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2   In Chambers Ducat Lanc[ashire]  
3   Corn Int  
4   Edwd[ward] Mosley mil[itas] Attor[ney] general  
5   By Relation Thom[as] Gilbert as of  
6   D[efendant] Hollingworth d[efendant] repoport  
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8   2i8 in 9 nov[ember]: 1633 by  
9   Rob[er]t Governor reg  
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13 by the grace of God king of England Scotland France and Ireland Defend[e]r of the faith w[hi]ch  
14 ?cionssed and well beloved Thomas Clayton John Osborne Richard Brandreth ad Robert Hope sett and div[i]de  
15 greeting and witness ?this matter defend them became before our Chamucello and Cause of our Damage of Land in  
16 Duchie Chamber att our Palace of Westm[minster] between us by relacon of Thomas Gilbert Esquire and Thomas  
17 Hollingworth and ?all Defendante sworne in the said p[ar]ties are proceeded and growne to full ?anios fectissue  
18 As by plead there not againe of accord appoint ?hngst willinge to bee ascertained of the truth of  
19 the said matt[e]r well and reopen[e]d now one two or more of you att tyme and place ? and place  
20 convenient by you to bee Lemired and appointed to call before you by 2arcel hereof the said p[ar]ties Relat[o]r  
21 and Defendant and all such other p[er]sons as you shall thinke meete to inquire of the said matter as well by  
22 vest oath towards peramulacon by word of witnesses as by all other good wayes as might as for  
23 you shall seem best And alsoe to exchange all such witnesses as shall bee procured and cane be fou[ne]d  
24 brought unto open exchange the said Ma[ges]ttee the certaine touch thereof And our further will and  
25 pleasures and now doe syerd by authorise you or any two or more of you to pamell and sware a Imit  
26 or ans[were]for the better sett now forth the true and mst boundaries of the Mannor of Spondon in the County  
27 of Derby and such wastethereof And thereupon to sett and bound out the true and mst boundaries  
28 of the said Mannor and of the waste thereof And allsoe to appont a S[ur]veyor to make and take a S[er]veye  
29 and plot of all the lands in person And thereupon of your sake det[er]m[I]ge and proceedinge herein wee  
30 will mis reign it for any two or more of you by your writinge inclosed under your seales together  
31 ? those onroares al outer iporicons and deposicons hereby taken soued ingrossed into  
32 ground to ? our Chamucello and Comses of one Duchie of Lanc[aster] in our Duchie Chamber

33 out of Hallard of Westnan Meuse next comyng No faileing hereof as noe trust you y[e] Provided  
34 allwayes that the said Relator shall give unto the said Defend you or one of them fourteene dayes nomete of  
35 the used tyme and pleasure cymes and plowe of plantacon hereof ye oven att o? said tallard budor the seale  
36 or as forth dorch the thirteenth daye of June in the ninth yeare of our Raigne Serard

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Deposic[i]ons of witnesses taken at Derby in the County of Derby the xith  
Day of September in the 9<sup>th</sup> years of the Rayne of our sovryayne lord Charles  
By the grace of god king of England Scotland France & Ireland defend[e]r  
of the Faith as before Thomas Anneton John Osborne Richard Brandreth  
Robert Hope gent by virtue of his Mass Commission forth of his highness[s] Courte  
of Dutchie Chambers to them or any two or more of them Directed for the  
examinac[i]on of witnesses in a cause these Depositions in question betw[ee]yn  
S[i]r Edward Mosely k[nigh]t his Ma[ges]tee Attorn[e]y gen[er]all of his Englands said Corte of  
Dutchie Chamber by his relac[i]on of Thomas Gilbert Esq[ire] pl[ant]t[iffe] against  
Thomas Hollingworth John Carrington & others Defents Followeth  
Exam[inin]g James Olerenshaw of Spondon in the County of Derby yeom[an] aged 47 years or  
thereabouts sworne & examined

(15) To the first Interr[ogatory] this Deponent sayth that he hath Dwelt about xviii by years  
in Spondon in the Interr[ogatory] named and by reason here of Doth knowe most p[ar]t of the  
lands w[i]thin the said Lor[dshi]p of Spondon but not soe as he is able to Distinguishe one mans land,  
from an other now to pd forth the extonly of the sayd Mannor, howbeit he well 4arce the  
press of ground in the Interr[ogatory] ment[i]oned called Spondon Waste

(15) To the third Interr[ogatory] he sayth that Brunswood & Goodwidge are enclosed both of them w[i]thin  
one Kings hedg[e] & onely moored by a little brooke or perle and that in Brunswood there is  
one ley or press of Comon or waste grounds by in go betweene Lockoe – Lane and an other press

of Comon ground Called Nilmarke baulk and he further sayth that there is a nother press-  
of ground called Dallyseeche lying in Brunswood parcel5ty noth is soryly contained to be  
parte or all Comon or waste ground, & his Depomt sooryly th in it is soo and as to the  
Landes lying betweene Brunswood & Goodwidge on both sides the brooke, the po[o]re of Spondon  
have been suffered to eate the same noth their Cattle as Comon, albeit this Depon[en]t sooryly  
beleeveth the same is not Comon

(15) To the vith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that since this Depon[en]t came to inhabit at Spondon as  
aforesaid there have been onely two enclosures made from of the sayd Brunswood & Goodwidge  
namely one from of Brunswood w[hi]ch John Carrington tooke in, and an other from of  
Goodwoocg taken in by Richard Taylor and that he sayd John Carrington holds the said  
Close soe by him enclosed, and he sayd Richard Taylor & his assigned to other by him enclosed  
but remembreth not how longe it is since the said Closes or either of them were soe  
enclosed

(3i) To the 3ith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith That Henry Clarke Deceased in the Interr[ogatory] named was  
tenant to the kings land in Spondon noth the p[ar]ts nows sayth for many years as this Depon[en]t  
hath Credibly heard and that he beinge both a freeho[l]der & tenant to the said kings lands these  
had Comon for his sheepe & Cattle w[i]thout stinte or restraunte that this Depon[en]t oud know or  
Credibly heard of

(15) To the xxxiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he is a freeho[l]der in Spondon aforesaid as  
owner of lands worth xth Land noth so bought of the said Richard Clarke Deceased, and

78 sayth that he is not of any alliance or kin[d]red soe to the Defend[an]ts or any of them to his  
79 knowledge

80 Richard Osborne formerly sworne & examined on the Defend[an]ts p[ar]te & now on the  
81 Pl[an]t[iffe]s p[ar]ts

82 (15) To the first Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That he knoweth the Manner or Lor[dshi]p of Spondon  
83 in the County of Derby havinge soe knowne the same by his space of 60 years last past  
84 or there abouts but now Dwelt noth in the said Manner or Lor[dshi]p and Doth also know a  
85 press of ground then called by the name of Spondon waste but now know y[e]t called  
86 by the name of the kings waste

87 (15) To the xiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he hath knowne the said ground Called Spondon  
88 waste 9inds years aboute Michaelmas tyme & most part of winter lye poen by gapps  
89 & places to Brunswood & Goodwith but whether as Comon or by negligence this  
90 Depon[en]t knoweth not

91 (15) To the xxxiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t Sayth that John somd to Thomas Hollingworth one of  
92 the Deffend[an]ts married one of the Depon[en]ts kinswomen but this Depon[en]t knoweth not of any  
93 other kin[d]red or alliance that he is of to any other of the Defend[an]ts neither hath he out xx  
94 Dwelt w[i]thin the said Lord[shi]p now howDoth or Claywoth any thinge thowin,  
95 x pases Collumbess formearly 6arc or the Deffen[dan]ts parte more on the pl[ane]t[iff]s parte

96 (15) To the xii Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that the ground called Spondon waste & hath for the most parte yearly in the winter  
97 tyme layen open by gapps and places soe cast open by passingyard as this Depon[en]t conceiteth sontil towards the fringe that he now

98 made sop againe and sayth that it is a thoungh save for ease mt and Deolylyie the ines and 7arcel7t that the same hath not been 7arc enclosed  
99 at all tymes of the yeare

100 (15) To the thirty second Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayeth hee is a freeho[l]Der noth in Spondon for a piece of Madonie lyinge  
101 w[i]thin the said Lor[dshi]p but Claymoth noe right ofs Comon here by and sayth that there is some alliance betwixt hmp & the wife of  
102 Thomas Hollingworth one of the Deffend[an]ts but this Depon[en]t is not spon on his oath to expresse what the kin[d]red is

103 John Draycot of Loscoe in the County of Derby aged fouety and two years or thereabouts swarne and examined

104 (i) To the first Interr[ogary] he saith that he knoweth the manor or Lordshipe of Spondon in the  
105 County of Derby and hath for known the same by the space of xxxth years last pas[t]  
106 or thereabouts

107 (15) To the twenty second & Interr[ogatory] so saith he well remembers that John Carrington  
108 hath Dinds tymes served at the Courte hath for the mannor of Spondon and sayth that  
109 the said [Thomas] Hollinsworth hath likewise so served or been ameroyed for his Def[fendant] when he  
110 Did not appear for more 7arcel7ty whereof this Depon[en]t referreth himselfe to the  
111 Courte Roals of the said Mannor,

112 (25) To the twenty fifth Interr[ogary] this Depon[en]t saith that this Depon[en]t was Deputie Steward  
113 of the said Mannor of Spondon under the right ho[nara]ble Will[I]am late Earle of ifenbrooke for  
114 ins years together and in those tymes kept the nyme Courts for the said momies  
115 the severall Courte Roules were of written parchment and more showed unto him arewhohely  
116 this Depon[en]t owne said writings as alsoe his name thereto subscribed

117 (15) To the thirtie sixth Interr[ogatory] he sayth he cannot Depose otherwise than he hath Deposed

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119 Thomas Dawson of Spondon in the County of Derby fr[ee]holders and  
120 weaver of praych at Chaddesden in the said court aged forty and two yearsor there abouts  
121 sworne and examined

122 (15) To the second Interr[ogatory] he saith That he well knoweth the arable fields in Spondon  
123 Commonly called the Brooke field and alsoe knoweth Certayne grounds or leys  
124 adioyninge to the said fielde called or known by the name of Goodwich leys  
125 and Brunswood leys w[I]thin the said Mannor or Lor[dshi]p of Spondon having soe knowen  
126 the same all the tyme of his remembrance as beinge borne in Spondon aforesaid  
127 and saith that the said leys called Goodwich leys and Brunswood lees have by  
128 all the tyme of this Dep[onen]ts remembrance until about eleven or twelve years  
129 last past used to be eaten in Comon w[I]th the said Brooke field in  
130 the fallowe year And soe oten as the said Brooke fielde hath been sowen w[I]th corne  
131 then after harvest in ned the Inhabitants of Spondon aswell Bottagors as athers  
132 how used to put in their Catte into the said Brunswood and Goodwich leys whous  
133 any stint ympoundinge or intrrupcon till about tenn or twelve years last past  
134 that the said leys were enclosed and saith that to this Depon[en]ts now best remembrance  
135 one Will[ia]m Benet then servent to the now Earle of Chesterfield was the cause of  
136 the enclosure of the said Brunswood and Goodwich leys w[hi]ch beying soe enclosed  
137 by the consent of the freehaulers hee and they afterwards stinted the same amongst  
138 them by the acars and that since the same hath beene soe enclosed the poore



139 Cottages of Spondon have be[e]ne Debarred of Comon for their Cattle their  
140 (3) To the third Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith That the heighe way lying in the Goodwich  
141 leys noth Lead eh from Brookfielde gate to Lokoe Lane and is enclosed w[I]tin the  
142 said Goodwich leys w[i]th being an ancient heigh way this Depon[en]t Concouisly to be  
143 Comon and that there is a piece of grounde Called Dallyseech lying in the nether  
144 end of Brunswood leys and in the lands end of the said seech w[hi]ch is waste or comon  
145 grounde and no man maketh title or Clayme kenods (that this Depon[en]t knows th[i]s of  
146 and saith that there is in Brunswood aforesaid an other 9arcel or ley of grounde  
147 Comonly Called the Comon Ley and an other p[ar]cell of Comon or waste grounde  
148 in Goodwich beinge alsoe a ley with During all the by me of this Depon[en]t knowledge  
149 9arce of late tymes hath gone to the Councill of the Clerke keeper of Spondon  
150 and he likewise saith that Goodwich aforesaid Close by the brooke found there  
151 here is an other little peece or 9arcel of waste grounde and that w[i]thin the tyme  
152 of this Depon[en]t remembrance he hade ends on both sides the brooke hath beene Juton  
153 as Comon albeit this Depon[en]t beleeveth the same are not Comon but are hud[g]es  
154 belonginge to the said leys  
155 (4) To the Fourth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that w[i]thin the tyme of this Depon[en]ts  
156 remembrance he hath knowen the had[g]es belonging to the Seidall Closes not used  
157 or belonging unto Thomas Tomlinson John Widdowson that there and Richard ,  
158 Knowles lye w[i]thouth their Closes for the plhisse and his enclores heigh way from

159 Lockoe to Spondon Church but the said hed[g]es one of later tymes enclosures of noth hedges and Ditches, and further sayeth that there  
160 one two other closes and the inheritance

161 of the said Knoweles and the other belonginge to one Hibbard and Thomas Tomlinson through w[hic]h he said plainity and his enclosures  
162 have had a heighboar to the Church of Spondon and sayth that he said Knowels hath set up a gate for the said way

163 accasioused there to by a payne set on his head for Default there of,

164 (15) To the eighthe Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that aboute thirtie years since one John,  
165 Aouton then a freehoulder in Spondon aforesaid accompayned noth many of  
166 the porer sourt of the Inhabitants of Spondon Did cast upon the Close called  
167 rough Close noth being then to this Depon[en]ts John remembrance in the honour of  
168 Mr Bryrch then soiccass of Spondon where affirmois to this Depon[en]t that he was  
169 at the Charges of the takeing in of the said Close and sayth that the said Aoaton  
170 and the croft afore said Did them alsoe Caste upon another Close Called Borow wood and  
171 Diuds other parcells of grounde noth in the Lord[shi]p of Spondon for wh[ic]h afctrisardly Duids of them by the then Lady Stanhoppe  
172 meanes were Comitted to prison and that they  
173 inhabitants of Spondon or four of them have ever since received the rents & effidy  
174 of the said Close Called the rough Close Vooke soutill of late years that the pl[an]tiffe  
175 Demanding rent for the faune the said Inhabitants there upon have suffered the  
176 Faucid to lye opon and in Comon, and he likewise sayth that the said Mr Bryth  
177 now the aunciontoist tenent to the said Rough Close nooker, that this Depon[en]t can  
178 remember and after Mr Bryrch one Richard Aoton and after him one wr?  
179 Were tenents to the said Close and that the rent heard of for many years past hath

180           bene twenty shillings p[er] ann[um], and further heard to Decpo[on]th not  
181   (15)   To the tenth and eleventh Interr[ogatory] Depo[on]th not  
182   (15)   To the fourteenth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that the caunt Deon[en]t otherwise then he hath heape  
183           To the second Interr[ogatory] said that there are said a hei[d]ge ways goeing one and there on  
184           The said Brunswood and Goodwyth leys noth are there in enclosed but whether  
185           Said enclosures were made by the Comsore of the Kinge or his former this Depon[en]t  
186           Knoweth not,  
187   (15)   To the fifteenth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he cannot Depose otherwise than he

188 sayth Deposed to the third pesed pleading Interr[ogatory] soe that the Cottages and poor people

189 ?stints w[I]thin the Mannor of Spondon aforesaid have all the tyme of this Depon[en]t

190 ? until such tyme as Brunswood and Goodwich leys were enclosed as

191 aforesaid

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193                               ?yed and tethered their kind and other Cattle upon the ground lyinge either side the Brooke  
194 along from a place now called the Brooke field gate to or very nearunto a place now  
195 called Lockoe lane end, and sayth that the said Depon[en]t hath in his tyme kept  
196 horses upon the said ground, and seen others Doe the like,  
197 (17) To the xviithe Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith that hed this Depon[en]t cannot of his owne contayne  
198 knowledge sayth that the ground lying in Brookfeilds in Spondon aforesaid  
199 Called pite hades is Comon ground but saith that the same by all the tyme of this  
200 Depon[en]ts remembrance hath bene soe no prk a and fallen and sayth that away lying by  
201 and through the same is Contyned by Comon and that the pore Oubbyers and e[i]ther the  
202 Inhabitants of Spondon afore said have used to eate the same as Comon at rememable  
203 tymes Cp that a be auses louogh or better of the said hades are now encroached upon or  
204 plowed away by these haus lands of hodscing uppon the same but the names of  
205 them w[ho]se haus soe encroached and plowed the same away this Depon[en]t never  
206 knoweth not,  
207 (20) To the twentyth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he hath Credibly heard that the  
208 Churchwardens of Spondon for the tyme beyinge have had some writings or  
209 attempts conteyninge their receipts of the rents of all or parte of the Comon ground  
210 of Spondon wh[ich] have bene fatt and further have to Depopth not,  
211 (21) To the xxith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith That w[i]thin the space of twenty years last  
212 past there hath bean seventeene or eighteene said all enclosures w[ith]hin Spondon

213 afore said wh[ich] were made for the most parte by exchange of lands one freeholder w[it]h  
214 an other or noth other mens to nonly but wh[ich] other the kinge or any for hui was or  
215 were Consentinge thems[elves] into this Depon[en]t knoweth not,  
216 (22) To the twenty second Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that the said freeholders wh[ich] pases soe a  
217 enclosed w[i]thin Spondon as afore said and thouse the same like in said all y[ea]r Did not  
218 withstand dringe keeps as goats or greater flock of sheepe horses and Cattell on the arable fe[i]ld  
219 waste and Comon grounds in Spondon aforesayd as formerly they Did to the oppossion  
220 of theire pour neighbours and other Inhabitants  
221 (27) To the Twenty and seventh Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That all the yeares of Comon and waste ground  
222 lying Disparsedly w[i]thin Brunswood and Goodwich leys are hedged wayted and taken  
223 in and w[i]th[in] a Ringe fence from ether mens grounds that lye adjoining into the said  
224 Brunswood and Goodwich and soe further sayth that the said Brundswich and Goodwich leys  
225 w[i]th all the soul all p[ar]cells of waste and Comon grounde by mige Disparsedly w[i]thin  
226 them were taken in and enclosed w[i]th a ringe hedge and wayle by they Inhabitants of  
227 Spondon afore said a bouts ten or twelve years last past swire wh[ich] tyme they have  
228 enjoyed the same to theire owne orse and kept out the pore for ought this Depon[en]t knoweth  
229 to the Contrary save that upon they were first taken in he hath Credibly heard  
230 they allowed the pore same thinge by abuteing of their appoucon of Ioyst  
231 (28) To the xxviiiith Interr[ogatory] this Dopen[en]t sayth that he knoweth the grounde upon the Manor  
232 of Spondon Commonly called the waste or Spondon waste and sayth that the said

