

Quarter Sessions

ORDER BOOKS

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Order Book no. 1

Sessions at Guildford, 12 July 1659

p11. 'Whereas at [it?] appereth unto this Court that the Summe of six poundes seaventeene shillings and Eight pence was lately levied by the Sheriffe of this County upon the Goodes and Chattells of Edward Bourne of Epsham Thomas Butcher William Wheeler and Richard Parnell of the same by vertue of an execution obtained by Sir George Sandes Against the Hundred of Copthorne upon a Robbery committed in the same hundred. Itt is nowe Ordered that the present Constables of Epsham doe immediatly proceede to make an equall Rate upon all the Inhabitants of the said parish (except for the Hamlett of Horton and Epsam Court) for the raising of the said summe of six poundes seaventeene shillings and Eight pence. And that they also speedily Gather and Collect the same and pay it unto the parties above mentioned, each man his iust proporcion. And in Casse they or either of them refuse or neglect to doe the same: That the said Constables or Constable soe refusing shall be bound to appere Att the next Quarter Sessions to be holden for this county there to Answer there Contempt'.

Sessions at Guildford, 12 July 1660

p74. Thomas Isted and Ferdinand Duninge elected Constables for the parish of Ewell (George Dowse and Thomas Dingley retiring).

Sessions at Croydon, 15 January 1661

p114. John Bagnall of Ewell, gentleman, elected High Constable for the hundred of Copthorne (Phillipp Richbell retiring).

Sessions at Kingston, 8 October 1661

p196. Henry Eastland of Ebesham, yeoman, elected High Constable for the hundred of Copthorne (Phillipp Richbell retiring).

Sessions at Croydon, 14 January 1662

p215. John Cudington, John Skeete, George Calant, William Parkhurst and Thomas Blake ad pros' travers for the Inhabitants of Ewell.
Non cul'.

Sessions at Reigate, 8 April 1662

p250. Before Christopher Buckle JP, William Bold and Richard Nickolls ad pros' versus Paul Barber and Thomas Skeete [*This is Richard Nichols of Ewell, blacksmith, whose recognisances appear below in Sessions Rolls V m.117 and VII m.239*]. Exon'.

p258. John Cuttington of Ewell elected High Constable for the hundred of Copthorne (Henry Eastland retiring).

p310. Before Christopher Buckle, knight, John Dickinson ad respond'; William Warner ad pros' versus John Dickinson. Exon'; protulit indict'.
[*John Dickeson [sic] of Ewell was charged with theft from William Warner of Dorking, 13 August 1662; see Sessions Roll VII m.239/240 below*). He had appeared earlier, 3 August 1662 (VII m.60), as John Dickinson of Dorking, not Ewell, but this is apparently a mistake].

p335. Itt is Ordered by this Court that the severall persons hereunder written bee allowed the severall pensions hereunder written which are to bee paid unto them by the Treasurers for maymed Soldyers and their said pencions by the said Treasurers by quarterly payments untill this Court take further Order herein to the Contrary... Charles Parkhurst of Epsom, 4l. per annum.

Sessions at Guildford, 14 July 1663

pp384–5. Complaint made on behalf of the Inhabitants of Malden that Margaret Woodstocke, spinster, being lately sent from Malden where she was born, to Ewell, by warrant of Daniel Harvey and Richard Hatton Kts., JPs, lately became sick and impotent at the house of Roger Heath of Worster Parke, where she was a hired servant; that the said Heath alleges his house is not in 'Ewell or any other parish', and sent her to Malden. Ordered that she be sent back to him who is to receive and provide for her according to law until 'he shall make itt appeare in what parish his howse is'.

p395. Pensioners to be paid in the West Division include Charles Parkhurst of Ebsham, £4.

Order Book no. II

Sessions at Reigate, 19 April 1664

pp22–3. At a meeting at Lambeth on 9 May 1664, held in pursuance of an Order at Sessions 19 April last, it was agreed that £600 be raised in Surrey for the ensuing year for Pencioners, Goale, hospitall and charitable uses, and these sums to be apportioned on the parishes by the JPs of the divisions.

In the apportionment of sums within the Hundred of Copthorne, Ewell was assessed for £4 11s 10d and Ebsham for £4 6s 4d.

p39. In regard to the Order made 14 July July last as to the settlement of Margaret Woodstocke by sending her to Roger Heath of Worster Parke where she was a hired servant etc., the Inhabitants of Malden now complain that Roger Heath refuses to receive or provide for her and has not yet been bound over to answer. Confirmation of the said order, binding over the said Heath.

