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Longley Depot, team winners of Sheffield Casualty Services inter - depot first-aid competition, 1940s
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Residents of Crowland Road at the Piggyback Race, Coronation Party, Longley Park, 1953
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This guide gives a brief introduction to the sources available for researching the history of Southey at Sheffield Archives and Local Studies Library.

Southey is 4 miles north of Sheffield city centre.

Historically Southey was a village in Ecclesfield township. Up until 1974 Ecclesfield was in the West Riding of Yorkshire (though some parts had been absorbed into Sheffield as early as 1901).

For advice and guidance on any of the information in this Guide please contact Sheffield Archives and Local Studies.

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(Sheffield Local Studies Library: Methodist Pamphlets vol. 1 287.1 SST)

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(Sheffield Local Studies Library: PAMP 192/1)
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(Sheffield Local Studies Library: 942.74 SQ; copies also available at Sheffield Archives: ECC/LOCAL and Central Library Store and Hillsborough Library: 942.821 Q and 942.74 SQ)

Jones, Joan, 

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**Past times from around Chapeltown, Ecclesfield, Thorpe Hesley and Wentworth** (Green tree, 2002)  
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**Changing times: in Chapeltown, Ecclesfield, High Green and Thorpe Hesley** (Green Tree, 2007)  
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*Old Ecclesfield Revisited* (Workers' Educational Association. Ecclesfield Branch, 1987)  
(Sheffield Local Studies Library: 942.74 SQ; also available at Sheffield Archives: ECC/LOCAL and Ecclesfield Library: 942.74 Q)

*Pictures from the past - glimpses from some Ecclesfield family albums* (Workers' Educational Association. Ecclesfield Branch, 1985)  
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(Sheffield Local Studies Library: 942.74 S; copies also available in Central Lending and Stocksbridge libraries: 942.821)

Harrison, John, *Survey of the Manor of Sheffield with other lands, 1637* [transcribed and edited by James George Ronksley with introduction by R. E. Leader] (Arthur Wightman, 1908)  
(Sheffield Local Studies Library: 333.094274 S; Sheffield Archives: HAR/LOCAL)
Hunter, Joseph, *Hallamshire: the history and topography of the parish of Sheffield: with historical and descriptive notices of the parishes of Ecclesfield, Hansworth [sic], Treeton and Whiston, and of the chapelry of Bradfield, 1819*  
(Sheffield Local Studies Library: 942.74 SSTF; Sheffield Archives: HUN/LOCAL)

Trade Directories give a history of the district, main occupants and businesses, 1774 - 1974, and telephone directories thereafter. A full list of trade directories is available: [www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/trade-directories.html](http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/trade-directories.html). Most West Riding directories, however, are available in the Sheffield Reference Library or at West Yorkshire Archives. Some directories are available to view online: [www.historicaldirectories.org](http://www.historicaldirectories.org).

**Census returns**  
These list every resident by household and include names, relationships, occupations, ages and birth places, every 10 years from 1841 through to 1911, available free at every Sheffield library and at Sheffield Archives via [www.Ancestry.com](http://www.Ancestry.com)

**Church registers and records, monumental (gravestone) inscriptions and cemeteries**

St Mary, Ecclesfield is an ancient parish in the Diocese of York until 1914 (and then in the Diocese of Sheffield). St Paul, Ecclesfield was created in 1949 as mission church to St Mary’s.

St Mary, Ecclesfield, parish registers and records, 1599 onwards  
(Sheffield Archives: PR54)

St Paul, Wordsworth Avenue, Ecclesfield, parish registers and records, 1949 onwards  
(Sheffield Archives: PR88)

St Cecilia, Parson Cross, Anglican Parish (with some records of St Bernard, Southey Hill), 1938 onwards  
(Sheffield Archives: PR45)

Sheffield, Christ the King, Parson Cross, Anglican Parish, service register, 1940 - 1970  
(Sheffield Archives: PR169)

St Bernard, Parson Cross, Anglican Parish, registers and records, 1937 onwards  
(Sheffield Archives: PR168)

