

GUIDE TO MAPS HELD AT THE KEEP

PRINTED MAPS

Non-Ordnance Survey printed maps

The most complete listing of printed maps of Sussex (wherever they are held) is D Kingsley (ed) 'Printed Maps of Sussex, 1575-1900' *Sussex Record Society* **volume 72** (1982).

Printed maps are held in a variety of places amongst our holdings. Harry Margary (ed) *Two Hundred and Fifty Years of Map-making in the County of Sussex, a collection of reproductions of printed maps published between the years 1575 and 1825* (Phillimore 1970) is a good introduction (AMS 6008/1/1/29) and there are other printed maps in AMS 6008.

Many printed maps are found in the quarter sessions series of parliamentary deposited plans (QDP); they are listed in our on-line catalogue and also in R Davey 'East Sussex parliamentary deposited plans 1799-1970' *SRS 87* (2003); the West Sussex series of plans are listed in F W Steer 'A catalogue of Sussex maps' *SRS 66* (1968).

Printed maps of towns were often produced. There are some examples in AMS 6008 and there are copies of the ones for Brighton, 1539-1920s in the drawers of the map table (numbers 17-27) in the Reading Room and for Lewes (number 57).

Digital images of some pre-1813 printed maps of Sussex are available on-line (www.envf.port.ac.uk/geo/research/historical/webmap/sussexmap/sussex.html).

Ordnance Survey

Introduction

Our holdings are listed in the *Guide to Ordnance Survey Maps* (on the book shelves in the Reading Room). The different scales of maps produced by the OS are usefully summarised in Richard Oliver *Ordnance Survey Maps, a concise guide for historians* (Charles Close Society 1993) which is available in the same place in the Reading Room.

County series of OS maps

Until the introduction of the National Grid in 1945, OS maps were numbered on a county by county basis.

1-inch maps (1:63360), 1813-1860s: these maps were first published in 1813 and continued to be published up to the 1860s. Copies are available in AMS 6008.

We also hold the preliminary surveys for these maps, 1790s-c1810 which were surveyed at the larger scale of 2½-inches. Digital images are available on-line (www.collectbritain.co.uk/collections/osd/) and also on the two map viewers in the Reference Room; there are paper copies in AMS 6008.

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6-inch maps (1:10560), c1875-1930s: there were county-wide editions of these maps published in about 1875, 1898, 1910, thereafter the maps were revised on a piecemeal basis in the 1920s and 1930s.

The map of East Sussex showing the areas covered by these maps and the relevant sheet numbers is on top of the map table.

The first edition full sheets, c1875 are hanging in the map cabinet number 74. The quarter sheets, 1898-1930s are stored in the drawers of the map table (numbers 35-39) and a bound set (ex-Brighton History Centre) is in drawers 31-34.

Digital images of these maps for the whole of the UK, 1842-1952 are available on-line from the National Library of Scotland (www.nls.uk/), while images of the c1875 maps are available at www.old-maps.co.uk.

25-inch maps (1:2500), 1875-1930s: there were county-wide editions of these maps published in about 1875, 1898, 1910, thereafter the maps were revised on a piecemeal basis in the 1920s and 1930s.

The map of East Sussex showing the areas covered by these maps and the relevant sheet numbers is on top of the map table in the Reading Room.

These maps are stored in sheet number order and then by date in the grey map cabinets (numbers 65-72). The ones for Brighton and Hove are stored flat in the drawers of the map table (numbers 9-16).

Microfiche of the 1875 (XA 60) and 1898 (XA 75) first and second editions are in the microform cabinets in the Reference Room.

There is a set of books of reference for the first edition maps stored with the *Guide to Ordnance Survey Maps* (on the book shelves in the Reading Room). They are arranged by parish and give the acreage of each parcel and the land use.

10.56 feet maps (1:500), 1872-1885: between 1855 and 1895 sheets on a scale of 10.56 feet to 1 mile were published for all towns in Great Britain with populations over 4000. In East Sussex, sheets were published for Brighton (55 sheets), Lewes (14), Eastbourne (20), Hastings (38) and Rye (5).

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10.56 feet maps (1:500), 1872-1885

The maps of Brighton, Lewes, Eastbourne and Hastings showing the areas covered by these maps and the relevant sheet numbers are in the map finding aids drawer of the map table (number 57). These maps are stored in sheet number order and then by date in the grey map cabinet (Lewes, Eastbourne, Hastings and Rye) number 74. The ones for Brighton are stored flat in the drawers of the map table (numbers 1-8).

Microfiche of a complete set of these maps for East Sussex towns (XA 72) is in the microform cabinets in the Reference Room.

National Grid series of OS maps

During the Second World War the War Office used their own national grid (Cassini Grid) and an incomplete set is held as AMS 6172.

