

Extracted from
CO-OPERATION FOR CONSERVATION OF RURAL ROAD VERGES
J.M.Way (1974)
NERC ITE

43. YORKSHIRE - EAST RIDING

A. County Council Highways Department

In 1972 reported that there was no recent contact with the Nature Conservancy. There was adequate liaison with the Naturalists' Trust, who had two road verges of conservation importance scheduled with the Department. These sites were marked on the ground and there was an agreement not to mow them during the flowering season of the plants of special interest.

B. Nature Conservancy

Confirmed that there had been no recent contact with the Highways Department.

C. Yorkshire Naturalists' Trust

Two verges of conservation importance were scheduled in the East Riding in September 1969. When the local government reorganisation due in April, 1974 had been completed, it was hoped to make further contact with the Highways Departments concerned. See also 'Yorkshire - West Riding'.

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YORKSHIRE - EAST RIDING - not scheduled									
61	SE 667398		Skipwith - Thorganby	1300	B		P	F&M	Epipactis helleborine Listera ovata
61	SE 955377		Beverley - Newbald		S		V	GBD	Gentianella campestris and chalk flora.

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44. YORKSHIRE - NORTH RIDING

A. County Council Highways and Bridges Department

Reported in 1972 that there was no contact with the Nature Conservancy, and practically no contact with the Naturalists' Trust, nor scheduled verges of conservation importance.

B. Nature Conservancy

Confirmed in 1973 that there was no contact with the Highways department but did understand that there had been some contact between the Highways Department and the Naturalists' Trust over a number of specific verge sites.

C. Yorkshire Naturalists' Trust

Two road verge sites of conservation importance were scheduled with the Highways Department in 1969 and notified to the Biological Records Centre in October that year after the production of the Records Centre's report. These sites were said to have been agreed by the Highways Department. See also 'Yorkshire - West Riding'

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YORKSHIRE - NORTH RIDING - all scheduled									
65	SD 664915		Bransdale - Fadmore		W		P		Campanula glomerata, Parnassia palustris
65	SD 674927		Gillamoor - Farndale		E		P		Antennaria dioica

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45. YORKSHIRE - WEST RIDING

A. County Council Highways and Bridges Department

Reported in 1972 that there had been contact with the Nature Conservancy at the time of setting up liaison between the Department and the Naturalists' Trust, but that there had been no further contact after that time. There was good liaison with the Naturalists' Trust dating from 1963, but the initiative was left to the Trust. By 1972 there were six scheduled road verge sites of special conservation importance. These were not marked on the ground, but they were known to the people concerned and it was agreed that they should not be cut during the flowering period of the plants of interest. The Department was very sympathetic to wildlife, and in January 1971 issued a Technical Instruction revised from 1968 on the subject of "Maintenance of roadside margins - grass cutting" that specifically mentioned the conservation of wildlife as a factor to be considered by maintenance staff. In general the Department would prefer to leave a whole stretch of verge unown rather than select small areas from it for special management.

B. Nature Conservancy

Reported in 1973 that there had been renewed contact with the Highways Department to confirm the standing arrangements with the Naturalists' Trust on the management of the scheduled sites.

C. Yorkshire Naturalists' Trust

Two scheduled road verge sites were notified to the Biological Records Centre in October 1969, after the publication of the Centre's preliminary report. Subsequently a further four sites in the Settle RDC's area had been scheduled. With the far-reaching changes in the County boundaries in Yorkshire after 1 April 1974, the Trust was intending to establish a liaison with the Highway Departments of the new Counties. As a first step in April 1974, they wrote to the South Yorkshire County Council, pointing out the close links that there had previously been in the West Riding and expressing a hope that there would be similar co-operation with the new Authority. It was intended to approach the other new Authorities in a similar way.

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YORKSHIRE - WEST RIDING - all scheduled									
64	SD 771497		Bolton-by-Bowland				P		Geranium phaeum
64	SD 74-52-	B 6478	Slaidburn - Wigglesworth		B		P		Dactylorhynchis maculata Gymnadenia conopsea
64	SD 757642		Kettleback Bridge		B		V		Mixed flora
64	SD 751669		Austwick		B		P		Aquilegia vulgaris Caltha palustris
64	SD 778659		Lawkland		B		P		Viola odorata, Campanula glomerata, Echium vulgare, Anemone nemoralis
64	SD 692698		Lowther Hill		B		P		Primula farinosa, Caltha palustris, Orchis mascula, Pinguicula vulgaris

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