Southey Methodist Church, Moonshine Lane, marriage register 1975 - 2002; and other records from 1934 onwards  
(Sheffield Archives: NR 2008/126, 2010/66 and 2010/111)
Ecclesfield Churchyard, tombstone inscriptions, transcribed by F S Hague
(Sheffield Archives: MD3583-3585)

Ecclesfield Cemetery, registers of burials, 1920 - 1996
(Sheffield Archives: microfilm A474)

High Greave (Methodist New Connexion), baptism register, 1906 onwards
(Sheffield Archives: acc. 2006/102)

Southey Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, baptisms, 1869 onwards and marriages, 1956 onwards
(Sheffield Archives: NR987 and NR1679)

Trinity Chapel (Wesleyan Methodist) chapel, records, 1840 onwards
(Sheffield Archives: 2002/55)

Nether Lane (Primitive Methodist Chapel), records, 1877 onwards
(Sheffield Archives: NR1453)

Methodist School Church (junction of Sicey Avenue and Beck Road), marriage registers, 1939 onwards
(Sheffield Archives: 2007/139)

For further details on Anglican parish registers see

For further details on Roman Catholic Church registers see

For further details on non-conformist chapel registers see

For further details on cemeteries see

For further details on monumental inscriptions (gravestone transcriptions) see
Clubs, Societies and Charities
A search of the online catalogues and the card indexes at Archives and Local Studies may reveal records from Ecclesfield based clubs, societies and charities; for instance:

Southey Amateur Operatic Society programmes
(Sheffield Local Studies Library: Miscellaneous operatic and dramatic society programmes and publicity material)

Southey and District Community Association, papers, annual reports, newsletters, etc., 1938 - 1974
(Sheffield Archives: X625 and Sheffield Local Studies Library: 374.28 SQ)

Courts
The Magistrates Court (or Petty Sessions court) records deal mainly with minor offences and licensing the sale and consumption of liquor. Records of the Sheffield Division cover the borough and City of Sheffield and records of Upper Strafforth and Tickhill Division of West Riding of Yorkshire cover areas outside the borough such as Handsworth, Ecclesfield and Bradfield, c.1870 - 1976.
(Sheffield Archives: MC)

There are also records of the Court of Quarter Sessions from 1880.
(Sheffield Archives: QS)

For records of West Riding of Yorkshire courts (Southey was in the West Riding until 1974) contact West Yorkshire Archives.

Electoral Registers and Poll Books
Sometimes known as Burgess Rolls or voters' lists, in essence, electoral rolls are lists of people that are entitled to vote. The Sheffield Local Studies Library has a comprehensive collection from 1841 onwards. More details are available: www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/electoral-registers.html

For West Riding electoral registers and poll books courts (Southey was in the West Riding of Yorkshire until 1974) contact West Yorkshire Archives.

Poll books list the votes cast by each voter at elections prior to the introduction of the secret ballot in 1872. More details are available: www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/poll-books.html
Hospitals
Sheffield Archives has records from over 50 hospitals, including annual reports, photographs and administrative records
For a full list of hospital records see www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/hospital-records.html

As Southey was in the West Riding of Yorkshire until 1974, older records will be at West Yorkshire Archives.

Land, Building and Property Records
Sale particulars (often with plans) date from the late 18th century; for instance, plan and particulars of freehold residence and land at Raisen Hall, Southey, 23 Jul 1872 (Sheffield Local Studies Library).

In addition some planning applications survive from the late 19th century onwards – these include Sheffield City (Sheffield Archives: CA206) and Wortley Rural District Council registers of buildings plans, 1881 - 1936 (Sheffield Archives: CA676; CA529).