The National Grid was introduced In 1945 following the report of the Davidson Committee. It is an artificial reference grid allowing the numbering of maps across the whole of the UK by reference to 500km squares (eg T)>100km squares (TQ)>10km squares (TQ 37)>1km squares (TQ 3877).

1-inch maps (1:63360), 1930s-1970s: these maps continued to be published into the 1970s when they were replaced by the Landranger series at 1¼-inch (1:50000) and Explorer series at 2½-inch (1:2500). Copies of some 1-inch maps are available in AMS 6008.

6-inch maps (1:10560), 1961-date: from 1969 metric sheets at 1:10000 have been issued.

The maps showing the areas covered by these maps and the relevant sheet numbers are on top of the map table. You can establish the sheet numbers by combining the eastings (the numbers on the bottom of the sheets running right to left) with the northings (the numbers on the left hand side of the sheets running from bottom to top).

They are stored flat in the drawers of the map table (number 47/40).

25-inch maps (1:2500), 1961-date: the maps showing the areas covered by these maps and the relevant sheet numbers are on top of the map table. You can establish the sheet numbers by combining the eastings (the numbers on the bottom of the sheets running right to left) with the northings (the numbers on the left hand side of the sheets running from bottom to top).

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25-inch maps (1:2500), 1961-date:

The full sheets are stored flat in drawers 42-46 of the map table and the half-sheets in drawers 50-55.

50-inch sheets (1:1250), 1951-date: the maps showing the areas covered by these maps and the relevant sheet numbers are on top of the map table. You can establish the sheet numbers by combining the eastings (the numbers on the bottom of the sheets running right to left) with the northings (the numbers on the left hand side of the sheets running from bottom to top).

They are stored flat in the drawers of the map table (numbers 56, 58-64).

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Contents of the map table and cabinets in the Reading Room.

Map drawer/cabinet	Contents
1	OS 10.56-feet: 65/12.19 to 66/9.10
2	OS 10.56-feet: 66/9.11 to 9.19
3	OS 10.56-feet: 66/9.20 to 9.25
4	OS 10.56-feet: 66/10.1 to 10.7
5	OS 10.56-feet: 66/10.11 to 10.17
6	OS 10.56-feet: 66/10.21 to 10.23
7	OS 10.56-feet: 66/13.3 to 14.13
8	OS 25-inch county series: 53/11, 13-15
9	OS 25-inch county series: 65/2-7
10	OS 25-inch county series: 65/8-12
11	OS 25-inch county series: 66/1-3
12	OS 25-inch county series: 66/5-6
13	OS 25-inch county series: 66/7-12
14	OS 25-inch county series: 66/13-14
15	OS 25-inch county series: 66/15-16
16	OS 25-inch county series: 67/13 to 78/5
17	Brighton maps: 1539-1820s
18	Brighton maps: 1830s-1840s
19	Brighton maps: 1850s
20	Brighton maps: 1860s
21	Brighton maps: 1870s-1890s
22	Brighton maps: post-World War One
23	Brighton maps: soil, land use etc
24	Brighton maps: miscellaneous
25	Brighton Goad insurance plans, 1898-1952
26	Brighton Goad insurance plans, 1973-1988
27	Brighton Goad insurance plans, 1989-2003
28	Brighton ward and parish maps
29	OS 101.376-inch
30	Empty
31	OS 6-inch quarter sheets (bound - BHC), 1899: 2-16, 17-30, 31-40, 41-50
32	OS 6-inch quarter sheets (bound - BHC), 1899: 51-61, 65-66, 67-83
33	OS 6-inch quarter sheets (bound - BHC), 1910-1933: 1-16, 17-22, 23-40, 41-51
34	OS 6-inch quarter sheets (bound - BHC), 1910-1933: 52-64, 65-66, 67-83
35	OS 6-inch quarter sheets: 3-7, 14-19, 25-28
36	OS 6-inch quarter sheets: 30-32, 38-43
37	OS 6-inch quarter sheets: 44-46, 52-56
38	OS 6-inch quarter sheets: 57-59, 65-69
39	OS 6-inch quarter sheets: 70-71, 77-80, 82-83
40	OS 6-inch Provisional Edition (National Grid) TQ 11-92, TR 1-2, TV 49, 59, 69 OS 6-inch Metric Edition (National Grid) TQ 20-72, TV 49, 59
41	Volume of inclosure award terriers