233 waste Doth lye adjoyneyning to Spondon More on the cast and to Brunswood  
234 leys on the waste, save that a little pyngle belonging to Aoatons farme mitpoth  
235 some part there of the pfitts of wh[ich] pyngle goe to the soke of Elvaston Church  
236 or the poore of Elvaston, and that the said waste is now enclosed and  
237 eunyrenes on the North and South sides wh[ich] other mens hedges  
238 and soe hath beene beyonde the memory of this Depon[en]t,  
239 (30) To the xxxth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he hath Credibly heard that the housouais  
240 Croft or backside there to belonging Contayning by astinoicun an acre and  
241 an halfe or there abouts in tenance of Thomas Widdowson of Spondon and or  
242 Coppy houlde lands and further saith that there is two peeces of land in  
243 Spondon feilde Called Burrowe feilde Called Hersim and Noaser gate  
244 Contayneing aboute one acre of lande w[i]thin During abb the time of this Depon[en]t  
245 remembrance hath beene and now is by the Inhabitants of Spondon allowed to  
246 John Russell the keeper of the waste for the towne of Spondon and ale yearly roosly  
247 tenn shilling or there abouts then les it be upon that fields lyeth fallowe and sayth that  
248 there is alsoe in the said Borrowfield two little roods of arable lands in the occupason  
249 of Gracia Taylor for wh[ich] payable twelve pence yearly to the Churchwardens of  
250 Spondon for the townes safe and that there is alsoe a little pyngle in Spondon meadows  
251 adjoining to Swes lane and Called the Church pyngle worth 3s 4d or 4s 1£ and or there abouts  
252 noth is allowed 2 the Clerke keeper of Spondon as phr of his wages noth pyngle





261 Townes use one baulk Called by the name of Alytree & arable buting betwixt  
262 Anktin hedge and the brooke in the occupaton of John walker Contayning about three  
263 roods or an acre a thead parte there of having been plowed the middle thereof lying  
264 to the fielde and heges p to having lately beene enclosed of the yearly rent of  
265 six shillings eight pence or there abouts upon the field & is not fallowed wh[ich] likewise  
266 the said John walker the Clerk keep[er] hath in further parte of the wages for  
267 keeping the Clerk & that there is allso a peece of ground called Loxseers peece or townes peece  
268 containeing about an acre lying in Burrow field aforsaid noth hath [unreadable]  
269 and a other tymes twenty six shillings and eight pence p[er] ann[um] and hath bene ibnused to the said Townes  
270 safe one noth said send all p[ar]cells of lande (other than the said Coppyhold) are accompted and have  
271 bene used as common land of the Tenents of Spondon but this Depon[e]nt never heard that the farm  
272 were concealed lands

273 (31) To the one and thirty Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that Henry Clarke Deceased  
274 was many years tenant to two flatts of the kings land in Spondon nowne in  
275 the Complac occupacon and that he then hadd Cattle as other farmers had  
276 in the Comon fields of Spondon

277 (34) To the four and thirty Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that it being a cussion w[i]thin the lands  
278 of Spondon that two of the tenants or freehoulders there Called the waste [afo]resaid have by and  
279 Doratn tweve or houseforied gathered the kings rent for the wast of Spondon and this  
280 Depon[ent]s father about xxi years agoe being by furine one of the co waste rents Did

281 a paym[en]t this Depon[en]t to gather the same at wh[ich] said tyme the stint or of poucon was a paimed  
282 about for acre y beast that Did pasture upon the said waste but sayth that of the latter  
283 tymes the said Inhabitants of Spondon have enclosed their apporcon of  
284 Cattle to half the aubi out that so as now the stint rent is 2 s  
285 for every beast and he likewise sayth that he soe appoynted by his  
286 father as aforesaid Did receind the said stinted rent according to the rote or rentall  
287 noiod Ifeiwed unto him being unholy his own[e]d hand writing and pay[e]d the same owner to the Covimpt md Thomas Gilbert being then  
288 the kinges Valine there for his Ma[ges]tees  
289 use  
290 Robert Rowland of Chaddesden in the County of Derby yeoman aged xxxiiii years  
291 or there aboutssworne & examined  
292 (9) To the ixth Inter[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That he and to his cost remembrance this  
293 Croft nominated as inrers in the Courte Roule nowe nowed unto him engrosses in of thimdal  
294 and Dated the xxviith Day of March 1632 were appointed and sworne by the then  
295 Steward of the Mannor of Spondon for setting forth of high ways and other  
296 peeces of Comon grounds there upon or w[it]hin Brunswood and Goodwyth leys  
297 beying p[arc]ell of and w[it]hin the Mannor or Lor[dshi]p of Spondon aforesayd and that at  
298 such said Courte there was sathe of Dinds aged men given to this Depon[en]t and to them  
299 following Interr[ogatory] touching the said heigh ways and Comon Grounds for more certayntie  
300 noth from and what this Depon[en]t and his fellowe Interr[ogatory] there upon soe and he refereth himselfe

301 to their yard it Complised in the said Courte Roule showed he this Depon[en]t being not  
302 now able to charg his memory with the p[ar]ticulers there of  
303 (24) To the xxiiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that During all the tyme of his remembrance such as  
304 have farumed the kings Domaine lands in Chaddesden w[it]hin the said Mannor of  
305 Spondon have had Comon of pasture w[it]hin the fallows there and other Comonall  
306 pastures w[it]hout stinte  
307 Francis Cockaine of Chaddesden in t[he] County of Derby gent aged fiftie  
308 years or there abouts swourne and examined  
309 (9) To the ninth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that this Depon[en]t and as he verily thinks  
310 All the wast[e] of the Interr[ogatory] named in the Coppy of the Courte Roules names sqward unto him  
311 being engrossed in parchm[en]t Dated xxviith of March 1632 were sworne  
312 and Charged by the then Steward of the Mannor of Spondon to enquire of certayne  
313 heigh wayes so pyesed to be enclosed or stopped w[it]hin the said Mannor in certayne places  
314 Called Brunswood and Goodwayth leys and of Cortayne Comon grounds lyinge  
315 Disporsedly w[it]hin the said Mannor Did as there to mMOVED and enclosed by the wayes any  
316 Duidents of aged men present and syned Containing the said heigh wayes & Comon  
317 groundes to the assort Contayned in the said Courte Roll for more Certaynty  
318 wherecan he as foureth him selfe there to  
319 (24) To the xxiiiith Inter[ogatory] he sayth that the farmers of the kinges lands in Chaddesden  
320 Being w[it]hin the parish and Mannor of Spondon have all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts

321 remembrance bene owners or farmers of other lands besides the kings lands there  
322 and have had Comon wi[t]hout stint in the fields there and other Comonable places  
323 but whether in uspect of the said kings lands or of the other lands this Depon[en]t  
324 knoweth not,  
325

326 John Johnson of Spondon in the County of Derby yeoman aged Lx six years or  
327 there abouts sworne and examined.

328 1 To the first Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayrg that he Doth for the most p[ar]t know the Mannor or Lordship  
329 Of Spondon in the County of Derby, handings so knowne the same by the fyard of fourty years  
330 last past and Doth know a p[a]cell of ground there called by the name of Spondon waste

331 10 To the tenth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that hee beinge a freeholder in Spondon hath heard to ford in  
332 kight thereof had seaven beast gates in the said ground called Spondon waste, but of later  
333 tymes the said Inhabitants have Drauond the said ground to half the stint in regard it was  
334 surcharaed, and that the same payed for every beast so depastured there a penny to the kinges  
335 Behind for the tyme beinge, but this Depon[en]t sayth that he now hast any lease graunt or forme  
336 of years of the said beast pastures or any ptd thereofh from anyone, not heard that any other have hais  
337 The same beinge couceined to be p[ar]te of his freehold

338 11 To the xith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that the yearly rent that this Dep[one]nt payeth to his Ma[ges]ttees  
339 Baylines for his beast gates in the said Spondon waste is seven pence, pay[e]d at or about  
340 Witsontide yearly to the waste keends noho gathered the same, and (as this Depon[en]t conceineth  
341 pay it on to the kinges use, and sayth that the said wast[e] keends Did so gather the said kent  
342 for the said pasture by agreement of the said Inhabitants of Spondon amongst themselves as  
343 this Depon[en]t takes yt

344 14 To the xiiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that Brunswood leys and Goodwyche leys by all the tyme  
345 of this Depon[en]ts remembrance have layen open to the arrable field called Brooke field in Spondon

346 and bene used and Daton in Comon by the freeholders tenants and poore Costiers there noth their  
347 cattle together with the said field upon harsost hath bene iness, untill the said field hath bene  
348 sowen againe with Corne & lay[e]d pow all, until of late years that the said Brunswood and  
349 Goodwyche leys were enclosed from the said field and that he rorgly thinkes that one  
350 William Bonnit late servant to the Right ho[near]ble Earle of Chesterfield was p[ar]tly the cause  
351 of theire so enclosing, and sayth that surch of the Inhabitants of Spondon as clayme any  
352 right or interest in the said Goodwyche & Brunswood have enclosed the same and so also  
353 that to his best knowledge the poore Cottiers of Spondon ever since the said enclosures of the said  
354 Grounde have bene Debarred of theire Comon there, but whether the kinge or his farmer  
355 or any other for him gave comfort to the enclosure of the said grounds, this Depon[en]t knoweth not  
356 And he likewise sayth that there is one heigh way leadinge through Brunswood & Goodwyche  
357 leyes, and as he hath heard a ley of Comon land lying in Brunswood.

358 (18) To the xviiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that Thom[as] Hollingsworth one of the Deffendants of kinge  
359 this Depon[en]t what he give towards the mayntenance of this suite this Depon[en]t answered  
360 him he would give nothinge, for he had given his land to his sonn & it concerned his sonne  
361 & not him neither in tenth hath this Depon[en]t contibuted any thinge to this suite nor knowenly  
362 what any other Do contribute to his suite, nor have the same is raised or lowyerd.

363 (22) To the xxiith Interr[ogatory] he Deposeth not.

364 (32) To the xxxiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he is Closer to John Taylor one of the Defendants  
365 Dwelleth in Spondon aforesaid & doth as yet occupy enjoy some p[ar]t of his freehol[d]e there

366 where uppon he himself.

367 William Corop formerly Sworne in the Deffen[e]ts part nowe on the plaintiffs part.

368 (1) To the first Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth the Mannor or Lor[dshi]p of Spondon and hath soe knowne the same  
369 by the space of three score years or thereabouts by all with tyme he hath bene a Dweller w[it]hin Spondon  
370 aforesaid

371 (2) To the second Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith he well knowes the arable fields in Spondon Called Brooke  
372 field as alsoe Goodwych leys and Brunswood leys lying w[it]hin the said Mannor adjoining unto the  
373 said Brooke Field having soe known the same by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance and that the  
374 said Brunswood and Goodwych leys were usually eaten w[it]hin the said Brooke field in the fallowe year  
375 before the[y] were enclosed and with the said field upon it was sowen w[it]h corne after the same was cut and  
376 carried away and that the Inhabitants of Spondon aswell Cottagers as others have used to put their  
377 Cattle into the said Brunswood and Goodwych leys w[it]hout any stint until the same were enclosed, and  
378 he also sayth that the said Goodwych and Brunswood leys were enclosed by Numb[e]rs of the Inhabitants  
379 of Spondon but knoweth not howe longe it is since the same were enclosed and sayth that the poore  
380 Cottagegers there have beene Debarred of their Comon w[it]hin the said Brunswood and Goodwych leys since  
381 the same were enclosed.

382 (15) To the xvth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that all the tyme of this Depon[en]t remembrance there hath been  
383 a Common baulke lying w[it]hin Brunswood leys where poore people have teathered and kept their  
384 kynd untill the said grounds were enclosed and sayth that the said Comon baulke lyeth upon the  
385 brooke field between Goodwych and Brunswood and that there is a Comon ley lying at Silmarch

386 baulke end in brooke fielde and he like wise sayth that the grounde lying by the brooke along from  
387 brooke field gate to or near into neather lockoe lane end have beene all the tyme of this Depon[en]t  
388 w[it]hin remembrance used as Common grounde for the poore cottygers to teather their kynd upon, untill the same  
389 was enclosed but this Depon[en]t sayth that he doth not knowe that the same is Comon ground, and  
390 he further sayth that the press of grounde called Dalleyseech lying in Brunswood afore said hath  
391 allways been used as wast[e] ground but whether the same be wast[e] or not this Depon[en]t knoweth not,  
392 and sayth that he this Depon[en]t hath kept a Cowe upon the said Comon peece in the sumers tyme any  
393 hath seene others Doe the like

394 (17) To the xviith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that the tyme of this Depon[en]t rememberence there a  
395 peece of land in Brook field Called pyke hades w[hic]h hath been and tethered as other the said common  
396 peeses have have been in the Townes by me and that a great p[ar]te of the said Pike hades is plowed or  
397 encroached to sev[er]all acres land ends that butt their upon twenty yeards in length or there abouts

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399 but the names of those who have encroached upon the said Pike hades he remembers not  
400 John Lossell of Spondon in the County of Derby labourer aged 50tie years or there abouts sworne  
401 and examined  
402 1 To the first Interr[ogatory] he saith that he well knows the Mannor of Spondon as being there borne and hath end  
403 Since Dwelt there and knoweth a p[ar]cell of grounde there Called Spondon Waste  
404 5 To the fifth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he hath himselfe kept a Cowe and some Cottiers and other  
405 pore men of Spondon by sufferance and good will of the freeholders of Spondon teather and keepe  
406 their Cattle upon the Comon grounde there leading from Brook feyld gate to Lockoe lane end  
407 but Doth not remember any mans name other than his own that hath soe kept them there and saith  
408 that the Cottiers and other pore people of Spondon Do not now putt in any Cattle into Brunswode  
409 and Godwyche nor have beene Doone by the house of xxtie years last past or there abouts to this Depon[en]ts  
410 knowledge and further to this Interr[ogatory] Deposeth not  
411 13 To the xiiiith Interr[ogatory] he saith That about three or four years since he this Depon[en]t Did one Day grubb  
412 There in Spondon waste aforesaid and had five pence for his Dayes worke but who then set him on work

415 pay[e]d him his wages or to whose use to there were Consent this Depon[en]t remembereth not how be it  
416 that in grubbing the said thorne he did breake the soyle of the said waste and he further sayth that about  
417 the tyme aforesaid he this Depon[en]t and one Henry Richard Did by the appointment of one Thomas  
418 Widowson pay[e]d them either xviii d or xx d for their paynes

419 14 To the fourteenth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith That Brunswood Leys and Goodwych Leys by ?  
420 of this Depon[en]ts remembrance till of late years that the same were enclosed ?only last year?  
421 and beene eaten and used in Comon w[I]th Brook field by the Cattle of ?  
422 and pore Cottiers of Spondon aforesaid when herest hath been med till he saye further  
423 been sowen or kept sev[er]all againe and further to this Interr[ogatory] Deposeth not

424 27 To the twenty seventh Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that the poorare kept out as to said  
425 Brunswood Leys and Goodwych leys ever since they were enclosed & sayth that the same are  
426 now wysled w[I]th Cattle but whether they give any allowance to the Cottyers this Depon[en]t  
427 knoweth not

428 Henry Dickans of Spondon in the County of Derby labourer aged 58 years or there  
429 Abouts sworne and examined

430 1 To the first Interr[ogatory] he saith that he knoweth the Mannor or Lord[shi]p of Spondon in the County of  
431 Derby as being there borne and hath known the same from his Child hood, and knoweth a p[ar]cel  
432 of ground there Called by the name of Spondon wast[e]

433 13 To the xiiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that about thirte years since Thomas Hollingworth John Taylor  
434 John Carrington together w[ith]h one Robert Moirigh and some other of the Inhabitants of Spondon

435 whose names he now remembreth not Did hire this Depon[en]t Richard Robinson Thomas and some  
436 others whose names he now & remembereth to grubb up thornes then growing upon the said  
437 wast[e] and sayth that they accordingly grubbed thornes there Duds Days but now remembereth  
438 not how many and sayth that they had Ditch five pence a Day and some thornes for their  
439 wages and this maynely thornes were to have beene sould to have pay[e]d others for grubbing  
440 more thornes there but the most of them were stolene and Carried away before they were pule  
441 and sayth they were forbydd on soe to grubb thornes thereby the Davigll and his farme Mr Thomas  
442 Gilbert where w[ith] this Depon[en]t acquinteing the neighbours of Spondon they bad this Depon[en]t to  
443 god on and they would mayntayne them in pl and sayth that in grubbing up the said thornes  
444 they Did broake the sayle of the said Spondon Wast[e] and he further sayth that about the tyme  
445 aforesaid he this Depon[en]t and one John Russell as hyered by Thomas Widdowson and soe cutt  
446 Downe and Square an Oake then growing upon the said Wast[e] to lay and the further brook for a pooke  
447 passage, and that the said Widdowson pay[e]d them xx pence for their said labour & he had all the  
448 Chipps and Fall of the said tree.

