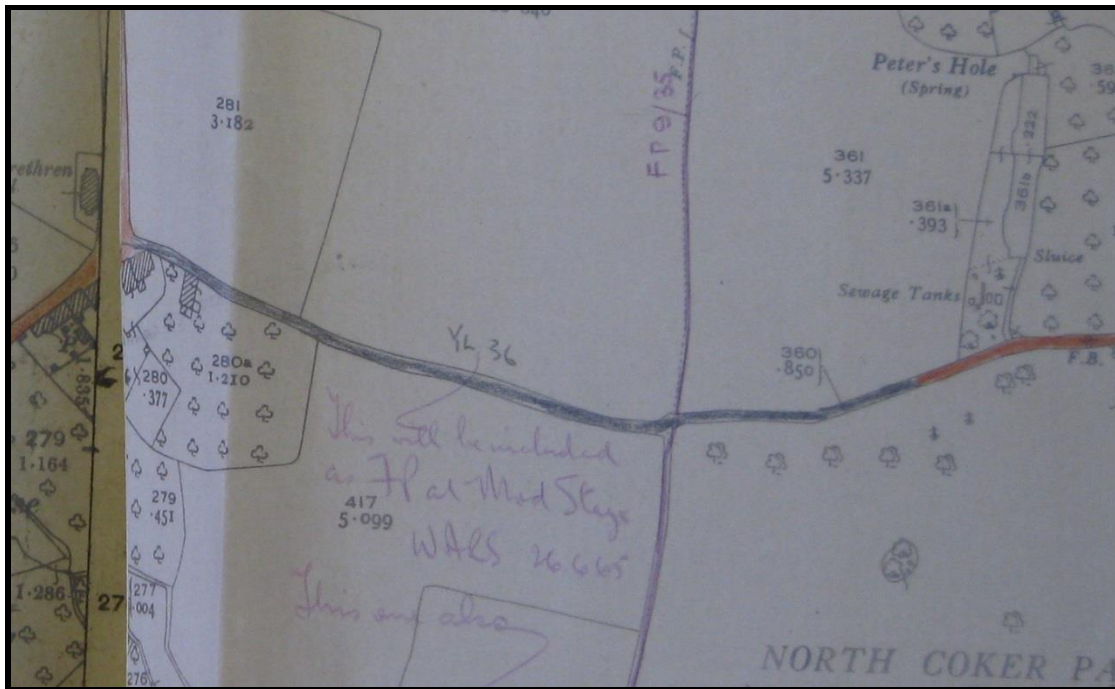
In reply to your letter dated the 21st June, 1965, I have verified that the two ways referred to were not claimed by the Parish Council in the original survey. There has however been an objection lodged to their omission as footpaths and the Committee will be recommended to accept them as such. I shall be obliged if you would treat them as such and carry out any clearance of surface growth. Please charge the work to code 9/1.

30 June 1965

Survey of Rights of Way  
Parish of East Coker  
YL.36

I am writing to inform you that I propose to advise the surveying authority to add a public footpath to the Draft Map in this case.

Undated plan



Note: pencil note below final paragraph reads, "This will be added at Mod stage WARS 26/06/65".