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CATALOGUE OF INCLOSURE MAPS

Introduction

This Catalogue is a self contained section of a wider Catalogue of Manuscript Maps in the Hertfordshire Record Office in the process of compilation with a view to eventual publication. It contains entries for all inclosure maps - those enrolled with the Clerk of the Peace, those found with parish records, ecclesiastical or civil, those found amongst estate, solicitors' or land agents and surveyors' records and other forms of copies e.g. photocopies or tracings - known to be in the custody of the office in January, 1968.

Sources of the Maps

The provisions of local and private inclosure acts and of the General Inclosure Acts, 1801-1845, enjoined the enrolment or deposit of inclosure awards and maps either with the Clerk of the Peace or in one of the central Courts of Justice in Westminster and another copy was to be deposited amongst the parish records in the custody of the incumbent and churchwardens. Occasionally, a copy would be made for the principal landowners or lord of the manor and may thus have come into the custody of the Record Office with the archives of the estate or the owner's agent. Parish copies may have been received with the ecclesiastical parish records or with the civil parish records, having passed into the custody of the Parish Council or Parish Meeting under the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1894, as to the custody of parochial documents. Some parish copies received from private hands may have strayed from parochial custody.

The maps enrolled or deposited with the Clerk of the Peace are denoted by the reference Q/SE followed by their serial numeration in that series. Inclosure maps received with ecclesiastical parish records are denoted by the reference D/P followed by a serial number and those received with civil parish records by the reference CP followed by a serial number. Maps received from other sources bear either a simple serial number reference or a more complex identification which should be quoted.

The existence of a map may generally denote the existence of an accompanying award, in which the details of the allotments of land shown on the map will be verbally described. The existence of an award, however, does not necessarily guarantee the existence of a map. In Transactions of the East Hertfordshire Archaeological Society, vol. xii, pt. 1 for 1945-46, published in 1947, W.E. Tate prints a list of all known inclosure awards for the county and an annotated copy of his list is available in the Record Office Search Room. A list of inclosure awards and maps enrolled with or deposited amongst the records of the Court of Quarter Sessions will be found in Guide to the Hertfordshire Record Office, Part I pp. 186-192.

A working card index of inclosure documents - awards, maps, commissioners' minutes, acts and bills and other papers - is available for consultation in the Record Office Search Room.

A useful introduction to the processes and procedures of inclosure and to the documents resulting from them is to be found in W.E. Tate The English Village Community and the Enclosure Movements (Victor Gollancz, 1967), particularly chapters 9 and 10.

A word of caution may be useful at this point to emphasise that an inclosure award sets out a new pattern of land holding and details new arrangements. It is this new situation which an inclosure map illustrates and not the pattern as it existed prior to the inclosure of open or common fields and lands. For this reason, unless a pre-inclosure map showing common fields and a pattern of strip cultivation or unless (as is noted in this Catalogue) the post inclosure pattern is superimposed on the pre-inclosure pattern on the same map, it is difficult to say what precisely were the changes on the face of the land, brought about by any particular inclosure.

Notes on the form of entry

This follows basically the general form of entry for the larger Catalogue of Manuscript Maps and gives the following details:-

- 1) the name of the parish followed by the date of the map as given on the map or, in square brackets, as supplied from another source;
- 2) the reference number of the map;
- 3) the scale, converted from chains to the inch, to inches to the mile;
- 4) the physical dimensions of the map in inches, vertical measurement first;
- 5) the name of the surveyor (or in the case of post 1845 maps, the valuer, who normally was responsible for the map) and his place of work or other address, as appearing on the map or in square brackets, as supplied from other sources or, more rarely, as inferred on stylistic grounds;
- 6) a description of the physical features shown on the map (other than common features such as field boundaries, buildings, watercourses, highways and footpaths) and an indication of the area or part of the parish covered, if less than the whole parish;
- 7) beneath this, where applicable, a reference to other copies of the map is given;
- 8) cross references to other maps affecting a particular parish.

ALBURY, [1869]

QS/E 1

26.7in. to 1m. 63 x 51

Arthur Nockolds, Birchanger

Scattered parts of parish. Buildings and woodlands shown. Commons and common fields named.