449 14 To the xiiiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that Brunswode leys and Goodwyche leys have by all the  
450 tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance till aboute ten or eleven years last past that they were enclosed leyen  
451 open to Spondon arable fildes fallow Brooke fildes and have by all the tyme aforesaid benefits  
452 and eaten in Comon by the Cattle of the freeholders tennents and poore Cottiers of Spondon aforesaid  
453 w[ith]in the said Brooke fildes upon harness hath beene inned till the said hath been sowed and lay[e]d sev[er]all  
454 again and he further sayeth to his best remembrance William Bennet Deceased late servant to the Earl

455 of Chesterfeilde was the Cheife Cause of the said enclosure and other of the freehoulders of Spondon  
456 icyual w[i]th him therein and this Depon[en]t sayth that he heard the said Bennet then express himself yt  
457 the poore of the said towne should not be hindered nor wronged by such the said enclosures soe servd  
458 should be Surimsted with iurst for there Cattle therein offer the rate of five shillings one noble  
459 a beast but this Depon[en]t sayth he pay[e]d ix s for ixit of a beast there the first or second joyst Day after  
460 they were soe enclosed and and further they have been at x s a beast soe that the soo that the poor who have  
461 no ground w[i]th in the same are hindered there by and saith that he never paid that either the king or  
462 any of the farmers were consentinge to such said enclosures and alsoe saith that there are two  
463 ways enclosed w[i]th in the said enclosures one of them a[n] unusuall heigh way and theker by Comon report  
464 of other men hath been used for away and that by Comon and Credible report there is some  
465 press of ground lying by the brooke sideshutting upon Brunswood w[hic]h is Comon or  
466 ground and likewise that there a Comon baulke Called Sillimart baulke y[e]t adjoyne[ing]  
467 Brunswood Leys and lyeth in the brook field.

468 27 To the 27th Interr[ogatory] he sayth that the said Brunswood leys and Goodwyche Leys were before the tyme  
469 of this Depon[en]ts remembrance enclosed on the East weast & North part and some p[art]  
470 South w[i]th two or three smale pyngles, and that the said Inhabitants of Spondon when they soe  
471 enclosed the said grounds as aforesaid Did onely supply the Dessent on the South part and he  
472 further sayth that the Comon baulk Called fillemast baulke Doth lye in Brooke field in terming had  
473 amongst other mens lands and the other poore w[hic]h by Comon report not Comon ground by other  
474 in the bottome of Brunswood intermixt w[i]th in the same and not enclosed or sev[er]all And futher

475 sayth that the freehoulders and Inhabitants of Spondon not have any lands w[ith]in Goodwich &  
476 Brunswood aforesaid have had the benefit there of to themselves one p rota and kept out all others  
477 and further to this Interr[ogatory] he Doth not Depose.

478 Gratian Taylor of Spondon in the County of Derby yeom[an] aged 79 years or there abouts  
479 sworne & examined

480 1 To the first Interr[ogatory] he saith that he knoweth the manor or L[ordship] of Spondon having p known the same  
481 by the space of three score and tenn years or there abouts being there bro[o]d & borne

482 2 To the second Interr[ogatory] he saith that he well knoweth the arable fields in Spondon Called brook field &  
483 Doth allsoe knowe the ground or leys w[ith]in the L[ordshi]p of Spondon adjoyning the said brooke field  
484 Comonly called Goodwych Leys and Brunswood Leys, having for knowen the same by all the tyme  
485 of his remembrance & sayth y[e] by all the tyme afore said the said grounds called Good[wych] [Leys] [and]  
486 Brunswood Leys have used to be taken as Comon w[ith]h the said Brooke field in the fallow year  
487 & soe fore as the said Brook field hath beene sowne w[ith]h Corne when harvest hath been med until  
488 about twelve years last past that the same were enclosed & he further saith that until such said  
489 encloseres made as aforesaid the said Goodwych & Brunswood leys as Dui? other closures w[I]in the Lor[dshi]p of  
490 Spondon p[ar]cell of the said Goodwich & Brunswood Leys w[hi]h w[I]thin the tyme of this Depon[en]ts  
491 ? the same been together w[I]th the said Goodwich leys & Brunswood Leys eaten in comon  
492 ? to tymes of the year & y[e]t the poor people of Spondon have ever since such said  
493 ? from such said Coming for their Cattle as aforesaid  
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495 10 To the xth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he is not tenant of Spondon Wast[e] in the Interr[ogatory]  
 496 mencioned or any part thereof but conteneth themselves to be a freehoulder w[ith]in the same & y[e]t he  
 497 this Depon[en]t and the other freehoulders w[ith]in Spondon w[hi]ch have beat gates there pay a penny a beat  
 498 gate yearly for any beast gate they have belonging to their said all farmers sixteen shillings or  
 499 seventeen shillings whereof is pay[e]d to the kings Bayliff but this Depon[en]t sayth y[e]t he Doth not challenge  
 500 any thinge w[ith]in the said Spondon Wast[e] by lease or grant from any man, but ass a freehoulder  
 501 w[ith]in Spondon as aforesaid  
 502 12 To the xiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t he sayth that he this Depon[en]t for his goto hath pay[e]d for his beast gates in the  
 503 Said Spondon wast[e] a pennie a beast gate for the soace of fiftie years last past or thereabouts, sowe y[e]t for tenn  
 504 years last past or thereabouts such freehoulders as have beast gates w[ith]in Spondon waste, have reduced  
 505 their stintes there to half the p porcon of the ancient stint soe as now they pay two pence a beast gate  
 506 there and alsoe sayth that the said Spondon waste after that it was out eaten by the freehoulders and  
 507 their Subtennants hath yearly lyen open by gaps & places from about Markemas untill about  
 508 Candlemas after that the same gapps were made up againe, and the same hath been soe used by all the tymes  
 509 of this Depon[en]ts remembrance, but sayth that he now know it kept seadably at all tymes of the year  
 510 (20) To the xxth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that when he was a boy it was a Comon speech amongst the Inhabitants  
 511 of Spondon that a peece of grounde w[ith]in Spondon called Deysick was given to Spondon to keep  
 512 a town bull uppon but sayth he hath not seene, knowed, heard, or read any evidence or writings  
 513 concerning any lands given to the Church, town or Inhabitants of Spondon

514 (21) To the xxith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he cannot in certayne pticulate nor number the sev[e]rall closes w[it]hin the manor of Spondon  
 515 but very line thinks that they there are not lesse than foure score or a hundred Closes w[it]hin Borrowash  
 516 Spondon, & well remembers that all Spondon & Borrowash meadows lay open when this Depon[en]t was a  
 517 boy, and he also sayeth y[e]t he this Depon[en]t hath his owner occupacon two closes of w[it]hin the said Lor[dshi]p of  
 518 Spondon there where of was enclosed about sixtie years agoo & thether about thirtie years agoo  
 519 And sayth that Divers of thether enclosures have been made by dychauging and freehoulders with an  
 520 other or theire tenannts but sayth that he Doth not conceive that such enclosures were made by consert  
 521 of the kinge being lord of the mannor or any for him that this Depon[en]t and know of  
 522 (30) To the xxxth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith that he hath heard it reported that the house & crosstie there unto adjoining  
 523 In Spondon aforesaid wherein Thos Widdowson now Dwelleth one Coppihould lands, & sayth that he Doth  
 524 not know of any consealed lands w[it]hin the manor of Spondon  
 525 (32) To the xxxiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t id father to John Taylor one of the Defendants, and is a freehoulder w[it]hin  
 526 Spondon aforesaid but not of kindred to any other of the Defendants to his knowledge  
 527 (34) To the foure & thirtieth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that two by houserowd Doth eventually gather the kings rent for  
 528 Spondon waste where of this Depon[en]t hath once or twice been and who have soe gathered the same and that  
 529 they soe gathered the same by tenure, and sayth that for his part pay[e]d the same to outr Mr Rob[er]t Newton being then the late Queenes  
 530 Bayliffe for the said manor of Spondon & further to this Interr[ogatory] Deposeth not,  
 531 William Lockoe of Ilkeston formily sworne & examined on the Defend[e]nts p[ar]te  
 532 now sworne & examined on the Counpl[ainen]ts part  
 533 (1) To the first Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth not all the Lord[shi]p or manor of Spondon but the most part thereof, and  
 534 that he was borne in Spondon & there up brought untill he was about twelve years of age but since then

535 hath Dwelt in Dqtmor and Ilkeston & other places four or five miles Distant from here

536 (12) To the xiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he well remembers that Brunswood leys have lyen open for the Winter  
537 season

538 he is not of any kyndred or any allyence to any of the Defendants that he

539 this Depon[en]t knoweth of but sayth y[e]t John Lockoe a freehoulder of Spondon is his nephew

540 John Stanley of Spondon in the County of Derby labourer aged foure score years

541 and upwards sworne & examined saith

542 (1) To the first Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth the manor or Lords[hip] of Spondon in the County of Derby as  
543 being there bread & boarne & Earting lived there all his life tyme

544 (2) To the second Interr[ogatory] he sayeth that he well knoweth Spondon arable fields called Brooke field, and knoweth  
545 the pounds in Spondon adjoined to the said field & called Brunswood Leys & Goodwych Leys having for knowne  
546 the same by all the tyme of his remembrance and sayth y[e]t swoprne this Depon[en]t could remember they nodded  
547 unenclosed & open the said Brooke field was fallow they were eaten as Comon & upon the field was sowed with  
548 Corne they were sow[e]d all, and eaten in Comon upon their corne was cutt & carryed away and he further sayth  
549 that untill aboute eight or tenn years since that the said grounds were enclosed the Inhabitants of Spondon  
550 as well Cottagers as others Did osr to put in their Cattell w[ith]out any stint into the sayd Goodwych Leys and  
551 Brunswood Leys {Burhand borne berried Lord of Mari since Sushsuped inclosed} did he likewise sayth that form[er]ly there were not past  
552 said or sied mcadoy w[ith]in Spondon

553 as aforesaid & now there is above thirtie and that he the better knoweth the principles to be true for y[e]t he hath beene  
554 fourtie years the pinder of Spondon



555 3) To the third Interr[ogatory] he sayth that there are cootager hades or ground w[hic]h all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
556 until they were enclosed now eaten no Comon also is this Depon[en]t Doth not believe they were Comon lying w[ith]in the said  
557 Brunswood & Goodwich by the brooke side – that entereth from the Brook field gate to or near Lockoe lane end –

558 (4)

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560 given & he further sayth that by Comon & Credible Mepoo the there are in either of the said grounds called Goodwich & Brunswood  
561 ley of ground w[hic]h hath gone to the Clerk keep of Spondon for or towards his wages and that there is another peece  
562 in Brunswood lying after the water side called Dillysich w[hic]h hath been used & eaten as Comon ground but Doth lie as a hades  
563 to the lands ends & two other peces of ground of the same nature in Brooke field and called Fillimark balke and theth calla)  
564 Allesbray Baulk

565 5) To the fifth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he hath knowen the husband men cottigers & other the poore Inhabitants of Spondon  
566 Keepe their Cattl upon the said grounds and sayth that the Cottyers & other people had nothing to Do w[ith]in the  
567 Goodwych Leys and Brunswood Since th[e]y were enclosed and further to this Interr[ogatory] Deposeth not  
568 (6) To the sixth Interr[ogatory] he sayth That there have w[ith]in the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance beene tenn severall closes  
569 taken in out of Brunswood Leys viz one of John Carringtons two of Richard Knowles two of John Clemshuwod  
570 one of Thomas Hollingsworths another of Thomas Bowes one of Eliz[abe]th Carringtons one of Richard Theacles of Chaddesden  
571 another of John Walkers & another close of Thom[as] Wrights, and that there is alsoe a close called the Rough Close  
572 nooke, w[hic]h hereto sore was used as Comon & nowe is eaten as w[hic]h severall closes aforesaid have been taken  
573 in aboute fourtie years since except one of the said ellone l hawes & another of the said John Carringtons w[hic]h have  
574 been taken in but aboute twelve or sixteen years since  
575 (17) To the xviith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that there is a peece of ground lying in Spondon Brooke field called the  
576 pike fields w[hic]h all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance hath beene used & eaten as Comon ground & that a gate  
577 thereof is plowed away by such w[hic]h use laws Doe abutt there upon and sayth that there is allsoe a Comon baulke called  
578 Lowsygrave baulk in the said field w[hic]h begins at Brunswood gate & comes up w[ith]in a lands length of  
579 Spondon towne but knoweth not where they are that one soe plowed uppon the said pike hades

580 (21) To the xxith Interr[ogatory] he saith that there are many closes w[ith]in the said manor & L[or]d[shi]p of Spondon & as soe  
581 rerily thinks above a hundred

582 (26) To the xxvith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that some of the said hegdes w[hi]h have been eaten as common lying by the brook  
583 fields sides as afore sayd Doe lye enclosed some w[ith]in the said John Carringtons close some in  
584 Richard Knowles close some in Thomas Hollingswoths Close some in [Thomas] Bowes close & some in Eliz[abeth] Carringtons  
585 Close, & sayth y[e]t one such Close who tooke in the said Eli[abeth] Carringtons] Close Did call the Leathes of some  
586 that had teathered their horses in the ground eaten as Comon ground w[ith]in the said Close before it was  
587 enclosed & after that, they Lorbeare to tether their said horses & then he enclosed the said Close

588 (28) To the xxviiiith Interr[ogatory] he saith that he well knows a ground in Spondon Called Spondon waste w[hi]ch  
589 Lyeth adjoyneing on the East p[ar]t to Spondon more & on the west to Brunswood & in the North &  
590 south sides enclosed w[hi]h other mens closes talen in before this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
591

592 Raph Coop form[er]ly sworne on the Defend[en]ts p[ar]te now on the  
593 pl[an]tiffs p[ar]te saith

594 (32) To the xxxiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he is not of any kindred or alliance to the said Defend[en]ts or any of them but consenteth  
595 that he Doth Dwell in Chaddesden being a member of Spondon albeit he Doth not clayme any  
596 thinge w[ith]in the Lor[dshi]p of Spondon

597 Thomas Wright of Spondon in the County of Derby husbandman aged fourtie years  
598 or there abouts sworne and examined

599 (1) To the first Interr[ogatory] he saith that he knoweth the mannor Lor[dshi]p of Spondon in the County of Derby having for  
600 Knowne the same by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance as being there bourne & brought up and Doth  
601 alsoe know a p[ar]cell of ground there called Spondon waste

602 2 To the second Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he well knoweth the arable field in Spondon called Brooke fielde,  
603 And likewise knoweth certayne grounds or leys, adjoyning to the said ground commonly called Goodwich leys &  
604 Brunswood Leys lyinge w[ith]in the mannor or Lor[dshi]p of Spondon aforesaid having soe knowen the same about  
605 thirtie years last past and he further saith that the said Goodwich Leys & Brunswood Leys have by all  
606 the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance (untill such tyme as the same were taken in w[hic]h was about xii  
607 years since, used to be eaten in common) with the said Brooke fielde in the fallow year & upon the said  
608 Brooke fielde hath been sowen with corne, then after harvest hath beene Inned & that the Inhabitants of Spondon  
609 as well Cottagers as othershave used at the tymes aforesaid to putt their cattell on the said Brunswood and  
610 Goodwich leys without any stint y[et] impounding or intorruption untill they were soe enclosed as afore sayd And  
611 he likewise sayth that in his concuieing one William Bennet Deceased was the cause of the said enclosing

612 of the said Brunswood & Goodwich Leys and that the Cottagers and others the Inhabitants of Spondon have  
613 since they were soe enclosed beene kept from Comoning & upon the said Brunswood & Goodwich Leys  
614 (5) To the vth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that this Depon[en]t hath kept & seene other cottiers keepe cattell upon the hades called  
615 Common ground lying within Goodwich & Brunswood aforesaid a longe by the brooke side from the place leading from called  
616 Brooke fielde gate onto Lockcoe lane end and saith that the cottiers are of late barred from eating of the said  
617 comon ground by the enclosing of the said Brunswood & Goodwich as also by two enclosures one enclosed by  
618 one Cleren Shawe and an other by one John Carrington and further saith that he hath heard by comon & credible  
619 reporte that the Jurures in the Courte of the mannor of Spondon layed a payme that if any of the pore cottiers of  
620 Spondon Did put any cattell into Brunswood or Goodwich Leys they shoud be amerced  
621 (7) To the 7th Interr[ogatory] he sayth there is a peece of comon ground lying beyonde or neew Brunswood leys called  
622 by the name of Brunswood Rough close nooke late in this Depon[en]ts occupacon nowe in the occupacon of one Richard  
623 Knowles and that he this Depon[en]t Did take the said Rough Close nooke of the towne of Spondon by their generall  
624 consent under the Rent of twenty shillings p[er] ann[um] & for the space of three or four years pay[e]d such said rent such the  
625 Churchwardens to the churchwardens of Spondon for the tyme being and of later tymes yet there of to the peysie  
626 keeper of the said town of Spondon & the rest of the townes use & sayth that he this Depon[en]t soe farmed the  
627 said close by the space of tenn or eleven years together  
628 (8) To the eighth Interr[ogatory] he saith that to his nowe best remembrance Mr Byrch late vicar of Spondon  
629 Deceased Did enclose the said Rough Close Nooke about twentie years agoe and that the Inhabitants  
630 of Spondon have received the rents & psitte there of and since untill about two or three years last past and  
631 that they Did suffer the said close to lye open & be eaten in comon one year since the compl[ain]t made by the

632 there unto and saith that one Elizabeth Carrington farmed the said Close before he this Depon[en]t hold the same  
633 and as he takes it for the yearly rent of xx s[hillings] payable unto or to the use of the towne of Spondon and  
634 sayth that he this Depon[en]t when he soe farmed the said rough Close Did pay x s[hillings] p[ar]te of the rent for the  
635 said close to the peyse keeper of Spondon by the appointment of the said Inhabitants of Spondon and  
636 sayth that one Richard Knowles Doth not nowe hath the said close under the said towne of Spondon & in lui  
637 there of keeps a bastard Child for the said towne

638 9 To the nineth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t w[i]th others as namely Francis Cockayne gen[eral] William Score and there  
639 John Dockcoes & others whose names he now remembreth not were about March was twe[n]tie  
640 moneths sworne & appoynted by the then Steward of the mowing of Spondon for setting forth of herge  
641 wayes and other peeces of Comon Ground in Brunswood & Goodwich & alsoe w[e]r[e wh[ere] they p[er]formed upon  
642 evidence to them given accordingly for now cevtayatie where of he this Depon[en]t referreth sinse use to the  
643 Courte Rowle there of now showed unto him at the tyme of his examination

