

Sources for the History of Sharrow



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Empire Day, St. Mathias School, 1907
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Lollypop Ladies, Sharrow Lane, 1986
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: Picture Sheffield s22759*)

Sharrow Festival, Mount Pleasant Park, 2005
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: Picture Sheffield u04324*)

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This guide gives a brief introduction to the variety of sources available for researching the history of Sharrow at Sheffield Archives and Local Studies Library.

Sharrow lies just over a mile south of Sheffield City Centre. Historically it has been part of the ancient parish of Sheffield.

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

Books

Chaytor, M., *The Wilsons of Sharrow: the Snuff Makers of Sheffield* (Northend, 1963)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library*: 338.4 S; *Sheffield Archives*: CHA/BUS)

Cope, W. E., *Sharrow Cycling Club, Sheffield: its history and work for 21 years, 1887-1908*
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library*: 796.6 S)

Dull, Charles, *The Establishment of Tobacco Manufacturing: Wilsons and Company - Sharrow Snuff Mill, c 1750-1836* (Thesis, 1996)
(*Sheffield Archives*: DUL/BUS)

Old Sharrow and Nether Edge in Photographs (Nether Edge Neighbourhood Group. Local History Section, 2008)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library*: 942.74 SST)

They Lived in Sharrow and Nether Edge, A Miscellany by the Nether Edge Neighbourhood Group, Local History Section (1988)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library*: 942.74 SQ; *Sheffield Archives*: NET/LOCAL; also available at some community libraries: 920.04282 Q)

Sharrow School centenary, 1887-1987 (1987)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library*: PAMP 167 SQ)

Styring, K., *Four Names - Same Church - a History* (Sharrow Lane Methodist Church) (1991)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library*: 287.1 S; *Sheffield Archives*: STY/ PAR HIST pamphlet)

Turley, J. P., *Pictures of Sharrow in the 1960s* (1997)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library*: 942.74 S)

Walton, M., *A History of the Parish of Sharrow* (1968)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library*: 942.74 S; *Sheffield Archives*: WAL/ PAR HIST pamphlet)

Workshops for the Blind, Sharrow Lane, Sheffield [issued in connection with the formal opening of the Sheffield Corporation's Workshops for the Blind, on the 23rd October 1930]

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: PAMP 911 S*)

Workshops for the Blind, Sharrow Lane, catalogue of products, 1930

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 362.2 SST*)

Hey, David, *A History of Sheffield* (Carnegie, 2005)

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 942.74 S; Sheffield Archives: HEY/LOCAL; also available at most Sheffield libraries*)

Binfield, Clive, *The History of the City of Sheffield 1843 - 1993* (Sheffield Academic Press, 1993) (3 vols)

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 942.74 S; Sheffield Archives: SHE/LOCAL; also available at most Sheffield libraries*)

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*)

Transactions of the Hunter Archaeological Society

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 913.4274 S; Sheffield Archives: HAS*)

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. Some directories are available to view online:

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

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

The parish of St Andrew, Sharrow was formed from parts of the parishes of Ecclesall, All Saints and St Mary, Bramall Lane in 1868.

Sheffield, St Andrew, Sharrow, Anglican Parish, registers and records, 1868 onwards
(*Sheffield Archives: PR74*)

Sheffield, St Mary, Bramall Lane, Anglican Parish, registers and records, 1830 onwards
(*Sheffield Archives: PR56*)

Sheffield, All Saints, Ecclesall, Anglican Parish, registers and records, 1771 onwards
(*Sheffield Archives: PR100*)

Cathedral Church of St Peter and St Paul (formerly Sheffield parish church), registers and records, 1560 onwards
(*Sheffield Archives: PR138*)

Sharovian (parish magazine), 1890 - 1951, 1967, 1989 onwards
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 283.4274 SQ*)

Sharrow Vale Wesleyan Reform Church, Sharrow Vale Road, minutes, registers and papers, 1864 onwards
(*Sheffield Archives: 2013/57 and 2014/7*)

Sharrow Vale Wesleyan Reform Church, Sharrow Vale Road, Sunday School Centenary Celebration, 1972
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: local pamphlets, vol. 278 no. 6 (042 S)*)

Sheffield, St John, Sharrow Lane, Methodist Church, registers and records, c. 1837 onwards
(*Sheffield Archives: NR various accessions*)