ALDENHAM, 1803

QS/E 3

6½in. to 1m. 53 x 30 [Map 26 x 30, reference 27 x 30] Edward Betham

Excludes the hamlet of Theobald Street. Roads named, houses and other buildings shown, woodlands coloured; large houses, farms, heaths and greens named; ponds, moats and reservoir shown. Cartouche of cornucopia. Table of references attached to bottom of map.

Parish copy CP3

GREAT AMWELL, 1863

QS/E 6

Map 'A' 40in. to 1m. 30 x 74

Crawter & Death, Enfield & Cheshunt

Crane Mead and Amwell Marsh only. Shows river Lee, New River, Lee Navigation, locks, bridges and Hertford and Ware Branch Railway.

Parish copy D/P4. Tracing of map 83155.

GREAT AMWELL, 1863

QS/E 7A

Map 'B' 13.3in. to 1m. 26 x 37

Crawter & Death

Crane Mead and Amwell Marsh. Plan of commonable messuages. Rivers, navigation, railway shown. Enlarged plan of road and houses at Amwell End [Ware].

GREAT AMWELL, [1861]

QS/E 7B

20in. to 1m. 39 x 22

William Thomas Heard, Hitchin

Ware Marsh only. New River and railway shown.

Parish copy D/P4

GREAT AMWELL, see also HODDESDON AND GREAT AMWELL

GREAT AND LITTLE AMWELL [St. Johns] [1840]
and ST. MARGARETS

QS/E 4B

13.3in. to 1m. 33 x 41

John Austin Nockolds, Stansted Mountfitchet

Parts of parishes. Common fields only. Adjoining owners named; footpaths and rivers shown; some roads named.

Parish copy CP4 and D/P4

LITTLE AMWELL, see GREAT AND LITTLE AMWELL

ASHWELL, [1863]

QS/E 9

26.7in. to 1m. 134 x 78

John Bailey Denton, Stevenage

Map covers whole parish, but only area affected by enclosure shown in detail. Woodlands; some fields, roads and tracks named; buildings and moat shown. Royston and Hitchin Railway.

Parish copy CP8

- ASPENDEN, [1869] QS/E 10
 26.7in. to 1m. 56 x 46 Charles Frederick Adams, Barkway
 Part of parish and 17 acres in Throcking; some land in Wakeley "Extra Parochial"; some field names; Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway.
- ASTON, 1857 QS/E 11
 26.7in. to 1m. 96 x 52 John Bailey Denton, Stevenage
 Open and common fields, and Little Brookfield in Aston and Benington. Names of places and common fields; old inclosures edged green, open fields edged red, old inclosures to be allotted coloured green.
- ASTON, see also BENINGTON, ASTON AND LITTLE MUNDEN
- BARKWAY and REED, 1808 D/P 13
 8.8in. to 1m. 46 x 42 -
 Whole parishes; detailed map; turnpike gate, houses, lettered key to manorial property; roads and fields named; owners named, and acreages inserted; old inclosures coloured green.
- BARNET, 1818 QS/E 13
 13.3in. to 1m. 26 x 20 (each map) Thomas Denton
 Manors of Chipping and East Barnet in parish of Barnet. Five maps (bound with Award) in detail on parchment each showing houses (large properties named), streams etc.; adjoining parishes named.
- BENGEO, SACOMBE and STAPLEFORD, 1851 QS/E 14
 26.7in. to 1m. 54 x 48 Washbourne and Keen, Cannon Row, Westminster
 Commons, common fields only; names given; roads shown, little detail.
- BENINGTON, ASTON and LITTLE MUNDEN, 1857 QS/E 15
 26.7in. to 1m. 84 x 52 John Bailey Denton, Stevenage
 Little Brookfield and Leatherfield Commons, and open fields. Fields, inns, lanes, farms and some houses named. Open fields outlined in brown, old inclosures in green; road directions given. Church shown.
Parish copy D/P 18
- LITTLE BERKHAMSTEAD, [1842] QS/E 17
 13.3in. to 1m. 30 x 26 Thomas Boyn Mallam
 Part of parish; buildings shown, including "Strattons Folly"; footpaths. Map adapted from earlier map made for Poor Rate.
Parish copy D/P 20
- BISHOP'S STORTFORD and FARNHAM (ESSEX), 1822 QS/E 82
 13.3in. to 1m. 30 x 32 John King, Saffron Walden
 Relevant parts of parishes only; some roads named; river and mill shown; roads coloured brown, exchanges outlined in red.