Sessions at Kingston, 4 October 1664

p59. In regard to Margaret Woodstocke, servant to Roger Heath, who became sick and impotent in his service, it was not shown in what parish Roger Heath's house was. Heath protested that the charge of any sick person should not be laid on one individual and prayed discharge from the Order requiring him to provide for her. Evidence on behalf of the Inhabitants of Ewell and Mauldon having been heard, as it was supposed Heath's house of Worcester Parke was in one or other, it was ordered that the said woman be conveyed to Ewell, there to be provided for, unless cause to the contrary be shown.

Sessions at Reigate, 4 April 1665

p98. John Waterer of Ewell elected High Constable for the hundred of Copthorne (Robert Hawkins retiring).

pp99–103. Richard Evelyn, esquire, and Edward Barne, both of Ebsham, and Thomas Fendall and John Waterer, both of Ewell, empanelled among the jurors for the hundred of Copthorne.

Sessions at Guildford 11 July 1665

p118. 'Whereas since the said Visitation of ye plague within the City of London and places adjoining itt hath beene observed that there hath beene a great resort and confluence of people from ye said city to ye parish of Epsham within the County under color and pretence of drinking ye waters there and by that meanes it is too justly to be feared that the infection may be brought not onely to ye said parish but to ye parishes and places adjacent and to ye parishes in the road from London. For prevention whereof ye Justices of peace of this County now present in open Court have made itt their request and desire to Richard Evelyn Esq., one of ye Justices of ye peace of this County now present in Court being Lord of ye mannor of Epsham to shutt and locke up ye wells in ye said parish for this summer and not to permitt ye said waters to be dranke off and to use his utmost endeavour for ye preventing of any strangers coming into ye said parish and for ye preventing of any Coaches to resort to London or to passe with travellers or strangers from thence to ye said parish or to permitt any goods to be brought in Carts waggons or otherwise of any strangers into ye said parish'. Ordered that the constables and headboroughs keep strict watch accordingly. If any offend, Mr. Evelyn is desired to bind them over to appear.

p122. Ordered that Edmond Hord of Ewell be allowed the yearly pension of £4 in place of Daniel Browne deceased. [*Daniel Browne of Carshalton was on the list of maimed soldiers entitled to a pension in Order Book I p335 (1663)*].

Sessions at Dorking, 5 October 1665

p126. Sir Nicholas Carew debet John Cobb for a bastard [*see the recognisance taken out against John Cobb of Ewell for fathering a bastard in Sessions Roll XIX m.38 below*].

p131. 'Uppon readinge of a letter from the Lord Duke of Albemarle Leutenant of the Burrough of Southwarke and parishes adioyning directed to the Justices of the peace of this County on the behalfe of the poore people visited with the pestilence under his

Leiukenancy as also a petition of the Inhabitants of the parish of St. Saviour within the said burrough to the like effect and on Consideration had concerninge the Lamentable Condition of the said Burrough, parishes adioyninge and other the parishes within this County visited with the pestilence and which are unable to releife themselves this Court doth thinke fitt and soe order that there bee an Assessment made on the several parishes and Inhabitants within this County, except the parishes hereunder named which are at present visited with the pestilence for two weekes for the releife of the said visited places’.

Ewell is included among the parishes which are exempt from assessment because they are suffering from the plague.

Sessions at Dorking, 9 January 1666

p143. William Parkhurst and Peter Basemore elected as Constables for the parish of Ewell (John Evans and Thomas Hoard retiring).

Sessions at Reigate, 24 April 1666

p164. Roger Steward elected High Constable for the hundred of Copthorne (John Waterer *[of Ewell]* retiring).

p164. James Palmer elected as Constable for the parish of Epsom (Edward Barrett retiring) and Nicholas Elliott as Constable for ‘Woodcott in the Same’ (Imanuell King retiring).

Sessions at Reigate, 2 October 1666

p200. Whereas at the Sessions of 5 October 1665 it was ordered that certain sums be raised for the relief of the Borough of Southwark and other places and parishes in the county visited with the pestilence, and it appears that the sum of £8 12s 8d charged upon the parish of Ebsham has not been paid, nor even assessed on the parish, it is ordered that the constable, Churchwardens and Overseers of Ebsham appear at the adjournment of this Sessions to be held on 12 October next at St. Margaret’s Hill within the Burrough to show cause why the money has not been assessed and paid. In default, some JP is desired to bind over the said Constable to the next Sessions to answer for contempt.