644 16) To the sixteenth Interr[ogatory] he sayth he cannot Depose otherwise than he hath Deposed to the eight p[re]seeding  
645 Interrogatory

646 32) To the xxxiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t he sayth that he is a freeholder & cottager in Spondon aforesaid and is cosen  
647 Jurman to John Carrington one of the Defend[an]ts  
648 Richard Woodhouse of Spondon in the County of Derby basket maker aged  
649 three score years or there abouts sworne & examined

650 1 To the first Interr[ogatory] he saith that he knoweth the mannor or Lor[shi]p of Spondon for the most parte and hath  
651 Dwelt w[I]thin the same by the space of fouty years last past or there abouts and Doth alsoe knowe grounde

652           there called Spondon Waste  
653   10 & xi)To the tenth & eleventh Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t is tenant at will unto Richard  
654           Taudem of Spondon in the County of Derby yeom[an] of a messuage in Spondon and looles acres of  
655           lande or there abouts in right where of he hath five stints or beast gates upon Spondon Waste aforesaid and  
656           payth a peney a stint or beast gate for eidy the said five stints or beast gates w[hic]h is yearly pay[e]d to the now  
657           comp[lainan]t Mr Gilbert as baliffe unto or challengeinge the same in the Right of the Kinge matie and saith  
658           that he Doth not conceive that he this Depon[en]t payeth any encloase of rent for such said beast pastures other  
659           than a penny a peece and saith that the said penny a beast gate is usually yearly pay[e]d to the waste  
660           nenor at witsuntide when they put in their beastes with the said Spondon Waste and that he this Depon[en]t  
661           Hath Pay[e]d the same accordingly by the space of xxii years last past and further sayth that encein  
662           the said towne this Depon[en]t was by tome hoasamse one of the waste reenes for gathering the paswm  
663           of Spondon waste & payed xvii s[hillings], 4 d or there abouts to Mr Gilbert the Comp[lainan]t

666 (12) To the xiith Interr[ogatory] he saith That he now know the said ground called Spondon Waste two was Comon  
667 with any parte of winter sules by change some gapps were broken into the second by passing  
668 and further or more to this Interr[ogatory] he Doth not Depose

669 (14) To the xiiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth That he this Depon[en]t hath not given any money towards this side  
670 in question nor hath been offered any money moiker hath been there abouts of to work not  
671 Comonbuke there unto nor know of any that Doth or Doe contribute there unto neither knowest  
672 If any assey soe made by may therefore

673 (32) To the xxxiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he is not of any kindred or alliance to the most or  
674 any of the Defendants but sayth that he is a Dweller in Spondon & claymeth some Interest  
675 therein by use of his said tenancy there

676 (33) To the xxxiiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that the worke or rental of Spondon Waste now showed  
677 and rent unto him at the tyme of his this Deponts examination is as he verily beleiveth  
678 the same noth or leatall by w[hi]ch the Rem of the fore said Spondon Waste was or is gathised  
679 Thomas Widdowson of Spondon [in] the County of Derby yeom[an] aged 64 years  
680 or there abouts sworne and examined

681 1) To the first Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth the mannor or Lo[dshi]p of Spondon as being there borne and  
682 Since there lined and hath knowen the same by all the tyme of his remembrance and  
683 Alsoe knowe a certayne ground there called Spondon Waste

684 2) To the second Interr[ogatory] he saith he well knows the arable field in Spondon called Brooke field and  
685 Goodwich Leys & Brunswood Leys there unto adjoyninge all thinge w[it]hin the mannor or Lords[hip]



686 of Spondon having knowene the same by the space of fiftie years last past or there abouts  
687 and sayth that the said Leys called Brunswood Leys & Goodwich Leys have by all the tyme [of]  
688 this Depon[en]ts remembrance (untill about eleven or twelve years since that the same was  
689 enclosed) been used to be eaten in Comon with the said Brooke field in the *fallow* year  
690 when and as often as the said Brook field hath been sowen with corne (when harvest hath  
691 beene inned untill it was sowen again) untill the said enclosures and he further sayth that the Inhabitants of Spondon  
692 in generall as well cottagers as others untill such said enclosures were made have put their cattle  
693 onto the said Brunswood & Goodwich Leys w[ith] out any stint ympounding or interupcon and sayth  
694 that in this Depon[en]ts understanding one Mr Willi[a]m Bennett Deceased was the cheife cause of the said  
695 enclosures and that the pore Cottyers of Spondon who had more alwas haits within the ts Goodwich  
696 leys and Brunswood leys have and since such said enclosures of them beene barred from Comoning  
697 there in

698 3) To the third Interr[ogatory] he sayth that there is a certyn peece of ground formerly called Comon ground  
699 Lying in Brunswood & Goodwich Leys on either side the brooke leading from Brooke field gate unto  
700 Or neare Lockoe lane end w[hic]h said ground hath for the space of fiftie years & untill about twelve years  
701 last past been eaten as Comon ground and he alsoe sayth that there are five little pingles lying  
702 near unto Lockoe lane end w[hic]h have of the Comon Ground lying w[I]thin them and the nonrs of  
703 such said pingles have beene andtyed in the Courte of the mannor last for of Spondon for enclosing there  
704 & haidbrns there payed to cast them open by a limited tyme and sayth that there is an other half are  
705 lying in the midst of Brunswood w[hic]h is commonly called comon ground and he hath knowen

706 the same to used & eaten

707 5 To the fifth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he hath knowen Dids pay[e]d cotticny and other the Inhabitants  
708 of Spondon keepe & tether cattell upon the said Comon ground lying w[ith]in Goodwich &  
709 Brunswood by the brooke sides from Brooke field gate were unto Lockoe lane end or the  
710 Close more in the occupacon of William Drakelowe, albeit this virily beleiveth in his  
711 coustience that the said hades suffered to be eaten as comon did uncreadibly belonge to enty more  
712 lands abutting upon the same and that the pore Inhabitants were suffered to eat them as  
713 now they are suffered to eate other hades in other fields and he further sayth that he this Depon[en]t  
714 one of the Jury at the countie held for the mannor of Spondon in October xxth year  
715 of his stake on Jier late raigne upon a peaine of five ponds was land that now showeth put about their  
716 Stint into the said Brunswood & Goodwich leys

717 6 To the sixth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That there have beene taken in from of Brunswood &  
718 Goodwich Leys of late years these Closes following uoiz one close in the tenure of John Carrington  
719 an other in the tenure of James Olevenshace an other in the tenure of Richard Knowels and an other  
720 in the tenure of Eliz Carrington and an other in the tenure of Thomas Bowes and that there are  
721 other enclosures anciently taken in from of the said Brunswood and Goodwich viz one close in the  
722 tenure of John Carrington an other in the tenure of John Noakes three Closes others  
723 in the tenure of Richard Knowles and in the tenure of John Widdowson an other in the tenance of  
724 Thomas Tomlinson an other in the tenure of Gracian Taylor an other in the tenance of James Osmaston  
725 and an other in the tenure of John Hildsardson and that say said last mentioned enclosures are imoited

726 with ground called Spondon waste on one p[ar]te and w[hi]c[h] the said enclosures the other three peices  
727 7 To the viith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that there is a peece of Comon ground called by the name of Rough close  
728 thiro rough close on the further side of Brunswood, late in the occupacon of Thomas Wright of  
729 Spondon aforesaid who tooke & farmed the same of the Inhabitants of Spondon for the yearly rent  
730 of twenty shillings payable to the said Inhabitants of there, parte thereof to the pease keep and the cross was  
731 as there used to other used for the said towne and that the said wright soe held the same for Duids years' but you  
732 this Depon[en]t now renteth not  
733 ? ninth Interr[ogatory] he saith that one Mr Birch late curate of Spondon Deceased Did enclose the  
734 ? rook by the consent of the Inhabitants of Spondon above seventie years since  
735

736           ? the said enclosures the said Inhabitants have recoynded the rent and &fith thereof some that the last year but one the said  
737           ? tenants Did eate the same in comon and this laste yeare of all they have coualted it to the mayntenanteof a bastard  
738           spire the said pish and sayth the rent of the said close is xx s[hillings] p[er] ann[umm]  
739    9       To the ninth Interr[ogatory] he saith That he this Depon[en]t was one that was of a Jury hath for the mannor of Spondon  
740           about the xxviith day of March 1632 at w[hic]h tyme the then Steward have? Them in charge to set forth heigh wayes & the  
741           yeres of Comon ground lying open Brunswood & Goodwich leyes w[hic]h they accordingly Did formuti detainty there man?  
742           What they plented this Depon[en]t whereth hunge also onto the said Court Role now showed & roddn unto him at the tyme  
743           of his examination  
744    10 & 11 To the tenth & eleventh Interr[ogatorie]s w[hic]h in the said grounds called Spondon waste & payeth five pence yearly for the same and  
745           saith that he houldedyd  
746           for on and sayth that he bought three of the said stints amonst wher[e] lands for of Mr Braknork of Spondon and an  
747           other two he hath in the right of his wife and saith that he this Depon[en]t useth to pay the rent for the said stints at  
748           w[hic]h its ontill when they put in theire cattell into the said waste and sayth that he this Depon[en]t & others have use idy  
749           pay[e]d the said rent onto the waste Bedues of the mannor of Spondon who gathered the same and paid it to the kings  
750           Bayliffes and further sayth that the last yeare but one this Depon[en]t was one of the waste Lanes for gathering  
751           the rent of the said waste w[hic]h when he had gathered the it brought soe much thereof as was Did Duk Mr Gilbert  
752           the Comptt who Did re fuse to receive the same and also sayth that he this Depon[en]t hath for the space of thie  
753           sixie yeres last past or there abouts pay[e]d his rent for the said five stints & for thether two the hrut leame pay  
754           into the kings lay lise for his Masuse tyme out of minde as this Depon[en]t hath gredibly heard and that the he gathering  
755           his waste Rent hath beene by agreem[en]t of the freehoulders of Spondon amongst themselves by houscrowd

756 12 To the xiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that the said Spondon waste hath lyen open unto the Comon called Spondon  
757 more & Brunswood leys Diids years about Michaelmas tyme untill towards Candlemas follwinge until now  
758 of late aboute tenn or eleven years since that Brunswood was enclosed since w[hic]h tyme it hath been kept in  
759 severalty

760 13 To the xiiith Interr[ogatory] he saith that three years since this Depon[en]t being outseer of Spondon waste and findinge that  
761 there was a want of a bridg[e] for passeing up and the brooke in Goodwich & Brunswood he this Depon[en]t Did in the Church  
762 yard of Spondon now the Inhabitants thereof for there to make a bridg[e] on the said Bridge w[hic]h was Donn accordingly  
763 where upon this Depon[en]t w[i]th such consent Did appoint Willi[a]m Coup & John Bossell two pore men to nit Downe wrote  
764 Dreyed unto trey them standing upon Spondon waste aforesaid to make the said Bridge w[hic]h was donn accordingly  
765 by them & this Depon[en]t pay[e]d them for such their paynes in falling squaring and making the said Bridge twentie  
766 pence and sayth that about three years since some pore men of Spondon were suffered in the winter tyme by the  
767 freeholders of Spondon to grubb thornes in Spondon waste for there own benefit and beleiveth that the said  
768 poore men Did soe grubb thornes there by the space of two or three days untill they were phibited by the Compl[ain]t  
769 Mr Gilbert since w[hic]h tyme there hath beene none grabbed and sayth that such said pore men Did breake the soyle  
770 of the said waste by such said Grubbage

771 14 To the xiiiith Interr[ogatory] he saith That Brunswood leys & Goodwich leys by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
772 have lyen open to the arable field in Spondon called Brooke field and beene used and eaten in Comon by the  
773 Cattle of the freehoulders tenants & pore Cottiers there w[i]th the said field when hereof[i]t hath beene used yearly  
774 untill about the same field hath beene again soiren and kept findall untill about eleven or twelve years  
775 last past that the said Brunswood & Goodwich were enclosed about w[hic]h tyme the said Inhabitants of Spondon who

776 have interest therein Did inclose the same and saith since such said enclosure the pore Cottigers of Spondon  
 777 aforesaid have had noe Comoning there and he alsoe saith that he Doth not know that the kinge or any of his  
 778 farming have had any right wi[th]in the said grounds and therefore Doth not thinke that their consent was Deserted  
 779 thereto and he like wise saith that there are two or three heigh ways leading out Brunswood & Goodwich leys w[hic]h  
 780 the said Inhabitants of Spondon have enclosed as alled certayne Comon ground for both w[hic]h they have beene  
 781 amcyed as formly this Depon[en]t hath express himself  
 782 14 To the xvth Interr[ogator] he saith that a peece or p[ar]cele of Comon ground called Dally seech lying on or near Brunswood  
 783 afore said hath all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance been used as Comon ground until about eleven or  
 784 twelve years since that the same was enclosed and that he this Depon[en]t and Dith pore Cotyers & other the Inhabitants of Spondon  
 785 aforesaid have kept & tyed their Cattle upon the said Comon ground to their pleasing and further or more  
 786 to this Interr[ogatory] Deposeth not otherwise then he hath form[er]ly Deposeth not otherwise than he hath formerly Deposeth  
 787 17 To the seventeenth Interr[ogatory] he saith that a peece of grounde lying in Brooke field called Pike hadeshath by all the tyme  
 788 of this Depon[en]ts remembrance beene eaten as Comon at tosamble? tymes albeit this Depon[en]t rerly beleiveth in  
 789 his conscience that the said hades are not comon but belongeth unto the severall lands abutting upon theme in  
 790 any of w[hic]h this Depon[en]t claymeth no interest and saith that a greater parte of such said hades one lowed away  
 791 by such whose lands Doe abutt upon them where by this Depon[en]t Doth not concoined they had Don any wrong in  
 792 such plowing in regard the hades are as well conceived to be their owne as the said plowed lands and further or more  
 793 to this Interr[ogatory] he Deposeth not  
 794 18 To the xviiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith that he this Depon[en]t was asled by John Taylor and John Carrington

797 of the certenty to tyme in contribucion to the mentayning of Comon Siute against the compl[ain]t w[hic]h this  
798 Depon[en]t refused to Doe and saith that he hath heard that Duids of the Inhabitants of Spondon doe coutcite?  
799 therein but after what rate or associn they tax themselves this Depon[en]t knoweth not or further Deposeth to  
800 this Interr[ogatory]

801 20 To the xxth Interr[ogatory] he Deposeth not

802 21 To the xxith Interr[ogatory] he saith that he Doth not knowe how many enclosures there now are w[ith]in the mannor  
803 Spondon but saith that there are many closes w[hic]h of late years have beene taken in  
804 w[ith]in the mannor of Spondon and Divides of them out of Brooke field where he this Depon[en]t hath enclosed [the]  
805 same p[ar]te of an half, acre to make him a watering place to his close called Wigger there & sayeth  
806 that such said enclosures as have beene made w[ith]in the mannor of Spondon During the tyme of the  
807 Deponents remembrance have for the most part been so made by exchange of lands are freehoulders w[i]th another and  
808 w[hic]h other mews tenants but Doth not thinke that the kings beinge Lord of the said  
809 mannor of any for him gave consent to such sayth enclosures or was or were recquired there

810 22 To the xxiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that such in Spondon who have so enclosed their land there  
811 as aforesaid and hold them in senalty Do soll keepe as great a stint of sheepe horses or  
812 cattle in the fielde and waste and comon grounds in Spondon afore said and farming they  
813 Did whereby other thereine poore neighbours farme the waste

814 26 To the xxvith Interr[ogatory] he cannot Depose otherwise than to the predent Interrogatories he hath  
815 Deposd

816 27 To the xxviith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that all the Comon or waste ground lyinge in Brunswood

817 and goodwyche leys is not enclosed or taken in senalby from other mens grounds but on  
818 adjoining onto them & further sayth that the said waste ground lying by the Brooke  
819 now Brookfield gate is not enclosed from Thom[as] Hollingsworths & other mens lands  
820 but lyeth inter mixed and that since the enclosing thereof out of a ringe hedge the have enjoyed  
821 the said lands and taken many of other men for joybeinge their cattle in the said ground and  
822 further to this Interrogatory despoth not than firm by he hath Deposed

823 28 To the xxviiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth he knoweth the peece of ground called Spondon  
824 waste within the manor of Spondon adjoininge to Spondon more on the East & Brunswode  
825 Leys on the west and that the said waste is inclosed north and south with other mens lands

826 29 To the xxixth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he was one of the Jurors amongst others at a Court  
827 held for the said manor of Spondon for the late king James about Strill in the xiiiith  
828 yeare of his heighnesse Raigne of England when one Robt Knowles beinge in the then pcedent winter  
829 Scanted of fodder where in noth to succoure his cattle Did for that purpose cutt or cropp some bonggs  
830 or from the wood upon Spondon Waste was untired for so Doinge albeit inhabitants con=  
831 ceined the said woods were their anone

832 30 To the xxxth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t hath a horse w[I]thin a Croft and back ide in Spondon  
833 w[hic]h is copyhold land for w[hic]h he payeth to the kinge twenty pence yearly and further to this  
834 he Desposoth not

835 31 To the xxxiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t is aCorryholder freeholder and an Inhabitant w[I]thin  
836 Spondon aforesaid as before he hath appointed himself and sayth that Thomas Hollingsworth one of the



837 Deff[en]d[an]ts marries this Depon[en]ts kin freeman and that John Carrington another of the Deff[en]d[an]ts is consent to this  
838 Depon[en]t  
839 34 To the xxxiiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t hath bene twice washe keene for the town of  
840 Spondon w[hic]h came to hind by swind on houscause and gathered the rent for the said Spondon  
841 waste and that the first yeare he so collected the sint Rent he payed seventeene shillings sixpence  
842 there of me Thomas Gilbert the Compl[ainan]t and three shillings four pence another p[ar]te of the waste  
843 Rent to the Earle of Chesterfield officers for the said Earles use but he last tyme this Depon[en]t  
844 was the waste keene there he this Depon[en]t would have pay[e]d the 1d rent when he had gathered  
845 y[e]t to mt Tomas Gilbert the Compl[ainen]t but he refused to certeine it as he hath formly I[m]posed  
846 but this Deponent pay[e]d three Shillings four pence out of the said waste Rent to meHenry  
847 Gilbert his sonne as due to him by purchase from the said Earle who reconised the same  
848 and as to the note as Rentall now showed unto him he being illitarate co[m]pose there  
849 to unto nor charge his memory therewith  
850

