

Extracted from
CO-OPERATION FOR CONSERVATION OF RURAL ROAD VERGES
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22. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

A. County Council Highways Department

Reported in 1972 that there was no contact with the Nature Conservancy and that contact with the Naturalists' Trust was on a personal, more than a formal basis, although it had begun officially. The Department was sympathetic to the idea of protection of special verges as and when they were notified, and also to co-operating with the Naturalists' Trust over verge management in general. A memorandum from the County Surveyor to the Divisional Surveyors in November 1973 asked them to co-operate as far as they were able.

B. Nature Conservancy

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C. Nottinghamshire Trust for Nature Conservation

A survey of roadsides in the County generally was made by the Trust in 1970 resulting in the systematic collection of records for 82 verges. Subsequently, in August 1972, report forms were sent to local organisations throughout the County to obtain information about verges of special conservation interest. Following the completion and return of a number of these forms a schedule of verges for notification to the Highways Department was being prepared in November 1973; the verges listed below had already been notified, in some cases marked and their management agreed. In 1973 the Trust reported that liaison with the Highways Department was extremely good and that there was a general policy of minimum cutting of verges consistent with road safety. In addition to the County roads there was also a road verge site at Spalford Warren on land belonging to the Forestry Commission that had been leased by the Commission to the Trust, about which the Highway Department had also been notified. As a result of an agreement with the Department of the Environment and the Local Authority as their agents it had been possible in 1971 to establish a locally rare plant (*Aquilegia vulgaris*) on the banks of the M1 Motorway in an area from which it was otherwise threatened with extinction.

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NOTTINGHAMSHIRE - all scheduled									
56	SK 832697	A 1133			E	P			Very wide rich habitat for plants and animals
56	SK 831690	A 1133			E	P			Back verge botanically interesting
56	SK 829687	A 1133			E	P			Potentially interesting
56	SK 828681	A 1133			E	P			Sand flora
56	SK 828677	A 1133			E	P			Damaged in 1971 and reseeded
56	SK 828673	A 1133			E	P			Sand meadow flora and insects
56	SK 828668	A 1133			E	P			Sand flora
56	SK 828725	A 1133	North Clifton						<i>Astragalus glycyphyllos</i>
56	SK 834692	U	Spalford				V		
56	SK 835694	U	Spalford				V		
56	SK 645518	V 6386	Oxton Hill				V		
56	SK 886730	U	Harby				V		
56	SK 674597	U	Kirklington				V		
56	SK 871735	U	Thorpey (Drinksey Nook Lane)				V		
56	SK 662546	U	Halam				V		
56	SK 745764	U	Upton				V		
56	SK 776793	U	Treswell		NE		V		<i>Primula vulgaris</i> , <i>P. veris</i> , <i>Galeobdolon luteum</i> , <i>Mercurialis perennis</i> , <i>Geranium pratense</i> , <i>Pyrus communis</i>
56	SK 690900	U	Mattersey				V		
56	SK 696900	B 6045	Everton		B		V		Sand flora - <i>Echium vulgare</i> , <i>Jasione montana</i> , <i>Potentilla argentea</i> , <i>Apera spica-venti</i> , <i>Viola lepida</i> = <i>V. tricolor</i> spp. <i>tricolor</i> .
56	SK 674800	U	Rushey				V		

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NOTTINGHAMSHIRE - contd.									
56	SK 696705	U	Walesby				V		Woodland flora
56	SK 663703	U	Ollerton			S			Sand flora - <i>Claytonia (Montia) perfoliata</i> , <i>Myosotis ramosissima</i> , <i>Vicia lathyroides</i> , <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i> , <i>Myosotis discolor</i> , <i>Cardamine hirsuta</i>
56	SK 627689	A 616/ B 6034	Budby South Forest				P		<i>Genista</i> sp.
56		A 616				N			<i>Cerastium arvense</i>
56	SK 5--6--								<i>Parnassia palustris</i> , <i>Anagallis tenella</i>
56	SK 683677		Forestry Commission Road Spalford Warren	500	W		P		(Sand flora on blown sand over (Keuper Marl. <i>Jasione montana</i> , <i>Echium vulgare</i> , <i>Vicia (lathyroides)</i> , <i>Teesdalia nudicaulis</i> , <i>Potentilla argentea</i> , <i>Calluna vulgaris</i> .)
56	SK 683677		Rabbit Hill Lane	150	S		P		