BRAUGHING, [1820]

QS/E 19

13.3in. to 1m. 42 x 39 + 14 x 12 at bottom left of map. Samuel Kempson Simmons

Whole parish; showing boundary trees, Pest House, mills and farms (named); cottages and houses; some roads named; copyhold and freehold distinguished.

BROXBOURNE, [1843]

QS/E 20

26.7in. to 1m. 38 x 30

H. Crawter & Sons, Cheshunt

Part of parish; freehold coloured pink, old inclosures blue; copyhold green, old inclosures yellow. Roads, rivers, mill, streams, and one inn named; church, railway, almshouses shown; key on map.

BROXBOURNE, 1849

QS/E 21

Map 'A' 26.7in. to 1m. 32 x 37

William Heard, Hitchin

Lamas Meads. River, railway and church shown.

BROXBOURNE, 1850

QS/E 21

Map 'B' 13.3in. to 1m. 21 x 57

Whole parish. Tithe numbers. River, railway and commonable messuages shown.

Parish or manorial copy B 1468

BUCKLAND, 1853

D/P 25

Map 'A' 26.7in. to 1m. 69 x 59

Enclosed area only; village sketched in; allotments shown, common fields named; footpaths and roads shown; woodland distinguished; some other fields named.

Map 'B' 13.3in. to 1m. 38 x 37

Area as in Map 'A'. Field numbers [? tithes], strips shown, field names.

Further sealed copy AR 290

BUSHEY, 1806

D/P 26

No scale 17 x 26 (each)

Two plans: (1) Bushey Meadow; acreages shown, river; adjoining owners named.

(2) Bushey Heath: road directions given; ponds shown; fields numbered [?tithe numbers]

BUSHEY

D/P 26

[c 40in. to 1m.] 44 x 56

Copy of above maps. Same details; partly coloured; copyhold and freehold added.

CODICOTE, WELWYN and KNEBORTH, 1819

QS/E 22

No scale [c. 12in. to 1m.] 18 x 13

Part of parishes - Rabley Heath area. Maps endorsed on membranes of Award. Buildings and fulling mill shown; river; boundaries between Welwyn and Codicote shown.

See also 80089: plan of common field showing allotments "as inclosed 1805" [? by exchange]; surveyed by E. Johnson, Stanborough, Hatfield; small sketch of Parsonage.

COTTERED, [1810]

QS/E 23

8.9in. to 1m. 28 x 22

Whole parish. Map bound with award. Old inclosures coloured green with ? tithe numbers inserted. Lane and farms named.

DATCHWORTH and KNEBORTH, 1867

D/P 33

26.7in. to 1m. 38 x 45

Slidingdale, Pinkers, Swangleys, Oak Tree, and Datchworth Commons.

FARNHAM (ESSEX) see BISHOP'S STORTFORD AND FARNHAM

LITTLE GADDESSEN, 1846

QS/E 27

26.7in. to 1m. 15 x 21

James Louis Alty, Little Gaddesden

Part of parish, four allotments only. Fields outlined in black, road coloured brown. Reference on map.

LITTLE HADHAM, 1859

QS/E 28

26.7in. to 1m. 51 x 44

Thomas Boyn Mallam

Westfield, Task Field, South Field, Bugwood, Old House Field and Cooks Corner Commons. Rivers, fords, woodlands and buildings shown. Windmill depicted.

HERTFORD, [1808]

QS/E 30

St. Johns, and Liberty of
Brickendon in All Saints parish.

No scale given, probably not to scale. 19 x 24 Edward Johnson, Cole Green, Hertford.

Buildings depicted (castle, Priory Farm, gaol etc.), Corporation posts, locks, mills, mile-stones shown; fields named. Reference in top half of sheet.

HERTINGFORDBURY, [1813]

QS/E 32

10in. to 1m. 29 x 24

Edward Johnson, Cole Green, Hertford.

Part of parish. Inset: plans of premises in Maidenhead Street and Hertingfordbury Road, Hertford [Scale: c. 144in. to 1m.]. Copyholds marked, fields named, buildings and river shown. Earl Cowper's property coloured green, William Baker's brown. Similar map in Panshanger collection: surveyed Edward Johnson, 20in. to 1m.; coloured; sketch of Hertingfordbury Church inset.