851 Hamond Noble of Derby in the county of Derby gent aged fifty years or  
852 there abouts sworne and examined  
853 30 To the xxxth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that about the years 1629 & 1630 he this Depon[en]t was requested  
854 by intr[oduction] Thomas Gilbert the now conpl[ainen]t to keepe Courte for the Mannor of Spondon & Chaddesden  
855 as Stendere for him the said Mr Gilbertand sayth that he this Depon[en]t Did accordingly keepe  
856 two sev[er]all Courts for him and that the Courte Roules written on paper now showed unto him  
857 at the tyme of his examination the one containeinge two sheets of paper and thether containeinge seven  
858 sheets or there abouts are the Roules and escouls of the said Courts with this Depon[en]t Did so keepe  
859 for the said mannor and are of his this Depon[en]ts onome have writinge as also his name thereunto  
860 soe Scribed  
861 John Lockeoe of Spondon called John of the gate in the County of Derby yeoman  
862 aged three score years or there abouts Sworne and examined  
863 1 To the first Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he well knoweth the Mannor or Lor[dshi]p of Spondon in the  
864 County of Derby as beinge there borne and did since dwelt there and he also knoweth  
865 a ground there called Spondon waste  
866 2 To the second Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he well knoweth the arable field in Spondon called Brooke  
867 field and certaine grounds or leys thereunto adjoyninge called Goodwich and Brunswood Leys  
868 wi[th]in the mannor aforesaid hamerrigie so knowne all and every the farms by the space of fourty  
869 years last past and that the said leys called Brunswood & Goodwyche leys have all the tyme of this  
870 Depon[en]ts remembrance (untill the[y] were enclosed) been eaten [as] comom w[ith] the said Brooke field in the

871 fallow yeare and when the said brooke field was sowed with corne then after harvest was inned  
872 untill the same was sowed againe, and he further sayth that the Inhabitants of Spondon aforesaid  
873 aswell Cottiers of as others used in the comonable tymes of the yeare to put all their cattle  
874 into the said Brunswode and Goodwyche Leys untill the same were enclosed w[hic]h was about tenn  
875 or twelve years since as he couceineth and he also sayth that one William Bennett for any thinge  
876 he knoweth was the first moower of the enclosing thereof and that the poore cottiers there  
877 have and since been Debarred from any comon w[ith]in the said grounds

878 5 To the fift[h] Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t hath bene Dividers of the Inhabitants of  
879 Spondon aforesaid teather and keepe cattle upon the ground in the Interr[ogatory] mentioned w[hic]h  
880 ot let or interruptions but he cannot say that the same is common ground and he further  
881 sayth that the poore cottiers of Spondon have all bene Debarred of Comon for their cattle  
882 there ever since they were enclosed & further here to Despoeth not

883 9 To the ixth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t amongst others was unpanelled of a Jury  
884 at a Court held for the manor of Spondon about the month of March 1632 and  
885 appointed by the then Steward of the said Court for the setting forth of heigh ways and  
886 other peeces of common ground upon Brunswode and Goodwyche leys aforesaid and was to the  
887 names of jury common ground peiculer given to to this Depon[en]t & others in enclose he  
888 refereth himself to the Court Rolls and [the] verdict then by him and then given the said  
889 Court Rolls beinge non showed unto him this Depon[en]t at the tyme of his examination

890 10 To the tenth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t holdeth eight beast gates or stints

891 upon the said Spondon waste for which he payth yearly a penny a beast gate or  
892 stint and conceines the same to be his xxer inheritance and therefore needless that here  
893 should have lease teene or other takinge thereof neither hath he any such  
894 11 To the xith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t payth eight pence yearly aboute  
895 whitsontide for his stints and said Spondon Waste and sayth that the same hath usually  
896 bene gathered by the waste keens and pay[e]d by them to his Matis Baliffe of the said Mann[or] for  
897 the tyme beinge and further sayth that he this Depon[en]t hath pay[e]d such said rent for his  
898 stint ever since he hath had such said estate  
899 12 To the xiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that the said stinted rent of eight pence hath bene pay[e]d  
900 by this Depon[en]t and his son for the said waste rent for the space of about thity years  
901 past and sayth that the said Spondon waste hath Dindrs years lyen open to the Comon  
902 called Spondon more and Brunswood leys from about Michaelmas untill about Candlemass  
903 followinge untill about xii years last past and that since that tyme it hath lyen open in winter  
904 betwixt Martlemas and Christmas but sayth the ancient asije thereof hath bene to lye open in the  
905 winter season from aboute Michaelmas until Candlemas  
906 14 To the fourteenth Interr[ogatory] he sayth That Brunswood Leyes and Goodwyche Leyes have all the  
907 tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance (untill they were so enclosed) as aforesaid lyen open to  
908 Brook field in Spondon aforesaid all the year when the same was fallow and bene of ten  
909 eaten in Comon by the Cattle of the freeholders tenants and poore cottyers there and at  
910 other tymes when harvest have bene gott and inned untill the same were sowen againe and

911 sayth that the said Brunswood and Goodwych were se enclosed by such the Inhabitants in Spondon  
912 as had land therein or nast or most of them about twelve or fourteene years last past of  
913 this Depon[en]t takes at since w[hic]h tyme the Cottiers and poore of Spondon have not Comon  
914 and kept their cattle there as formerly they have used to doe  
915 17 To the seventeenth Interr[ogatory] he sayth That the p[ar]cell of ground lyinge in Spondon  
916 Brooke field called Pike hades hath bene used and eaten as comon all the tyme of this  
917 Depon[en]ts remembrance and that Diners poore cottiers and inhabitants of Spondon have kept and  
918 teathered their cattle there and sayth that a greate part of the said hades is of late years  
919 plowed away by those who have lands shootetinge uppon the same but by whose he cannot  
920 p[ar]ticate  
921 20 To the xxth Interr[ogatory] he Deposeth not  
922 23 To the xxiiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth That he hath Served at a Court booke holden for the mannor of  
923 Spondon and thinketh that Thomas Hollingworth & John Carrington have form[er]ly in amongst  
924 tyme Donne the like service  
925 27 To the xxviith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that the peece of common lyinge in Brunswood and Goodwhyh  
926 Leys lye intermixed with other mens lands as formerly they did and not enclosed or severall from  
927 Brunswood aforesaid and further sayth that the Comon ground by the brooke is now Brooke  
928 field gate is not enclosed from Thomas Hollingsworths and other mens lands there but lyeth  
929 Intermixed w[i]th other mens lands as form[er]ly it Did and that the said Brunswood and Goodwych leys w[hic]h  
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933 w[i]th all the severall p[ar]celles of waste and common ground w[ith]in them were taken in and enclosed w[I]th  
934 ringe hedge or fence by the inhabitants od Spondon about twelve years since as taken  
935 since w[hic]h tyme the Inclosures of the plaintiffs have enjoyed the same and no poore have had  
936 Doe therein except for their money and further to this interrogatory Deposeth not  
937 28 To the xxiiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth the ground in Spondon called  
938 waste w[hic]h doth lye adjoininge to the moore called Spondon Moore on the Easte Brunswood  
939 leys on the waste & is a losed or anyroned north and south w[i]th other mens closes  
940 29 To the xxixth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that hievtry by thinteth he was a Juror amongst other at  
941 Court held for the mannor of Spondon about the month of April Decims ?grant ?patobi  
942 when as Lord Knowles in the interr[ogatory] mencioned was amoied for cuttinge of Rough brower  
943 wood in Spondon waste aforesaid for succoringe of his Cattle in winter for more saine to  
944 whereof he referreth himself to the Court Rolle arons showed unto him at the tyme of his  
945 examination  
946 32 To the xxxiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that hee is of Kindred to John Carrington one of [the Defendants]  
947 and is a freeholder and inhabitor of Spondon aforesaid  
948 34 To the xxxiiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that to the best remembrance he for his parte rise?  
949 waste keene of Spondon or Collected the Rent in the Interrogatory mencioned any  
950 fore cannot thereto further Depose  
951 John Whitley of Lockoe servant to the Compl[anin]t Thom[as] Gilbert aged thirty  
952 three years or there abouts Sworne and examined Deposeth & sayth

953 13 To the xiiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he about threeyears agoo attended his said master Rent  
954 Spondon waste & they there found Lyenary vicars John Ronneth and one Noaton grubbing  
955 thornes upon the said waste who affirmed that they were appointed so to doe by Hollingworth  
956 Carrington and Taylor in the Interr[ogatory] named they then acknowlidging that they hath then  
957 so grubbed by the space of three dayes and this Depon[en]t sayth that by such their said  
958 grubbinge they brake the soyle of the said waste ground and sayth that he this Depon[en]t  
959 heard his p master admonish the said p[er]sons that they should Desist their said grubbing  
960 and afterwarde sent back this Depon[en]t to forbid them to grubb any more w[hic]h hee did  
961 accordingly and further thereto he Deposeth not

962 19 To the sixth Interrogatory] he saythnthat he this Depon[en]t about Martlemas was twelve months  
963 and after harvest gott Did keepe one hundred of the plte in Gilberts sheepe by his comand  
964 uppon the Comon ground in Goodwyche and Brunswode by the brooke side now the Brook field  
965 Gate and that here then and there so keepinge the same the Def[e]n[dan]ts Thom[as] Hollingworth  
966 John Carrington John Taylor and Thomas Noaton came unto him & by force and strong hand  
967 tooke such said sheepe out of his custody and keepinge and drove them to Chaddesden pound  
968 where they impounded them through a dirty lane w[hic]h was not the necosca or usual way the  
969 same pound the said sheepe were much soyled and hurt by the said drift in which  
970 pound the said sheep remained untill a reployn was tethered

971 33 To the xxxiiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that the Def[e]n[d]ant Thomas Hollingsworth is a man who hath  
972 of late raysed many troubles and variances in Spondon amongst his Neighbours & verily



973 thinketh that he was the cause that these suites were raised for that William Hollingsworth  
974 sonne of the said Thomas before that Mr Gilberts sheepe were so ympounded as aforesaid  
975 tould this Depon[en]t that they would first ympound them at Spondon and afterwards drive  
976 them to pound fix[e]d tymes soe far and further here to Deposeth not

977 Tho Knyriton

978 Jo Osborne

979 Ric Brandreth

980 Robert Hare

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982 Edward Barton of Dreacott in the Countie of Derby husbandman aged two score and sixteene  
983 or there abouts sworne & examined  
984 To the xxith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that as for these enclosures within the Lords[hip] of Spondon betwixt the Lord[shi]p of  
985 Chaddesden and Tickcardess? Heard they were enclosed before the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance but saith  
986 that all the other enclosures in Spondon aforesaid w[hic]h are many from Tickardell heard unto the town of  
987 Borrowashe and from Tickcadell afroresaid to Clstordall as alsoe most of the said those closes below the rode way  
988 betwixt Nottingham and Derby towards Derwent were taken in w[i]thin the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
989 some lately and some more anciently cpane that a close of Mr Bracknochts lying by the rode from Derby to  
990 Nottingham at Burrowe towne and were enclosed before beyond the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
991 that he Doth not knowe the number either of the closes enclosed before the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
992 now the number of the Closes taken in since the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance albeit of he this Depon[en]t  
993 had beene there unto Called open were thereof by him taken he coulde have Distinguished & sett forth the  
994 ancient enclosures from the latter  
995 William Jordaine of Kegworth in the Countie Leicester gent aged sixtie  
996 and five years or there abouts Sworne and examined  
997 35 To the xxxvth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t is a practised Surveyer and so  
998 hath been by the space of fourty years last past or there abouts, and that hees as thereto  
999 Directed by the Compl[ainan]ts now comisioners by vertice of his heigh wasse Commission out  
1000 of this noble Court to them Directed Did begin to survey the Lordship and wastes  
1001 of Spondon Spondon Moore and other p[ar]celles and the bounds or limits thereof

1002 in September last and hath continued in so doinge untill the foure and twentyth  
1003 of this Instant october in seasonable and comodey out tymes as the same were showed  
1004 and pointed out unto him as the plott now by him Delivered in will manefest and  
1005 that the Rolator Mr Gilbert Did twice send unto the Inhabitants of Spondon when  
1006 this suite concends to assist this Depon[en]t the said Service and to show him the limits  
1007 metts and boundaries thereof but none of them came to assist him therein informeth as  
1008 the Rolator himself rode with this Depon[en]t and showed un[to] him the said fields and wastes and  
1009 Comons and bounds thereof but was not with him when he cheaned or measured any  
1010 p[ar]t of the said Lords[hi]p and sayth that he was assisted and Directed in his so surveyinge  
1011 and measuringe of the pmifs by Richard Vallons Robbie Sadler Francis Bott and  
1012 Mr Phillip Gilbert, and that the said plott so by him p[re]sented to the Comissions  
1013 as aforesaid for so much thereof as was by him cheaned the same is exactly donne  
1014 accordinge to the best of his date? judgment and skill But sayth that he being  
1015 interrupted in the cheaneinge of the pinsses? by two Inhabitants of Spondon  
1016 called Will[ia]m Hollingsworth and Francis Bcecknock sone? one such his said cheaneing  
1017 soone after and p[er]formed the rest by beinie? and paceinge and he also sayth that the  
1018 parts he so measured by the cheane as aforesaid were these, vzt: Spondon Moore  
1019 the kinges waste or Spondon Waste Brunswood Leyes and Brunswood closes  
1020 Goodwyche Leys and Goodwyche closesthe brooke field w[hi]ch the circumference thereof  
1021 But Brookfield Closes the field next Derby the field next to Burrowash were donne

1022 and p[er]formed by verae and pacainge only albeit get cannot be so absolutely exact  
1023 as that w[hic]h was cheaned yet in this Depon[en]ts judgement and skill it is sussin out to  
1024 Demonsteetes the limitts bounds and numbers of closes contained in them and away  
1025 of them and that in his couse of makinge such said plott and survey he hath  
1026 Dealt plainely and squarely to the best of his knowledge accordinge to the said plotts  
1027 enclosed and subscribed by the said Comon ssiones w[hic]h he humbly prayeth he may  
1028 w[hic]h the favore of this honyrable Court p[re]pare and put into collers as in such cases  
1029 hath bene accustomed haveinge bene hitherto scaitemed of tyme that could  
1030 not doe the same  
1031 Tho[mas] Knyorton  
1032 Jo[seph] Osborne  
1033 Ric[hard] Brandreth

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1036 16 Item doe you know a piece of ground called the Rough Close nook now Inclosed (lying next unto a Wood of the pl[ain]t[I]fs  
1037 in the occupation of Mr John Byrch late Vicar of Spondon deceased and since his death in the occupation of Tho[ma]s Wright  
1038 of Spondon What yearly Rent did the said Mr Byrch and Tho[ma]s Wright or other of them pay the same unto the constables  
1039 of Spondon fot their times being or to whom also and to whose use did they pay the same And was not the said ground called  
1040 Rough Close Nook parcell of Brunswood as aforesaid before it was so inclosed And Who hath or doth since  
1041 said ground

1042 17 Item is not a peece of ground lyinge in the Brook field of Spondon called Pike hades common ground And have not divers sooce  
1043 people and cottiers fed to bethen or eate the same with their cattle by all the time of your remembrance common ground at  
1044 such times as the same was comonable And is not the great part of the said hades now Incroached upon and plowed away  
1045 by those who have lands shooting upon the same Name those men that have their lands shooting on the said lar hades  
1046 which have soe Incroached with their ploughes and how farre in length they have soe Incroached or plowed upon the said  
1047 hades within the time of your remembrance And what you have heard and believe in your conscience concerning the  
1048 same

1049 18 It[e]m What money for other thinge and how much have you given or profered to give toward maintenance of the sute  
1050 now in question against the p[ro]f, And who did move you soe to doe and or there eaten you if you would not, And who else  
1051 by name doth contribute or promise to contribute, And by what seffament or rate are you taxed for such payment or  
1052 Contribution

1053 19 It[e]m did you keepe the sheepe of the pl[ain]tiff on the ground lyinge by the brooke side neare to the brooke side gate in  
1054 Goodwich and Brunswood at such time as Tho[ma]s Hollingsworth John Carrington John Taylor and one Noton came  
1055 thither unto you and tooke them from thence from you and did drive them to the pinfold, And was it not after

1056 harvest, and the Corne Was Inned in the Brooke field in Spondon

1057 20 It[e]m What Evidence or Writings have you knowen seen or heard read, which mentioned or Concerned any land s & what by name given  
1058 to any use or uses to the Church or Towne or Inhabitants of Spondon, And who hath read the same And who had them  
1059 or hath them now in keepinge, And were they not or some of them taken out of the Cofer or Chest Standinge  
1060 in Spondon Church, declare what you know, thinke or have credibly heard

1061 21 It[e]m how manie Inclosures doe you know are now within the Mannor of Spondon, And how in any of them doe you hold  
1062 in your occupation, And how long is it since they were soe Inclosed, And are not the said closes most or all of them  
1063 soe taken in by exchanging of lands, one freeholder with another, and with other mens tenants, And did the kinge  
1064 Being Lord of the Mannor or any other for him give consent to such Inclosures or any of them

1065 22 It[e]m have not and doe not the freeholders and farmers [of] Spondon that have soe Inclosed their lands and keepe them in  
1066 severalty ejstitt; keeps their stocks of sheepe horses and cattle in the arable fields and wastes and common grounds  
1067 as formerly they did where by their poore neighbours are much appreciate

1068 23 Have not you divers times seene John Carrington and Tho[ma]s Hollingworth with others the Inhabitants of Spondon  
1069 serve as Jurors at the Court held for the Mannor of Spondon and have not you sometimes served of the same Jurye  
1070 with them declare what you know