Sheffield General Cemetery, registers of burials etc, 1836 onwards
(*Sheffield Archives: microfilms*)

For further details on Anglican parish registers see
www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/parish-registers.html

For further details on Roman Catholic church registers see
www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/roman-catholic-church-registers.html

For further details on non-conformist chapel registers see www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/non-conformist-chapel-registers.html

For further details on cemeteries see www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/cemetery-registers.html

For further details on monumental inscriptions (gravestone transcriptions) see www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/monumentalinscriptions.html

Clubs, Societies and Charities

A search of the online catalogues and the card indexes at Archives and Local Studies may reveal records from Sharrow-based clubs, societies and charities.

For example,

Sharrow Cycling Club year books
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 796.6 S*)

Sharrow Amateur Operatic Society programmes
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: theatre programmes*)

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*)

Prior to 1880 Sharrow came within the jurisdiction of the West Riding Quarter Sessions. Records are held at [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

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

Land, Building and Property Records

Sale particulars (often with plans) date from the late 18th century; some planning applications survive from the late 19th century onwards, etc. For instance, Mansion House and nearly three acres of valuable building land at Mount Pleasant, Sheffield (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: sale plan 6 Dec 1870*).

There are also deeds to properties and records of land valuations which detail owners and occupiers.

A search of the Archives and Local Studies online catalogues and the card indexes may reveal relevant entries.

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](#).

Poor Law, Civil Parish and Local Government records

Sheffield Town Trustees, records from 1297
(*Sheffield Archives: TT*)

Sheffield Church Burgesses, records from 1304
(*Sheffield Archives: CB*)

Sheffield Borough (later City) Council, records from 1843
(*Sheffield Archives: CA*)

Sheffield Poor Law Union (including Sharrow): Guardians' minutes 1890 - 1930 and letter books 1847 - 1861; officers' appointments 1876 - 1913; workhouse punishment book 1903 - 1926, dietary table 1919 (*Sheffield Archives CA 692/1-35, CA24, CA 510*); Copy minutes 1891/2 - 1929/30; Statement of Accounts, 1884–1930 (with gaps); Guardian handbook and list of committees, 1894-1904, 1906-1929 (*Local Studies Library 352.9 S and 352.9 SQ*)

For more information: www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/poor-law-records and www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/workhouses-and-poor-law-unions.html

Schools

Sheffield Archives has records from over 200 schools, including admission registers and head teachers' log books (diaries). For example, there are log books and admission registers for Sharrow Lane Council School from 1887 onwards (*Sheffield Archives acc. 2005/153 and 2008/5*). For a full list of school records see www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/school-records

Minutes of the Sheffield School Board (1870 - 1902) may also be of interest (*Sheffield Archives: SY350; also available at Sheffield Local Studies Library: 379.4274 S*)

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:

Prior to 1914, Sheffield 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 Sheffield prior to 1858 are either held at the [Borthwick Institute](#) for Diocese of York parishes or the [Lichfield Record Office](#) for areas formerly in the Derbyshire area. 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](#).

Other titles in this series

Arbourthorne	Deepcar	Lodge Moor	Sharrow
Attercliffe	Dore	Loxley	Shirebrook
Beauchief	Dungworth	Manor	Shirecliffe
Beighton	Ecclesall	Midhopestones	Shiregreen
Bents Green	Ecclesfield	Millhouses	Southey
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Bolsterstone	Firth Park	Nether Edge	Stocksbridge
Bradfield	Frecheville	Nether Green	Tinsley
Bradway	Fulwood	Netherthorpe	Totley
Brightside	Gleadless	Norton	Upperthorpe
Broomhall	Greenhill	Oughtibridge	Wadsley
Broomhill	Grenoside	Owlerton	Walkley
Burngreave	Greystones	Park	Whirlow
Carbrook	Hackenthorpe	Parson Cross	Wincobank
Chapelton and High Green	Handsworth	Pitsmoor	Winn Gardens
Crookes	Heeley	Porter Valley	Wisewood
Crosspool	Hillsborough	Ranmoor	Woodhouse
Crystal Peaks	Jordanthorpe	Richmond	Woodseats
Darnall	Kelham Island	Ringinglow	

Sheffield Archives and **Sheffield Local Studies Library** services collect and preserve original records and printed material relating to Sheffield and the surrounding area.

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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