42	OS 25-inch National Grid (full sheets): TQ 2010-2116 to 5029-5129
43	OS 25-inch National Grid (full sheets): TQ 5030-5130 to 5830-5930
44	OS 25-inch National Grid (full sheets): TQ 5831-5931 to 6628-6728
45	OS 25-inch National Grid (full sheets): TQ 6629-6729 to 9020-9120
46	OS 25-inch National Grid (full sheets): TQ 9021-9121 to 9424-9524 OS 25-inch National Grid (full sheets): TV 4699-4799 to 6099-6199
47	OS 6-inch full dissected sheets: 3-79
48	OS 2½-inch first series TQ 20-92, TV 49, 59, 69 OS 2½-inch second series TQ 20/30, 22/32
49	Map finding aids
50	OS 25-inch National Grid (half-sheets): TQ 0816 to 3016
51	OS 25-inch National Grid (half-sheets): TQ 3017 to 3335
52	OS 25-inch National Grid (half-sheets): TQ 3336 to 3810
53	OS 25-inch National Grid (half-sheets): TQ 3815 to 4129
54	OS 25-inch National Grid (half-sheets): TQ 4136 to 6404
55	OS 25-inch National Grid (half-sheets): TQ 6406 to 9014 OS 25-inch National Grid (half-sheets): TV 4699 to 6299
56	OS 50-inch National Grid: TV 4798 to 6299
57	Map finding aids
58	OS 50-inch National Grid: TQ 1002 to 2706
59	OS 50-inch National Grid: TQ 2707 to 3007
60	OS 50-inch National Grid: TQ 3008 to 3207
61	OS 50-inch National Grid: TQ 3208 to 3404
62	OS 50-inch National Grid: TQ 3405 to 4011
63	OS 50-inch National Grid: TQ 4100 to 7107
64	OS 50-inch National Grid: TQ 7108 to 8412
65	OS 25-inch County Series: 4-16
66	OS 25-inch County Series: 17-29/5
67	OS 25-inch County Series: 29/6-40/8
68	OS 25-inch County Series: 40/9-45/11
69	OS 25-inch County Series: 45/12-56
70	OS 25-inch County Series: 57-65
71	OS 25-inch County Series: 66-69
72	OS 25-inch County Series: 70-83
73	Terrier sheets
74	OS 6-inch first edition 3-83 OS 10.56-foot sheets AMS 6008/2/1/1-12

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Tithe maps

Tithe maps are useful for local, building and family history studies. They include the boundaries of fields, woods, roads and rivers and locations of buildings. Most date from the 1840s and follow old parish boundaries.

The maps are usually large scale and vary in detail. They can show you whether there was a house on the site of your own home, who lived in it and what the land was used for.

Tithes were taxes paid to the local church, both in cash and 'in kind' (such as produce of the land). People paid one tenth of everything they produced. In 1836 the Tithe Redemption Act converted all in kind payments into money payments. To help reassess the tithe payment for each piece of land, maps were drawn of the majority of parishes in East Sussex.

At least three copies were made, for the Tithe Commissioners in London (now held by TNA), the diocese (TDE series) and parish (PAR series). It is the TDE series of maps that are available as digital images at The Keep. They are fully listed in our on-line catalogue and also in F W Steer 'A catalogue of Sussex estate and tithe awards' *SRS 61* (1962). The background to the survey is usefully summarised in Roger JP Kain and Hugh C Prince *The Tithe Surveys of England and Wales* (CUP 1985).

By the 19th century there was a great deal of resentment towards the payments, particularly from non-Anglicans, who still had to support the church even if they did not attend it. Tithes also discouraged farming improvements because if production went up, so did tithe payments. Some payments did not even go to the church because the right to receive tithes in some areas had passed into the hands of local landowners. Tithes were finally abolished in 1936.

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Inclosure awards

There are relatively few Parliamentary awards for Sussex compared to other parts of England. This is because most inclosures had already taken place before this system became prevalent in the 18th and 19th centuries. Earlier inclosures in Sussex were achieved by Decrees in Chancery (eg Barcombe and Plumpton) or by agreement between landowners (Heathfield Down).

There are enrolled awards in the eastern Sussex quarter sessions , 1769-1812 (QDD/EW2-4) and awards, 1811-1896 (QDD/6/E1-16). Although the maps have been digitised the accompanying awards have not.

The areas covered by the East Sussex awards have been plotted on a set of Ordnance Survey 2½-inch sheets (map table drawer number 41) and our holdings are summarised in W E Tate *A Handlist of Sussex Inclosure Acts and Awards* (1950). The West Sussex inclosure awards are listed in F W Steer 'A catalogue of Sussex maps' *SRS 66* (1968).

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Estate maps

East Sussex Record Office has particularly extensive holdings of pre-1840 estate maps and they are fully listed in our on-line catalogue. The areas covered by these maps have been plotted on a set of Ordnance Survey 6-inch maps (called 'terrier sheets') in the Reading Room (drawer 73). They are in the process of being digitised.

There is a list of some of these maps in F W Steer 'A catalogue of Sussex estate and title awards' *SRS 61* (1962), which includes maps still in private hands, and West Sussex estate maps are listed in *SRS 61* (1962) and *SRS 66* (1968).