1071 24 It[e]m have not the Tenants of the kings Demesnes or lands within the Mannor had and used Com[o]n for their  
1072 horses and cattle in the arable fields and wastes and other Comonable places within the Mannor as other freeholders  
1073 and farmers there have had crosed, wether the truthe

1074 25 It[e]m were you Steward or Deputy Steward for the Mannor of Spondon for the time being at such time and times when  
1075 these Courts mentioned in these Court Roles now showed unto you were held in and for the Mannor of Spondon And

1076 is not your name subscribed under the said Court Roles, and Esttreytes of your owne handwritinge or by your appontment  
1077 soe subscribed

1078 26 It[e]m is there not the some of the waste or Com[o]n ground by the brooke side on brunswood taken in and Inclosed into a  
1079 Closes of John Carringtons, and a close in the occupation of James Olerenshaw, and in some other Closes shooting  
1080 upon the brooke there, that divideth Brunswood Leas from Goodwich Leas, and how many closes shootinge upon  
1081 the said brooke are there, that have some of the Com[o]n or Waste grounds in them whereon divers poore men have  
1082 long since kepte their kine And who by name doe now hold the said closes and com[o]n groundes in severalty

1083 27 It[e]m are all the peeces of Com[o]n grounds or Waste groundes lying on Brunswood and Goodwich Leas hedged and  
1084 taken in in severaltie from other mens groundes that lye adjoyninge unto them as other men have Inclosed their  
1085 lands there, And is the Waste or com[o]n groundby the brooke side neere the brooke field gate inclosed from Tho[ma]s  
1086 Hollingsworth or other mens lands, there; or lyeth Intermixed among other mens lands there; And were not  
1087 the said Brunswood and Goodwich Leas with all the severall peeces of Waste and Com[o]n ground lying within them  
1088 taken in and Inclosed with a ringe hedge by the Inhabitants of Spondon about ten or twelve years last past  
1089 Since which time have they not enjoyed the said Waste groundes, and kept out the poore, And taken money  
1090 for the said Waste groundes together with their owne landes there, by laistinge? of beastes there and converting  
1091 the monie for Joytinge the said Cattle to their owne use

1092 28 It[e]m doe you know the ground within the Mannor of Spondon called the kinges Waste or Spondon Waste  
1093 Or the Waste, And doth not the said Waste lye adjoyninge to the great moore commonly called Spondon  
1094 Moore on the East, and adjoyninge to the foresaid Brunswood Leas on the West, and is not the said Waste  
1095 now Inclosed on the North and South side with other mens closes and hedges

1096 29 It[e]m were you one of the Jurye (among others) at the Court held for the kinge for his Mannor of Spondon the  
1097 third day of April in the fourteenth yeer of king James over England when Rosst Knowles was  
1098 amechied? For cutting wood in the aforesaid Waste for the feedinge of his beasts in Winter

1099 30 It[e]m What coppieholdlandes doe you know or have heard are within the Mannor of Spondon And  
1100 who holdeth the same, And what lands doe you knowe or have heard that are concealed within the said  
1101 Mannor and whose occupation are they now in, Except old & able? The four sath? their time? crbor? Coaback  
1102 Or butter for now or yet Can

1103 31 It[e]m Was Henry Clarke deceased Tenant to the kinges lands in Spondon for many yeers which now the pl[ain]t[i]f[f] hath in his  
1104 occupation  
1105 And hath not the said Henry Clarke theaked? cattell and sheepe on the com[mo]n and fields of Spondon as other  
1106 farmers had; declare your knowledge

1107 32 It[e]m are you not of kindred or neere alliance to most or some of the Def[enden]ts and which of them by name  
1108 And doe you not dwell within the Mannor of Spondon or clayme some title or Interest in the same

1109 33 It[e]m Is not Tom[as] Hollingworth aforesaid a man that hath rayseed many troubles and varience in Spondon and  
1110 his neighbours, And hath caused such suites and troubles in Spondon as were not before her twice rayseed

1111 34 It[e]m have you gathered the kinges Rent of the Waste of Spondon how many yeeres have you gathered the same  
1112 And who appointed you soe to gather the said Rent and Whom did you pay the same and is not this not this note or  
1113 Rentall now showed unto you the note or Rentall by which you gathered the same rent of the kinges Waste  
1114 Declare your whole knowledge and what you can further say to this Interrogatorye

1115 35 It[e]m Whether are you a practised surveyer, If yea, Whether have you lately and when surveyed or set forth



1116 the boundaryes of the said Mannor of Spondon, and the Wastes there of, or part or such part and soe much thereof  
1117 And what is or are the Extents contents and abbuttalls thereof, or of such part or such part and soe much thereof  
1118 And by whom were you directed or Assisted therein, And Whether is the survey or plotte now by you delivered  
1119 To the Comissioners, a true surveye and plotte to the best of your art and skill;  
1120 36 It[e]m What other matter or thinge doe [you] knowe that may bee anayleable to the pl[ain]t[i]f[f] in this suite declare your knowledge  
1121 Tho[ma]s Knyvston  
1122 Jos[eph] Osborne  
1123 Robert House  
1124 Ric[hard] Brandreth  
1125

1126 Interrogatories to be administered to witnesses to be  
1127 Produced on y[e] & part and behalfe of S[i]r Edward Mosely  
1128 kn[igh]t his Maj[ast]is Attorney Generall of his highness Dutchy  
1129 of Lancaster, by or Relation of Tho[ma]s Gilbert Esq[uire]s Compl[ainan]t  
1130 Against Tho[ma]s Hollingsworth John Carrington John Taylor  
1131 Tho[ma]s Norton and other Def[endan]ts  
1132 Imprimis doe you know the Mannor or Lordship of Spondon in the Countie of Derby and how long have you know the same or  
1133 dwelt in the said Mannor or Lordship And doe you know a parcell of ground there commonly called the kinges  
1134 Waste or Spondon Waste;  
1135 2 It[e]m doe you know the Arable field in Spondon Comonly called or knowne by the name of Goodwich Leas or Brunswood  
1136 Leas within the said Mannor or Lordship of Spondon, And how long have you knowen the same or any of them; Have not the said  
1137 Leas called Brunswood Leas and Goodwich Leas beene by all the time of your remembrance or have longe bene used to be eaten in  
1138 com[mo]n  
1139 with the said Brooke field in the fallow yeere, And When the said Brooke field hath beene sowen with Corne  
1140 then after harvest hath been Inned, have not the Inhabitants of Spondon as well [as] Cottagers as others used to  
1141 put in their cattell into the said Brunswood and Goodwich Leas without any Impounding or Interruption  
1142 till about ten or twelve yeeres last past that the said Leas were Inclosed, And who inclosed or caused the said Leas  
1143 to be soe Inclosed, And have not the cottiers beene ever since the said Inclosinge is barred and kept from  
1144 the use of the said com[mo]n  
1145 3 It[e]m are there not some peeces of com[mo]n ground or Waste ground Inclosed lying within the said Brunswood and

1146 Goodwich Leas lying by the Brookside that leadeth from the Brookefield gate or Brooke foard to or towards  
1147 Lockoe lane end, And what other peeces of com[mo]n ground or Waste ground are there upon Brunswood and Goodwich  
1148 Leas as you knowe and beleewe or have crediblye heard, or have beene soe accounted name the particular places  
1149 & names of such com[mo]n ground there

1150 4 It[e]m Have not some of the Inhabitatants of Spondon and who by name stopped up and Inclosed with hedges and ditches the  
1151 Ancient Church highe Way leadinge over the said Goodwich Leas that the plaintiffe and his Ancestors have enjoyed  
1152 and used by all the memory of man from his house at Lockoe to Spondon Church, And have they not likewise  
1153 Inclosed in their severall said closes some of the com[mo]n ground at the Brooke side there, And who by name  
1154 now holde the same grounds & any at is the Exbush through!

1155 5 It[e]m have you not kept or siene Cattell kepte by cottiers and other poore men upon the Com[o]n ground being within  
1156 Goodwich and Brunswood aforesaid lying by the Brooke side from the place called Brooke field gate leading unto  
1157 or neere Lockoe lane end or the close now in the occupation of William Drakelow Name What cottiers and  
1158 how many poore people you have siene keepe their kine on the said Com[o]n ground, And whether are not the poore  
1159 Cottiers now of late barred from eating the said Comon and by whom, And is there not a paine made by the Jurers  
1160 that a Court held for the Mannor of Spondon, that poore cottiers and those that have not lands within Goodwich  
1161 and Brunswood should bee amerred if they put any cattell there & how poore the Jurers that sth such said payor

1162 6 It[e]m how manye closes are there now Inclosed or kept in severaltie upon the said Brunswood and Goodwich  
1163 Leas, And how long have they beene soe Inclosed and by whom by name, and who now holde the said closes

1164 7 It[e]m is there not a peece of com[o]n ground lying in the said Brunswood Leas called by the name of Roughe Close  
1165 Nooke or lying at the Roughe Close Nooke end lately in the occupation of Thomas Wright of Spondon of whom

1166 Did hee take the same or what yeerely Rent paid hee for the same, And did hee not pay the said Rent to the Inhabi  
1167 tants of Spondon or to their use and to what use, and by their appointm[en]t, And how long held hee the same close  
1168 8 It[e]m did not the Inhabitants of Spondon or some of their appointment or procurement  
1169 Inclose the said close called the Rough Close Nooke above twenty yeeres since, and have they not or some by their  
1170 appointm[en]t for them Receaved the Rents and profits of the said close ever since; Till about two or three yeeres last  
1171 past that the pl[aint]if did demand the Rent for the said close, And have not the Inhabitants since the pl[ain]tif  
1172 did demandes the said Rent; Let the said close lye open and bee eaten in Com[o]n, And how long is it since the said  
1173 Close was first Inclosed, And who were the Tenants thereof before the said Tho[ma]s Wright occupied the same, And what  
1174 Rents to the use of the towne of Spondon or the said close pay fiteene shillings (being part of the Rent of the said close) to the peese  
1175 keeper of the fields  
1176 of Spondon and by whose appoyntm[en]t did you soe pay the same Declare the whole truth hereof  
1177 9 It[e]m were not you among others & where by name ympanneled of a Jurye at a Court held for the Mannor of Spondon the seven and  
1178 twentieth day of March in the yeere of our Lord god one thousand sixe hundred thirtye and two, appointed by the  
1179 Steward of the said Mannor of Spondon for the setting forth of highe waies and other peeces of com[o]n ground there  
1180 upon the said Brunswood and Goodwich Leas, What bee the names of the severall p[ar]cels of com[o]n ground there  
1181 that were then given in evidence unto you and the rest of the Jurye, upon oath And is not this verdict now showed  
1182 unto you; the verdicts you then found upon such your evidence Dotlaw the thruthe  
1183 10 It[e]m are you Tenant of a p[ar]cell of ground called the Waste or Spondon Waste or the kinges Waste in Spondon aforesaid  
1184 or any part thereof, And how much, And what Rent paid or porie? You yearely for the same, And what lease or terme of  
1185 yeeres or grant have you in the same, And who made the said lease terme or Grant

1186 11 It[e]m What is the yeerely Rent Which you for your part pay for the said kinges Waste, And What times or fines or daies  
 1187 in the yeere is your said Rent due to bee paid by your lease or Grant, And Whether doe you pay or have you paid  
 1188 the same Rent to the king or his Bayliffe of the Mannor of Spondon aforesaid to his use at the said times accordingly  
 1189 as it ought to be paid, And how many yeeres have you paid the same Rent xxerst the twiheall lasgue  
 1190 and whether the king or his Bayliffe did appoynt you to soe gather the same;  
 1191 12 It[e]m Whether have you paid the said Rent for your part aof the kinges waste twenty thirty or fourty yeeres last  
 1192 Past which you now pay; Hath not the said waste laine open to the Com[o]n called Spondon Moore and Brunswood  
 1193 Leas divers yeeres about Michaelmas time and most part of Winter till now of late yeeres, And how long is it  
 1194 since it lay open in Winter, And how manie yeeres have you knowen the said Waste to have beene kept in  
 1195 severall by all the times of the yeere  
 1196 13 It[e]m did Thomas Hollingworth John Carrington and John Taylor (three of the Def[endan]ts) or armi of them about two or three yeeres  
 1197 last  
 1198 past bid hire, or agree with you to grubbe up thornes in the said Waste aforesaid, or which of them, or who also by  
 1199 name did soe bid or agree with you so to doe, And how many daies or how long time did you soe grubbe thornes in  
 1200 the said Wastes and what Wages or money had you for the same, And who by name paide you the same wages, And did you not  
 1201 them breake up the soyle of the said Waste by your soe grubbinge till you were forbidden by the pl[ain]t[i]f[f] or his servants  
 1202 And who by name did grubbe thornes then here with you, And did you about the said time cut fell downe and square  
 1203 The great oake then growinge in the said Waste, And who did then helpe you to cut the same tree, And had you  
 1204 not twentye pence forcuttinge and squaringe the said Oake; And who hired you Soetodoe, And who paid you the  
 1205 said monie for that labour, & where? have the said thornes for grubbed

1206 14 It[e]m have not Brunswood Leas and Goodwich Leas by all the time of your remembrance laine open to the arable  
1207 Field called the Brooke field in Spondon and beene used and eaten in com[o]n (by Cattell of the freeholders, Tenants,  
1208 and poor Cottiers) with the said field When harvest hath beene Inned (till the same hath beene sowed with  
1209 corne and laid severall againe untill about ten or eleven yeeres last past, And who did soe Inclose the said  
1210 Brunswood and Goodwich from the Brookfield, and When was it soe inclosed; And have not the poore Cottiers  
1211 Beeneever since hindered and barred of the use of the com[o]n ground there, whichthey had before such Inclosure  
1212 and did the kinge or his farmer or any for him give consent to Inclose the same, And are are there not two or three  
1213 highe waies going over the said Brunswood and Goodwich which the Inhabitants of Spondon have soe Inclosed within  
1214 the same, And likewise divers perebs? of waste ground within the same;

1215 15 It[e]m are there not divers pieces of comn waste and com[o]n pieces of grounds Inclosed within the said Brunswood and Goodwich  
1216 as by the Inhabitants of Spondon Whereon poore Cottiers have formerly by all the time of your remembrance use to  
1217 teather their kine, till about ten or eleven yeeres past that it was soe inclosed, Name the said places of Waste  
1218 Com[o]n ground or describe them how and where they lye Hath not that ground lying by the brooke along or in a  
1219 Place now called the Brook field gate to or very not neere onto nether Lockoe lane end beene accounted and used as Waste  
1220 And comon for the poore Cottiers to tye their kine upon, by all the time of your remembrance till it was  
1221 Soe inclosed as aforesaid Hath not a pees of ground Dallisitch lying in Brunswood aforesaid borne likewise  
1222 Accounted and used as waste or com[o]n ground as aforesaid And have you not kept or tied one cow on the said com[o]n  
1223 Peeces in the Sumer time And seene divers other poore people likewise doe soe  
1224

1225 Richard Osborne of Ockebrooke in the Countie of Derby yeom[an] aged 51 years or there  
1226 abouts sworne & examined

1227 (15) To the xvth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he well knoweth That by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts  
1228 remembrance for 60 years & upwards he Defendents (except Norton) who is a pore man and the  
1229 freeholders in Spondon theire tenants & farmers & those whose estath the reectiuelly now  
1230 have habue usually cut grubbed and got gorse upon Spondon More & gorse & their was upon  
1231 Spondon Waste or beaste pasture, at their pleasure, to spend in their sev[er]all tenth in  
1232 Spondon aforesayd and alsoe sayth that by all the aforesaid tyme of his remembrance  
1233 there were & now are pits in the said Wastebut knoweth not who hath Digged or  
1234 scowered the said pits and he further saith that all or most p[ar]ts of the said grounds  
1235 called Spondon Waste now lyeth with ridge & raame and soe hath Domme by all the  
1236 tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance and likewise sayth that the said ground called  
1237 Spondon More is Comon to Spondon & Ockbrooke & the said ground called Spondon  
1238 Waste hath by the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance hath beene reputed to belonge to  
1239 Spondon & the freeholders & their tenants have had thie p[lain]tiffs thereof

1240 (18) To the xviiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he knoweth the said pie]ces of ground called  
1241 Spondon Waste and rongly beleeveth that they freeholders and tenants of Spondon, have  
1242 Eney of them Cortayne beast pastures within the sayd waste and that as this Depon[en]t Contenieth  
1243 the sayd beast gates are p[ar]cells of their seiv[er]all tenants & freeholders and verily beleeveth  
1244 that the soyle of the said waste belongeth to the freeholders & tenants in Spondon as p[ar]cell

1245 of theire sev[er]all tenants, and sayth that the said freeholders and tenants have by all the  
1246 tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance bene reputed owners of all the said waste  
1247 [Christ]Xpofer Collembell of Ockbrooke in the Counie of Derby yeom[an] aged 72 years  
1248 or there abouts sworne & examined

1249 (1) To the first Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he knoweth all the parties menconed in the  
1250 Interr[ogatory] and hath soe known them by the space of xx years or there abouts except Norton  
1251 whome he knoweth not

1252 (2) To the second Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he knoweth the Mannor or Lord[shi]p of Spondon  
1253 in the Countie of Derby & hath knowen the same by the space of 60 years last past  
1254 or there abouts but knoweth not that the same is p[ar]cell of the possession of Tutbury in  
1255 of the Dutchie of Lancaster or belonginge to the hono[ur] of Tutbury in the Countye  
1256 of Stafforde

1257 (3) To the third Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he knoweth not any lands in Spondon  
1258 Called the Domeane lands but he knoweth there are lands lyinge within the severall fields  
1259 of Spondon Called by the name of the Queenes lande in the Queenes Dayes & nowe  
1260 the kingesland in the kings dayes and that by common reporte Tho[mas] Gilbert ofqz the  
1261 relator nowe houlds the same

1262 (4) To the fourth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That one Henry Clarke late of Barrowashe  
1263 Deceased had the saidkings lands in occupacon but he doth not knowe that the said  
1264 Henry Clarke had right of comon upon the freeholders lands in Spondon aforesaid in