Sessions at Croydon, 15 January 1667

p211. Nicholas Carew miles debet Edmund Wren pro bono gestu *[see the recognisance taken out against Edward [sic] Wren of Ewell in Sessions Roll XXIV m.159 below]*.

Relax’ et exon’.

Sessions at Reigate, 16 April 1667

p224. Richard Evelyn debet William Pennifold ad respond’ *[see the recognisance taken out against William Pennifold of Ewell in Sessions Roll XXV m.170 below]*.

p230. George Parson of Ebsham elected High Constable for the hundred of Copthorne (Roger Steward retiring).

p231. Ralph Cooper and Edward Blundell elected as Constables for the parish of Ebsham [*sic, but apparently 'Ewell'; see p143 above and p311 below*] (William Parkhurst and Peter Basemore retiring).

Sessions at Croydon, 14 January 1668

p274. William Pennyfold and Walter Pratt alias Phesy, both of Croydon [*but Pennifold is 'of Ewell' in Sessions Roll XXV m.170*], labourers, stand indicted at the Sessions for entering the land of George Plawe, and taking up and carrying off 60 elms. Ordered that Process be stayed, and the matter referred to any two Justices in the Hundred of Wallington who are desired to examine and settle the same according to Law and Justice.

Sessions at Guildford, 14 July 1668

p311. Robert Lucocke and Ollin Dingley elected as Constables for the parish of Ewell (Ralph Cooper of Ewell and Edward Blundell retiring).

Sessions at Kingston, 6 October 1668

p317. Thomas Grove de Ebbsham for riot.
Certiorar' alloc'.

Sara Grove his wife ad pros' travers' for scandalous words regarding Richard Evelyn, knight.
Certiorar' alloc'.

Sessions at Reigate, 20 April 1669

p356. Petition of Thomas Cooper of Ebsham 'who formerly was one of the persons which presented the Surrey Peticion to the Longe Parliament and was there desperately wounded and is since grown very poore'. Ordered that the Treasurers for Charitable Uses for the East and Middle Divisions do pay him 20s for his relief.

Sessions at Kingston, 5 October 1669

p377. Petition of Thomas Cooper of Ebsham, delivered in Court by the Rt. Hon. George Berkeley, stating that he was wounded and disabled in his late Maiesties service. Ordered that he be allowed a yearly pension immediately on the death of the next Pencioner that shall happen.

Sessions at Southwark, 11 January 1670

p395. Ordered that Thomas Cooper of Ebsham, in pursuance of an order made at the last General Quarter Sessions, be allowed the yearly pension of £4, instead of Thomas Roberts, deceased.

Sessions at Reigate, 12 April 1670

p410. William Glover of Ebesham elected as High Constable for the hundred of Copthorne (Richard Denbye retiring).

Sessions at Kingston, 4 October 1670

p440. On reading an order by Christopher Buckle and Robert Coke, esquires, JPs, for the relief of Ewell regarding the female bastard child alleged to be that of John Gowing of Ebsham, coachman, and Anne Hebditch of Ewell, and on hearing of Councell, Ordered that 'for the uncertainty thereof and other defects', the order is discharged. Ordered that the said Justices call the parties before them and make such Order as shall seem meet.

Order Book no. III

Sessions at Croydon, 9 January 1672

p45. Thomas Parkhurst and William [Shirawly?] elected as Constables for the parish of Ewell (Thomas Bartlett and Thomas Dingley retiring). John Vmberfeild and Edward Loveday elected Headboroughs for the parish of Ewell (Edward Heath and Robert Parish retiring).

p81. To the Right Honourable the Lords of his Maiesties most honourable Privy Counsell. Rt. Honble., In pursuance of your lordships Order and direccions of the 18th Jan. last, Wee whose names are subscribed Justices of the Peace of the said County doe humbly represent unto your Honour that... having issued out our Orders to the respective High Constables for their returning unto us respective Lists of such Marriners and Seamen within their severall Divisions Hundred and Parishes... Wee doe herewith according to your Lordships direccions transmit Coppies thereof... The names of the Seamen and Marriners in the Parishes and hundreds within the County of Surrey and Burrough of Southwarke...
Cophthorne hundred
Ebsham – John Maund , age 55
Ewell – John Bagnall, age 28; John Sheires, age 30.