HEXTON, [1872]

QS/E 35

26.7in. to 1m. 19 x 24

Cow Common only. Roads marked; river, bridges, footways and watercourses shown.

HINKWORTH, [1806]

QS/E 36

13.3in. to 1m. 29 x 50

Whole parish. All properties numbered and referred to in "Reference" inset on map. Roads and fields named; ponds shown; buildings coloured red, trees green; neat cartouche.

HODDESDON, [1841]

QS/E 39A & B

26.7in. to 1m. 17 x 21

Lampits Close only. Allotted lands edged pink; rivers shown; lane named; some adjoining owners named.

HODDESDON and GREAT AMWELL, 1854

QS/E 40

26.7in. to 1m. 58 x 60

Most of parish of Hoddesdon, part of Great Amwell. No details of the town. Roads, railway, river, mills, parish boundaries shown.

GREAT HORMEAD, [1823]

QS/E 42

13.3in. to 1m. 30 x 39

Anthony Jackson, Barkway

Whole parish [exonerates from tithes]. Old inclosures, copyholds and freehold distinguished; buildings shown; roads and common fields named; inset "Mutton Hall" and lands and reference to small old inclosures.

LITTLE HORMEAD
(and parts of Braughing)

AR 290

26.7in. to 1m. 67 x 51

Draft map, surveyor's copy. Tithe numbers with enclosure numbers added, boundaries altered.

IPPOLLITTS, 1816

QS/E 45

c 13.3in. to 1m. 42 x 48

Thomas Lilburne, Cardington, Beds.

Whole parish [exonerates from tithes]. Adjoining parishes, houses and places, allotments and roads named; old inclosures coloured green, roads brown; buildings, woods and trees shown; lanes and highways, gates, ponds and ford.

KNEBWORTH see CODICOTE, WELWYN & KNEBWORTH
and see DATCHWORTH & KNEBWORTH

MEESDEN, 1841

QS/E 48

13.3in. to 1m. 18 x 21

Common fields. Road directions; adjoining owners named; trees shown; copyhold and freehold distinguished.

Parish copy D/P 68

GREAT MUNDEN, 1852

QS/E 51

20in. to 1m. 64 x 88

John Austin Nockolds, Stansted Mountfitchet

Commons and common fields only; roads and buildings shown; few other details.

LITTLE MUNDEN, 1852

QS/E 52

26.7in. to 1m. 72 x 62

John Austin Nockolds, Stansted Mountfitchet

Commons and common fields only. Roads shown, few other details.

LITTLE MUNDEN, see also BENINGTON, ASTON AND LITTLE MUNDEN

NORTHAW, 1807

66568

13.3in. to 1m. 16½ x 18

Edward Driver, Kent Road, London

Whole parish. Owners' names; trees, wells, springs, ponds etc. shown; acreages given.

Printed copy 79846

NORTHCHURCH, 1864

QS/E 53

26.7in. to 1m. 52 x 39

Part of parish. Roads and lanes named; railway, Grand Junction Canal, bridges and lock shown; fields named; buildings and field gates shown.

NORTON, 1796

QS/E 54

[c. 6½in. to 1m.] 19 x 26

John Goodman Maxwell & Marrison Welstead

Whole parish. Adjoining parishes named; houses; old inclosures edged green; footpaths, road directions, owners' names on new inclosed fields; reference in corner of sheet.

OPFLEY, 1807

QS/E 56

13.3in. to 1m. 32 x 39

Thomas Browne, Hitchin

Most of parish. Old inclosures green; farms named; owners' names given; greens named.

FURNEUX PELHAM, [1840]

QS/E 57

[c. 12in. to 1m.] 21 x 32

Common fields. Road directions; field names; copyholds given; windmill depicted.

PUTTENHAM, 1816

QS/E 59

13.3in. to 1m. 33 x 21

Whole parish. Many details; roads coloured; adjoining parishes named; ponds, streams, rivers, canal, lock, bridges, footpaths, hedges, trees and buildings shown; small sketch of church; table of reference on map.

REED see BARKWAY and REED

RICKMANSWORTH, 1856

QS/E 60A

20in. to 1m. 26 x 20

Lockhill Wood. New inclosures; trees shown; road directions.

RICKMANSWORTH

QS/E 60B

26.6in. to 1m. 26 x 43

Lands in respect of which allotments were made, ? tithe numbers; trees; road directions.