1265 the right of the said kings or Queens lands

1266 (5) To the fifth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That he knoweth that the freeholders of Spondon

1267 by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance have used to have Comon of pasture for

1268 themselves and their farmers for all manner of Cattle kept upon their freehold

1269 lands especiuely as well in such tyme of the yeare as the field by Comon as

1270 from the tyme that the corne was cutt & carried away untill the same fields now

1271 sowne againe & aswell in & thorough out the arable land of the volator found tyme

1272 the kinges land as in & thorough all the Comon fields in Spondon aforesaid soe

1273 large as they now uninclosed

1274 (6) To the vith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith that they freeholders of Spondon aforesaid

1275 have usually taken in Closes out of the Comon fields of Spondon aforesayd at their

1276 pleasure but whether all now they owne lands or same by exchange this Depon[en]t

1277 knoweth not and sayth that not any other of the freeholders of Spondon aforesaid have

1278 used to have Comon in the said Closes after they were soe enclosed

1279 (11) To the xith Interr[ogatory] he saith that he this Depon[en]t nowe knowe that the relator before

1280 he purchased his Math lands in Spondon in any other farmers of the last kinge said lands

1281 in Spondon Did end use to put any Cattell in the open tyme into the said lands

1282 called Goodwich & Brunswood or into any the Comon grounds or fields of Spondon

1283 aforesaid in right of the said kinges lands & sayth that the freeholders & others in

1284 Spondon Did (for any king he knoweth to the Contrary) agree that the said grounds

1285            Called Goodwich & Brunswood should be enclosed to make them a beaste pasture  
1286    (15)    To the xvth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith that he Deffends (except Norton) and others the freeholders,  
1287            in Spondon aforesaid and those whose estates they nowe have theire farmers and tenants by  
1288            the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance have usually cut and gotten gorse upon the ground called Spondon  
1289            Waste the piece of ground called Spondon Moore and thornes and gorse upon Spondon  
1290            Waste at their pleasures to spend upontheire severall tenants and that the said Depon[en]t about forty  
1291            years since Did get gorse and thornes upon the said grounds in the right his father used was then  
1292            a freeholder within Spondon aforesaid and alsoe saith that their was anciently awattering pitt  
1293            in the said waste w[hi]ch the freeholders and inhabitants of Spondon aforesaid used to scover  
1294            and the[y] have Diged an other pitt for a watteringe place in the said waste at the nether end  
1295            of the sitt or shack and saith it is aboute three score years since ye knowe the first pitt  
1296            enclosed about twelve years since the other pitt was Diged as he now remembereth And  
1297            alsoe sayth that the said ground cabial? the waste lyeth rigg and raigne except Shauks or such  
1298            laces as were untill for tallow? paid soe hath Done by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts  
1299            remembrance and that ty[ri]p of freeholders and tenants of Spondon have had the palcon  
1300            feedinge and p[ro]fitt of the said Ground called Spondon more and Spondon waste for  
1301            all the like tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance saiving the right of the inhabitants  
1302            Ockbrooke in the said ground called Spondon more

1305 (8) To the eighth Interr[ogatory] he saith that he knoweth the ground called the waste in Spondon  
1306 aforesaid and that only the freeholders the[y] have Certayne beastes pastured with[I]n soe  
1307 waste and that in right of ? their Lor[dshi]p there fore ought this Depon[en]t knoweth to the Cort?  
1308 likewise that the soyle of [the] said waste belongeth to the freeholders in Spondon according  
1309 to the rate of their beast gates as parcell of their severall tenements neither Did appear?  
1310 there but that the freeholders [of] Spondon aforesaid were reputed the tenents of  
1311 said waste  
1312 James Ollershaw freeho[lder] sworne and examined on the relations part and now on  
1313 the Defend[an]ts part  
1314 (16) To the sixteenth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith that the said Defend[an]ts Thomas Hollingsworth [John]  
1315 Carrington have by two years last past pay[e]d certayne mon[e]yes Henry Agard k[nigh]t or his  
1316 Deputy w[hic]h was Deman[e]d for their lands the horie in Spondon but knoweth not  
1317 What the farmes are in Certayne or whether it be for respite of homage or not And  
1318 further saith that about two years since the said S[I]r Henry Agards Deputie Demanded  
1319 about twentye years arrorages of the said payment for w[hic]h the said Defend[ant]s and this  
1320 Depon[en]t and others comepounded w[I]thin  
1321 (17) To the xviith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That about twelve years since The said Thomas  
1322 Hollingsworth one of the Defend[an]ts beeing at a Court leet w[I]th the relater? held year looks for the Mannor of Spondon  
1323 and being there required by the Steward to serve at this Court by Barron did Denye to doe  
1324 serve at the said Court Barron untill the said Steward had passed his promise to him

1325 that this soe Doeing should not paidite any of his right and upon that pro]mise he Did  
1326 then serve  
1327 Edward Newton of Chaddesden in the County of Derby yeoman aged three score  
1328 And two yeares or there abouts Sworne and examined  
1329 (1) To the first Interr[ogatory] he saith that he knoweth all the parties in the Interr[ogatory] named and  
1330 hath knowen some of them from their Childhood and the rest by all the tyme of his  
1331 remembrance except Noaton  
1332 (2) To the second Interr[ogatory] he sayth That he knoweth the Mannor or Lor[dshi]p of Spondon  
1333 in the County of Derby and hath knowen the same by the space of fifty years last past  
1334 or theire abouts and hath heard that the same was p[ar]cell of the possessions of the  
1335 Dutchy of Lancaster as belonginge to the Lor[dshi]p of Tutbury in the County of  
1336 Stafford  
1337 (4) To the fourth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth noe such Domaane lands in Spondon  
1338 Interrogated and therefore cannot further Depose to this Interr[ogatory]  
1339 (5) To the fifth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That the freeholders of Spondon aforesaid  
1340 by the space of fifty years last past or there abouts have usually had common of pasture  
1341 for themselves and their farmers for all their Cattle kepte upon theire freeholds  
1342 lands throughout the whole fields of Spondon aforesaid at all usuall & commonable  
1343 tymes of the yeare and never knowe or heard that it was other wise occupied there  
1344 for the space of 2 yeares last past

1345 (6) To the sixth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith that hee knoweth and hath seene the freehold &  
1346 of Spondon aforesaid take in and inclose Duls p[ar]cells of their owne lands out of  
1347 the arable fields of Spondon and verily beleiveth that it was at their owne  
1348 wills and pleasers and new heards to the countrey and sayth that after such  
1349 enclosure they other freeholders have not used to have Comon in the said enclosures  
1350 but those said such? enclosed them have kept them in and Doe keepe them in secully to  
1351 themselves for any thinge this Depon[en]t now knoweth to the Contrary

1352 (7) To the seventh Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That hee knoweth Certayn Ley grounde  
1353 lyinge w[ith]in the Lor[dshi]p of Spondon called by the name of Brunswode and  
1354 Goodwiche and sayth that the same grounds lye rigg and furrowe exeplinge  
1355 some shanks and places unfit for tillage and therefore this Depon[en]t verily  
1356 believeth that the have beene tilled and sown w[ith] corne, and this Depon[en]t hath  
1357 seene corne sown upon some parte of that parcell of grounde called Goodwiche

1358 (18) To the xviiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he well knoweth a grounde in  
1359 Spondon called the Waste and sayth that any of the freeholders in Spondon  
1360 aforesaid (as this Depon[en]t: hath credibly hearde) have beast gates there and every  
1361 one knoweth have many beast gates he hath there in and believeth that the said  
1362 beast pastures are parcel of their sev[er]all tenements and that the soyle of the said  
1363 Waste belongeth to the said freeholders appouconably accordinge to the number of  
1364 their beast gates, and sayth that they have ever been soe reputed owned thereof

1365 by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
1366 William Drakeley of Spondon in the County of Derby husbandman aged lxxxiiii  
1367 years or there abouts sworne and examined  
1368 1 To the first Interr[ogatory] he sayth That he knoweth all the p[ar]ties in the Interrogatory menconed  
1369 and hath so knowne them severally from their Childhood  
1370 2 To the second Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he well knoweth the Mannor or Lordship of Spondon  
1371 in the County of Derby and hath so knowene the same by the space of seventy yeares last  
1372 past, but knoweth not whether the same p[ar]cell of the Dutchy of Lancaster belonginge  
1373 to the Lord[shi]p of Tutbury  
1374 3 To the third Interrogatory he sayth That there are two flats lyinge w[i]thin the  
1375 said Manner or Lordship of Spondon called or knowene by the name of the kings lands  
1376 or Domeans lands and sayth that one of the said flats lyeth in that field belonginge to  
1377 Scinderlands containinge by estimacon about three acres, and the other flatt lyeth in  
1378 Spondon Field called Brookfield lying towards Lockoe at a place called Lowsey  
1379 grave & containeth by estimacon seven acres or there abouts  
1380 4 To the fourth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he knows one Henry Lockoe & one Laurance  
1381 Taylor boy deceased now tennants to the said two flatts of the said Demeane lands & also  
1382 Henry Clark was tenant to one of the said flatts & one stiles & then the same came into the  
1383 ? of Mr Gilbert (as this Depon[en]t now remembreth And also sayth that the said tennemants and other  
1384 ?bitan? (exceptinge Mr Gilbert) have had comon of pastures in Spondon w[it]hout stints

1385           ?the Inhabitants of Spondon for those the lands they have held there

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1387 5 To the fifth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance ye freeholders  
1388 of Spondon have used to have Comon of pasture for themselves and their farmers for all their cattle  
1389 respectively kept uppon their said freehold lands as well in and throughout the arable lands of the pl[ainti]ffe  
1390 called the kings Domeane, as in and through all the Towne fields of Spondon aforesaid at all tymes of  
1391 the yeare so longe as they be unenclosed and the fields fallow or end cutt & carried away untill the  
1392 same fields were sowen againe, and further sayth that by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance the  
1393 said freeholders have used to have common in and throughout all the fields of Spondon at commonable  
1394 tymes

1395 6 To the sixth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That the freeholders in Spondon have at their wills and  
1396 pleasures used to take in and enclose their owne lands out of the comon arable fields in Spondon  
1397 aforesaid & sayth that after the same more so enclosed the other freeholders in Spondon aforesaid  
1398 have not used to have comon in the said enclosures

1399 7 To the seventh Interr[ogatory] he sayth That he well knoweth the Ley grounds called Brunswood &  
1400 Goodwych lyinge w[ith]in th Lordship of Spondon and sayth that all the said grounds do lye Rigg  
1401 and furrow except some shankes or waste places unfitt for tillage, and it Doth mamefeitly  
1402 appeared that the same grounds have bene anciently tilled and sowen w[ith] Corne, and this Depon[en]t  
1403 sayth that he hath seen all or the most p[ar]te of Goodwich sowen w[ith] Corne, and also one flatt  
1404 in Brunswood Sowen w[ith] Corne

1405 8 To the eighth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t Sayth that hee rongly beleeveth that some of the freeholders in  
1406 Spondon do own their owne lands w[ith]in the said ley grounds called Goodwych & Brunswood



1407 as belonginge to their farmers & further to this Interr[ogatory] Deposeth not  
1408 9 To the ixth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That he Doth know the half acre in Goodwych and the  
1409 Comon baulke or Comon ground in Brunswode, and the p[ar]cell of ground in Burrow field called  
1410 the Leysick, and also one peece heretofore p[ar]cell of the Brook field called Rough Close Nooke, and likewise  
1411 one peece w[ith]in the Meadows in Spondon called the Kirke Pyngle & sayth that he hath knowne  
1412 the Inhabitants in Spondon poore men & others usually teather their horses upon the foresaid ground  
1413 (except the Church pyngle) by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance, and have taken the[m] & fitts ?  
1414 thereof by all the tyme aforesaid  
1415 10 To the tenth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth he cannot certainly Depose  
1416 11 To the xith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That he Doth not know that the Relator before he purchased  
1417 his maties Demeane lands in Spondon or any other of the kings farmers of his said Demeane lands  
1418 in Spondon [the] owner used to putt in cattle in the open tyme into the said grounds called Goodwych  
1419 & Brunswode, or into any of the Comon fields or grounds in Spondon in right of the s[ai]d Demdomes  
1420 and further sayth that he neely holeenth that the husbandmen in Spondon Did agree that the said  
1421 grounds called Goodwych & Brunswode should be enclosed and verly beleeveth that the Cottagers  
1422 Did likewise agree thereunto because they have a couse gate there for eleaven shillings from  
1423 Mayday untill Candlemas  
1424 12 To the twelveth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he Doth knowe the closes in the Lor[dshi]p of Spondon now belonging  
1425 To the Deffend[an]t Thomas Hollingworth and the lands therein viz two closes lying upon Goodwich and one close  
1426 lying upon Brunswode but knoweth not that the said Thomas Hollingworth and those under who but he

1427 Claymeth haqe hold or enjoyed the same as their freehold or in houctaurd

1428 13 To the xiiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That he knoweth some closes that John Carrington the Deffen[an]t houly in  
1429 Spondon viz one Close in Brunswood and another Close in Goodwych w[hic]h belongs to the said John Carrington  
1430 and one his owne freehold land as this Depon[en]t takes it w[hic]h Closes this Depon[en]t hath knowen enclosed by the space  
1431 of twelve years or there abouts

1432 14 To the xiiiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith that he cannot certaynely Depose

1433 15 To the xvth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith that the Deffend[an]ts and other freeholders w[i]thin Spondon  
1434 aforesaid that the Deffend[an]ts and those estates they have and their farmers and tenants have usually by  
1435 all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance Out grubbed and gott gorse uppon Spondon More and gorse  
1436 and thornes upon Spondon Waste or beast pasture to spend in their sev[er]all tennants in Spondon aforesaid and  
1437 further saith that he hath Scowered up pitts for watteringe places in both the grounds called Spondon More  
1438 and Spondon Waste and that he this Depon[en]t about twelve years since was hyard amongst others to Digg a  
1439 new pitt in the nether end of the ground Called Spondon Waste for a watteringe place for their  
1440 Cattle and saith that the other pitts have beene used to be scowered by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
1441 and sayth that the said ground called Spondon Waste hath by all this Depon[en]ts remembrance lyen rigg and  
1442 furrowe and alsoe that the Inhabitants of Spondon have had the pastureinge & pits and feeding of  
1443 the said grounds called Called Spondon More and Spondon Waste ? saving that the Inhabitants of Ockbrook  
1444 Do Comon upon Spondon More

1445 18 To the xviiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he Doth knowe the said ground in Spondon called  
1446 Spondon Waste and saith that every the freeholders w[it]hin Spondon have Certayne beast pastures

1447 w[it]hin the said waste, and saith that the said beast pasture one parcell of their sev[er]all tennements and sayth  
1448 that he verily beleeveth that the soyle of the waste Doth belonge unto the freeholders of Spondon according  
1449 to the rate of their beaste gate as p[ar]cell of their sev[er]all tenements and saith that the freeholders and such as have  
1450 had beast gates their have beene reputed owners thereof for raing king this Depon[en]t hath heard to the  
1451 Contrary

1452 19 To the xixth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith that about 40th yeares since there was one Robert Newton Sen[ior]  
1453 Beytine to the late Queene Elizabeth of the mann[or] of Spondon and Chaddesden who Did enclose and  
1454 endeavoured to keepe enclosed a peece of grounde in Spondon field Called Deysick peece p[ar]cell of the  
1455 waste of Spondon but Humfrey Brownell and John Noaton two of the Inhabitants of Spondon  
1456 the same upon a gaire and were there upon brought upp to London but had little sayd to them uppon  
1457 caune there (as this Depon[en]t sayth he hath Credibly heard) and since the said Casting open of the said p[ar]cells of land open  
1458 as afore sayd they Inhabitants of Spondon have enjoyed and kept open the same

1459 20 To the xxth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that the stint of the beast gates in the said Waste Did anciently consist  
1460 of thirteene score and fourteene beast gates and that During the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance there hath beene  
1461 pay[e]d a penie for every of the beast gates in the said waste xx s[hillings] where of hath beene pay[e]d to the Queens & kings  
1462 Bayline for the tyme being and the rest was Desposed to those that gathered it w[hic]h were called waste reives  
1463 That gathered the said rents and looked that the said waste were not out Stinted But hath that of late  
1464 tymes the soil the said number of stints are Drawen to halfe for many as they anciently were and nowe  
1465 pay two pence a beast gate  
1466 Robert Rowland formerly sworne on the pl[aintif]fs p[ar]te nowe on the Deffenents parte

1467 21 To the xxith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith That he this Depon[en]t is tenant at will from year to the  
1468 compl[ainan]t Mr Gilbert for two p[ar]cells of lands in Chaddesden to the value of xi to p[er] an[num] but hath noe  
1469 other Dependancy at all upon the said Comp[lainan]ts  
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1471 Michiell Sarckson of Spondon in the County Derby weil wright aged 67 years or thereabouts  
1472 sworne & examined

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1483 of that the said leys are worth 40 s[hillings] per an[num]

1484 4 To the 4th Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he hath knowen there one Rob[er]te Datyn late of Borrowash deceased  
1485 occupie the flat in Burrowash fielde parcel of the kings land and since his Death one Henry Clarke  
1486 nowe Deceased alsoe hath beene farmer to both the flatts of the Kings lands and now they are in the  
1487 occupacon of Mr Gilbert the Compl[ainan]t and sayth this Depon[en]t was tennant to Harry leys until about 5  
1488 or six years since att w[hic]h tyme the Compl[ainan] Dutered upon them and hath since enjoyed them  
1489 himself and further saith that the farmers of the said kings lands y[et] and not had Comon of pasture  
1490 upon the freeholders lands in Spondon aforesaid in right of the said Demaines lands for any king

1491 this Depon[en]t knoweth

1492 5 To the vth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that the freeholders in Spondon have used to have Comon  
1493 of pastures for themselves and their farmers for all their cattle kept upon their freehold lands  
1494 by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance as well thereout the arable lands of the pl[aint]iffs  
1495 w[ithin] Spondon as in and throughout the Comon fields of Spondon aforesaid upon the fields  
1496 were fallow or Corne Cutt and caryed away till the same were sown againe soe longe  
1497 as the same were enclosed