There are also deeds to properties and records of land valuations which detail owners and occupiers (Sheffield Archives)

Court rolls of the Manor of Ecclesfield, 1705 - 1926
(Sheffield Archives: MD596-600)

Maps
There are large-scale maps of the Sheffield area from 1853 to the present day. Comprehensive coverage of Sheffield and partial coverage of the surrounding areas is available at Sheffield Local Studies Library. Sheffield Archives has incomplete historic coverage of most of South Yorkshire. More details are available here: www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/ordnance-survey-maps.html

Prior to the Ordnance Survey there may be estate and other maps such as tithes (www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/tithe-maps.html) and enclosures www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/enclosure-awards-and-maps.html

A search of the Archives and Local Studies online catalogues and the card indexes may reveal other maps.
Newspapers
The two main Sheffield newspapers are the Sheffield Morning Telegraph (later Sheffield Telegraph) and The Star, and these are available on microfilm at Sheffield Local Studies Library.

The Sheffield Independent, 1819 - 1900; Sheffield Daily Telegraph 1855 - 1903 and Sheffield Evening Telegraph, 1887 - 1897 are available online at www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk

Photographs and Illustrations
Over 60,000 images from the Sheffield Library and Archive collections are available to view online at Picture Sheffield.

In addition Sheffield Archives has photographs and illustrations within its collections. (Sheffield Local Studies Library and Sheffield Archives)

Poor Law, Civil Parish and Local Government records

Ecclesfield Overseers of the Poor, Constables, etc, 1602 onwards (Sheffield Archives: PR54/22)

Ecclesfield and Bradfield Highways and Ecclesfield and Bradfield Board, minutes and assessments, 1811 - 1865 (Sheffield Archives: CA65)

Bradfield Poor Law Union, copies of documents (settlement certificates, removal orders and bastardy orders), 1705-1850 (Sheffield Archives: MD7277)

Wortley Rural District Council, 1895-1974 (Sheffield Local Studies Library: local pamphlets, vol. 33 (042 SQ))

Wortley Poor Law Union, minutes and accounts, 1838 - 1929, etc. (Sheffield Archives: SY164 and CA527)

Wortley Rural Sanitary Authority, minutes, 1872-1896 (Sheffield Archives: CA528)

Wortley Rural District Council (Sheffield Archives: MD7629, MD8143, CA624, CA708, X246, X435)

Valuation records (plans) prepared for Wortley Board of Guardians for poor rate valuation purposes, 1864 - 1865 (Sheffield Archives: SY555)
For more information on poor law and workhouse records see:  

As Southey was in the West Riding of Yorkshire until 1974 other records of the poor law and local government may be available at West Yorkshire Archives.

Schools
Sheffield Archives has records from over 200 schools, including admission registers and head teachers’ log books (diaries). For instance there are log books from Southey Green Secondary School from 1931 onwards (Sheffield Archives: CA35/72-74).

For a full list of school records see  www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/school-records

Ecclesfield School Board, minutes, 1887 - 1902  
(Sheffield Archives: CA760)

Postles, David,  The First years of the Ecclesfield School Board, 1882 - 1888  
(1970s)  
(Sheffield Local Studies Library: PAMP 49 SQ)

Other libraries and archives
In addition to information held at Sheffield Archives and Local Studies other library and archive services will also hold relevant material:

For areas formerly in the West Riding of Yorkshire (Southey was in the West Riding until 1974) there may be relevant records at the West Yorkshire Archives Service.

Prior to 1914, Southey came within the jurisdiction of the Diocese of York. There are extensive archives of the Diocese at the Borthwick Institute for Archives in York.

Wills and probate records relating to those who died in Southey prior to 1858 are held at the Borthwick Institute for Archives in York. Probate records after 1858 are held at The National Archives (TNA).

Court records will also be held at the West Yorkshire Archive Service and at the National Archives.

The National Archives (TNA) holds records of central government departments and agencies. You can search the TNA catalogue online.

Information on archaeological sites and ancient monuments is held by the South Yorkshire Archaeology Service’s Sites and Monuments Record.
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The information dates from the 12th century to the present and relates to Sheffield, South Yorkshire and north Derbyshire.

Included are extensive collections of books ● pamphlets ● photographs ● church registers ● newspapers ● census records ● minutes ● diaries ● films ● maps ● deeds ● records from schools ● hospitals ● businesses and charities ● family estates ● personal papers etc

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