SACOMBE see BENGEO, SACOMBE and STAPLEFORD

SANDON, 1842

QS/E 85

13.3in. to 1m. 24 x 60

Whole parish, but only relevant section in detail. Fields, large houses and adjoining parishes named; greens shown. Photostat copy.

STANDON, 1835

QS/E 61

8.9in. to 1m. 51 x 33

Anthony Jackson, Barkway

Whole parish. Detailed map: buildings coloured red; water, trees and gates shown; owners' names given, roads and lanes named; estates outlined in blue; allotted and exchanged lands green and brown; reference to small allotments; adjoining parishes named.

Tracing A 2839

STANSTEAD ABBOTS, 1865

QS/E 62

20in. to 1m. 54 x 42

Crawter and Death, Cheshunt

Rye Meads, Stanstead Marsh and Castle Mead. Inclosures outlined in green, few details.

STANSTEAD ST. MARGARETS see GREAT AND LITTLE ANWELL

STAPLEFORD see BENGEO, SACOMBE and STAPLEFORD

STEVENAGE, 1853

QS/E 63A

26.7in. to 1m. (1) 24 x 40
(2)- (9) 24 x 33

Whole parish and part of Graveley. Nine sheets showing Commons, common fields, greens, roads etc.

STEVENAGE, 1851

QS/E 63B

13.3in. to 1m.

Whole parish showing fields pre-inclosure. Tithe numbers; footpaths and bridleways; ponds, woods; hamlets and farms named; railway and station; tumuli. Enlarged plan of town inset (26.7in. to 1m.).

STUDHAM, 1846
[now BEDS.]

QS/E 64

13.3in. to 1m. 23 x 26

James Louis Alty, Little Gaddesden

Common fields only. Reference table on map. Few details.

THROCKING, [1868]

QS/E 66

26.7in. to 1m. 26 x 24

Charles P. Adams, Barkway

Part of parish. Inclosures outlined in green; footpaths shown.

WALKERN, 1849

QS/E 68

26.7in. to 1m. 75 x 43

C.F. Humbert, Watford

Part of parish. Commons named; footpaths, and church shown; tithe and inclosure numbers given.

WARE, WENGEO COMMON, 1850

QS/E 69

26.7in. to 1m. 20 x 16

Wengeo Common only. Roads coloured; inclosures outlined; brick ground and balk posts shown.

WATFORD, [1854]

QS/E 70A

26.7in. to 1m. 21 x 25

Watford Field only. Canal and bridge shown; adjoining owners named; fields named; recreational allotment shown; lands allotted and new footpaths shown.

WATFORD

QS/E 70B

As above: shows lands in respect of which the allotments were made, with former numbers.

WATFORD, 1868

QS/E 71A

26.7in. to 1m. 20 x 31

Wiggenhall and Middle Moor Meads. Rookery Silk Mill named; river, Watford and Rickmansworth Railway shown.

WATFORD

QS/E 71B

As above: also shows strips before inclosure.

WELWYN see CODICOTE, WELWYN AND KNEBORTH

WESTON, 1797

78430

13.3in. to 1m. 69 x 36

Thomas Thorpe

Whole parish. Woodlands, buildings, roads, footpaths and church shown. Inclosure allotments; tithe numbers added in red. Cartouche tree trunk.

Tracing 26873

WIDFORD, [1856]

QS/E 74

26.7in. to 1m. 47 x 39

Part of parish: commons and common fields. Shows strips with tithe numbers, and new inclosures. Small part of Ware parish inset.

WIGGINTON, [1854]

QS/E 75

26.7in. to 1m. 85 x 50

Whole parish. Woods, river, church, buildings shown; pest house named but not shown; farms and large houses named; also some hamlets. [Appears to be an enlarged copy of the tithe map, surveyed by J.G. Glenister, 1841].

WORNLEY, 1854

QS/S 79

26.7in. to 1m. 40 x 122

Crawter and Death, Cheshunt

Whole parish. Rivers, railway shown. Tithe numbers and inclosure numbers.

GREAT AND LITTLE WYMONDLEY, 1811

QS/E 81

13.3in. to 1m. 50 x 32

Thomas Lilburne, Cardington, Beds.

Whole parish. Detailed map. Trees, ponds, moat and mill shown; roads coloured brown and named; owners, and adjoining parishes named.