1498 6 To the vith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that the freeholders of Spondon have at their wills and  
1499 pleasures taken in and enclosed certayne closes of their owne land w[ithin] the arable fields of  
1500 Spondon and have enjoyed the same so enclosed w[ithout] any interruption to this Depon[en]ts knowledge

1501 7 To the 7th Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he knoweth certayne ley grounds lying w[ithin] the Lor[dshi]p of  
1502 Spondon called Brunswode and Goodwyche and sayth that the same Doe lye rigg and furrow  
1503 excepting some shanks or places unfitt for tillage and reylie believeth that the same have bene sown  
1504 w[ith] corne and up to Goodwyche this Depon[en]t hath gott Corne there for himself and soe did his  
1505 master before him sowe and gott Corne there

1506 8 To the eighth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he this Depont rerilie beleeveth that all or  
1507 Most p[ar]te of the freeholders in Spondon Do know their owne lands in Goodwyche & Brunswode  
1508 for he this Depon[en]t hath seen that upon they have tethered their Cattle upon the said grounde or  
1509 they have eaten upon others they have tyed up their teathers

1510 9 To the ixth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth one peece of grounde in Burrow field called

1511 Deysich and one peece of the brooke field called Rough Close Nooke but Doth not know the Lyrkr pyngle  
1512 The halfe acre in Goodwych nor Comon baulker in Brunswood and further sayth that they Inhabitants  
1513 of Spondon aforesaid as well pore as wich have hasten and usually every neay Dug in the Morning  
1514 to teather their horses upon the said p[ar]cell of common ground and at some other tymes they  
1515 Inhabitants of Spondon have sett them and have Disposed the rents there of for the use of the  
1516 towne of Spondon ab[ou]t w[hi]ch this Depon[en]t knowne by the space of fifty years last past  
1517 or there abouts

1518 10 To the tenth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth Deposeth not further than he hath Deposed  
1519 11 To the eleventh Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That the Relator Mr Gilbert before he purchased  
1520 his Matt Demeane lands in Spondon or any other of the Kings farmers of the said lands Did  
1521 never use to put in cattle into the said grounds Called Goodwych and Brunswood in the open  
1522 tyme or in any of the comon field grounds in Spondon in right of the said Demeane land  
1523 for right of the said Demeane lands  
1524 for any kinge this Depon[en]t knoweth or out heard and sayth that he hath not heard that there  
1525 was any difference betwixt the freeholders and Cottiers about the taking in of the said grounds  
1526 Called Brunswood and Goodwych

1527 12 To the twelveth Interr[ogatory] & such that he Doth not know the closes of the Defend[an]ts Thomas  
1528 Hollingworth lying in Spondon but hath heard that the said Thomas Hollingworth hath enjoyed  
1529 such Closes as he hath quitly?

1530 13 To the thirteenth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he Doth not in p[ar]ticuler know the closes of John Carrington the

1531 Deffend[en]t in Spondon Lor[dshi]p but hath that the said Carrington andhis Decessors have enjoyed the same  
1532 quietly for any Kinge that this Depon[en]t hath ever heard to the Contrrary  
1533 14 To the fourteenth Interr[ogatory] he saith that he Doth not knowe in p[ar]ticuler the Closes of the said Deffend[en]t  
1534 John Taylor and those under whome he Claymeth in Spondon Lor[dshi]p but sayth that he hath not  
1535 heard but that he and his Decessors before him have quietly enjoyed the same  
1536 15 To the xvth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that the Deffend[an]ts and other the freeholders of Spondon  
1537 by the space of fiftie years last past or there abouts have Cutt grubed and gott gorse upon  
1538 Spondon More Wasteand gorse and thornes upon Spondon Wasste or beast pasture for their necessary  
1539 uses to be spent in theire severall tenements and sayth that they have used to scower the wateringe pitts on  
1540 Spondon More Called ricrar pitts the greater gripp on the said More And another pitt upon  
1541 Spondon Waste w[hic]h have byne used to be scowed as their was accacon And sayth that the said grounde  
1542 Called Spondon Waste lyeth ridgg and layne except a small parcel lyinge now unto the  
1543 said pitt in Spondon Waste and sayth that the Inhabitants of Spondon have had the benefit  
1544 pfitt and staring of the said grounds called Spondon Waste and Spondon More by all the  
1545 tyme of fiftie years aforesaid  
1546 18 To the xviiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he knoweth the grounde in Spondon aforesaid called  
1547 the waste and that every the freeholders there have Certayne beast gates w[it]hin the said waste as  
1548 parcel of their severall tenements and rerylie beleeveth that the sayle of the said waste belongeth to the  
1549 freeholders and Inhabitants of Spondon according to theire rate of theire beast gates as p[ar]cell of  
1550 ?tendts and soe have beene reputed owners thereof for the space of 50th years & upwards  
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1552 William Coup of Chaddesden in the County of Derby labourer aged ninetie years or there abouts  
1553 Sworne and examined  
1554 18 To the xviiiith Interr[ogatory] he saith that he Doth knowe the ground in Spondon Called or knowen by the name  
1555 of Spondon Waste and that the Certayne beast gates w[ithin] the said waste  
1556 or beast pasture and that he reylie beleeveth that the said beast pastures are p[ar]cell of the freeholders severall  
1557 tenements there and that by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance it hath beene so used and conceith  
1558 also that the soyle of the said waste belongeth to the freeholders of Spondon as belonginge to theire  
1559 sev[er]all tenements and soe hath beene reported by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance all w[ith] this  
1560 Depon[en]t rerily beleeveth to be true for that this Depon[en]ts father whoe dyed about fourtie years since was keep  
1561 of the said waste for the Inhabitants of Spondon  
1562 Richard Cheadle of Chaddesden in the County of Derby yeoman aged 40 years or there abouts Sworne & examined  
1563 17 To the xviiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That at a Court Barron kept or used to  
1564 Be kept about three or foure years since by Comp[lainan]te Mr Gilbert for the Mannor of Spondon  
1565 Def[fendant] he this Depon[en]t heard the Deffen[dan]ts Thom[as] Hollingworth & John Taylor Deny to appeare and serve  
1566 at any Court Barron w[ith] the Comp[lainan]te held for the said Mannor of Spondon, But they then  
1567 Steward p[er]swaded them to serve & p[ro]missed the said Deffend[an]ts this Depon[en]t and others that it should  
1568 be no pr[e]judice to them for the tyme to come if the would serve them at that tyme, upon w[ith]h  
1569 pr[o]mis[s]e the said Hollingworth & Taylor & the rest relyinge Did then serve  
1570 John Hollingworth of Spondon in the County of Derby yeom[an] aged xxxxxii years or there abouts sworne  
1571 and examined

1572 16 To the xvith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth That the said Depon[en]t Thomas Hollingworth and John Carrington Doe  
1573 paye repite of Homage to Sr Henry Agard Rf or his Deputie feodary for the Hon[ary] of Tutbury for their sev[er]all  
1574 lands they have in Spondon and this Depon[en]t knoweth the same to be true for that he payeth respite of Homage  
1575 in like in ann[ual] foilands that this Depon[en]t holds in Spondon also in (right of his soined in land Richard Oseffe no Eafoitt of homage  
1576 Nir Connoly paye to one vill as the said Sr Henry Agards Deputie w[hic]h s[ai]d Bill Demanded and received of  
1577 the said Deffend[an]ts and this Depon[en]t at one tyme to this Depon[en]ts nowe best remembrance xxth years  
1578 arrerayes of the said respite money  
1579 (held for the names? of Spondon about two years since, as w[hic]h Court Leete)

1580 17 To the seventeenth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t was at a Courte Leete the said Deffend[an]ts Thomas  
1581 Hollingworth and John Taylor Did appeare Mr Chadwick the then Steward of the said Court for the  
1582 Compl[ainan]t then Called a Jury for a Court barron there alsoe to be held and Did Sweare the said Hollingworth  
1583 And Taylor to searve there upon and afterwards called one John Carrington to searve likewise upon the  
1584 said Jury for the said Court Barron who pceinding that it was to Doe service at the said Court Barron  
1585 refused to searve and outvoted the said Steward to spare him because it was Contrary to their  
1586 accieal Custome and then the said Thomas Hollingworth Disiel the said Steward to spare him alsoe for  
1587 serving at the said Courte because it was Contrary to their Custome to whome the said Steward watered?  
1588 that he being then sworne the Courte not hear him but entrained him and the said Taylor to searve at that  
1589 tyme because they were sworne and it should not be any p[re]judice into them or p[re]sident against them  
1590 for after tymes

1591 20 [To the] xxth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayeth that he Doth knowe by the tyme of his remembrance that there hath

1592 beene usually pay[e]d to the waste Reeves of Spondon a penney a stint for any beast gate in the ground  
1593 Called Spondon Waste out of whic]h there hath beene yearly xiii s[hillings] vi d pay[e]d to Mr Tho[mas] Gilbert and iii s[hillings] iii d  
1594 to Mr Henry Gilbert his Sonne and the rest is to they said waste Reeves who gather the said Stints but  
1595 the said Mr Tho[mas] Gilbert hath refused to Receaine the said xvii s[hillings] vi d payable to him for the space of  
1596 3 years last past or there abouts to this Depon[en]ts now best remembrance  
1597 Richard Knowles of Spondon in the Countie of Derby yeom[an] aged 60tie years or there abouts  
1598 sworne and examined  
1599 1 To the first Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth all the p[ar]ties in the Interr[ogatory] named and hath soe knowen them  
1600 by all the tyme of his remembrance as being borne and Dwelling in Spondon except Norton whom he  
1601 hath knowne from his childhood  
1602 2 To the second Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth the Mannor of or Lor[dshi]p of Spondon w[it]hin the County of Derby  
1603 and hath knowene the same by all the tyme of the remembrance but knoweth not that the same is parcel of  
1604 possessions of the Duchy of Lancaster belonginge to the hon[ou]r of Tutbury in the County of Stafford  
1605 3 To the third Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he knoweth two flatts of arable land Called the kings land  
1606 One of them lying in Brook field upon a flatt there called Lowsey greave and the other flat lying in a  
1607 field next Burroghashe on a furlonge shooting into other Dale Sich and knoweth another parcel of ground  
1608 of the kings lands Called faukers baulk Leyes shooting upon the old? water but what the said  
1609 parcels of land or any of them Doe Contayne this Depon[en]t knoweth not  
1610 4 To the fourth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t daith That he know one Henry Clarke farmer of the said two flatts of  
1611 ground in Spondon aforesaid who used to have common of pasture upon the freeholders lands in Spondon

1612 aforesaid but whether in the right of the said Demaine lands or of other lands w[hic]h he then alsoe he this Depon[en]t Doth not knowe  
1613 5 To the fifth Interr[ogatory] he saiyth that by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance the freeholders lands in Spondon  
1614 and their farmers and tenants have usually had common of pasture be are there Cattle kepte upon their said freehold lands in  
1615 the Kings Domaine any in & fromings into all had when the s[ai]d fields were fallow & upon the Corne Spondon as well in and through out  
1616 the lands of the pl[aint]iffs farm upon Dallysich Comon field aforesaid tymes was cut and Caryed  
1617 away till the said fields were sowen again  
1618 6 To the vith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t saith That the freeholders in Spondon have taken in closes of their  
1619 owne lands out of the Comon arable fields in Spondon aforesaid at their wills and pleasures  
1620 and he Did now know any other of the freeholders of Spondon that had common w[it]hin the said  
1621 into sares after they were so enclosed  
1622 7 To the viith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that all the grounds called Goodwych and Brunswood w[it]in the  
1623 Lord]ship of Spondon so lye rigg and roame except some shanks, or syches or wat[er]y places nott arable  
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1626 are unfit for tillage ad sayth That it Doth manifestly appear that the said grounds have  
1627 bene anceintly fallow and this Depon[en]t hath seene some part of Goodwych sowen w[i]th Blencorn  
1628 and wheate  
1629 8 To the eighth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he doth beleeeve that the most p[ar]te of the freeholders  
1630 Spondon Do know theire owne lands lying w[it]hin the ley grounds called Brunswood and  
1631 Goodwych and it is for the most part knowne unto what farmes the said Comons Called Goodwych  
1632 and Brunswood Do belonge and many of the Lands there in Lyinge have theire markes for  
1633 remayndinge upon them  
1634 9 To the ixth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he well knows the p[ar]cell of ground called  
1635 the Rough Close Nooke in the Brooke field and he hath heard that there is a ley in  
1636 Goodwych w[hi]ch is not knowne whose land it is and hath heard that there is a common Ley  
1637 in Brunswood also and he knows a p[ar]cell of ground in the field next Burrowash called  
1638 the Ley Sick and knoweth a little Spott or pyngle lying lees land in Spondon Meadows  
1639 called the Kirke Pyngle the Rent of w[hi]ch pyngle was want to go to the Clerk keep for keeping  
1640 the Clerk and sayth that the Inhabitants of Spondon poore and rich During all the tyme  
1641 of this Depon[en]ts remembrance have used to teather theire horses and cattle upon the other  
1642 leys or grounds at comonable tymes before they were enclosed exceptinge the ley in Goodwich  
1643 w[hi]ch he knows not how it hath bene used and except the sicke w[hi]ch hath some tymes bene eaten  
1644 as Comon and some tymes sett for the Townes use  
1645 10 To the Tenth Interr[ogatory] he Deposeth not but as form[er]ly he hath Deposed

1646 11 To the xiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth That the Relator Mr Gilbert hath not nor any other of them  
 1647 Ringes Farmers of his Domaine Lands in Spondon before he purchased his Mahis  
 1648 Domeane Lands theire end used to put any cattle in the open tyme into the said ground  
 1649 Goodwyche or Brunswode or into any of the field or common grounds in Spondon in  
 1650 of the said said Demeane Lands and sayth that he was pr[e]sent and did heare when the freeholders  
 1651 and cottagers in Spondon agreed that the said grounds called Goodwyche and Brunswode  
 1652 be enclosed  
 1653 12 To the xiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that hee knoweth many of the closes in the Lor[dshi]p of Spondon  
 1654 Belonginge to the Defen[dan]t Thom[as] Hollingworth and by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts  
 1655 remembrance he hath held and occupied quietly and peaceably the ancient enclosures & one  
 1656 lately or Ducler? gag? abie? Since then enclosing thereof Esume ought this Depon[en]t knoweth to the Contrary and these  
 1657 hollingworth hath soe held the same for himself & those under whome he they moth? Is theire freeholders  
 1658 Inheritance is this Depon[en]ts conceiyth  
 1659 13 To the xiiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayeth that he knoweth the closes belonging to the said Defend[en]t John Carrington & the land lying  
 1660 Therein w[ith]in the Lordship of Spondon whereof the said closes were taken in, one of them about tenn or  
 1661 twelve years since teather aboute sixteene years since & sayth that the said Carrington & his pivno for  
 1662 have quietly enjoyed the said two enclosures ever since they were soe enclosed as also they ancient  
 1663 enclosures by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance as there freehold & his Inheritance  
 1664 14 To the xiiiiith Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayeth That he knoweth the closes in the Lor[dshi]p of Spondon &  
 1665 Lands therein lying belonging to the Defend[an]t John Taylor where? sonc? of the said closes and have

1666 beene enclosed beyond this Depon[en]ts remembrance & some others of them have beene taken enclosed arad? say?  
1667 that the said John Taylor & those scoide Whome he claymeth the same have horse & ponies & they  
1668 As his there freehold or Inheritance  
1669 15 To the xvth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that the Defend[an]ts exochench? the freeholders in Spondon theire tenants and  
1670 farmers & those whose estates they have space? usually saley? and the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
1671 & tyme out of winter? As this Depon[en]t hath heard have outt grubbed & got gorse upon Spondon more  
1672 & likewise shonwise? Anciently (until now of late they have cut & gott gorse & there use upon Spondon Waste or beaste pasture  
1673 Lor[dshi]p gond in theire so what tenants aboute mated mas tyme and have Denuded them according to the  
1674 Irenits of arch Mans stint of beasts uppon the said pasture but of latter tymes they have used to cutt  
1675 & grubb them at theire pleasures and saith that he this Depon[en]t hath beene at the scowering of the pits  
1676 for watering places both in the weather end of the said Spondon More & Spondon Waste & sayth that there was  
1677 a new pitt made in the weather end of the said Spondon Waste aboute fifteene yeares agoe but thather  
1678 watering pitts were there before this Depon[en]t was of memory And saith that the said ground called  
1679 Spondon Waste lyeth Rigg & Raigme ? sid except a little mocgt at the places where the last pitt is  
1680 made and saith that the Inhabitants of Spondon have had pastureing & psicts of the said ground  
1681 called Spondon More by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance, & the ancient freeholders  
1682 tenants & cottages in Spondon aforesaid w[hi]ch have had stints in the said Spondon Waste have  
1683 had the pasturing & psicts of the said ground called Spondon Waste During the tyme of this  
1684 Depon[en]ts remembrance  
1685 18 To the viiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth the ground in Spondon called the waste and sayth

1686 that only ancient freeholders & or cottages w[it]hin Spondon aforesaid have some beasts pasture in the said  
1687 waste & for eught this Deponent knoweth the said beast pastures are p[ar]cell of Spondon tenants & sayth  
1688 that the soyle of the ground Called Spondon Waste Doth belong to the freeholders in Spondon  
1689 according to the rate of their beast gates as p[ar]cell of their tenants & soe they have beene  
1690 reputed owners thereof

1691 19 To the 19th Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that he hath heard that one Mr Newton being then bayliffe  
1692 for the late Queene Elizabeth for the Mannor or Spondon & Chaddesden Did long since in these Queens tyme but how long he  
1693 remembereth not enclose the p[ar]cell of ground called the  
1694 Deysich peece lying in Burrowash field and that the same was p[re]senly throwne open  
1695 againe by one of Mr Browndlls sonnes & one John Newton Norton of Spondon & sayth that the same  
1696 hath end since beene held open & enjoyed by the Inhabitants of Spondon aforesaid  
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1698 William Lockoe of Ilkeston in the County of Derby Butcher aged  
 1699 fourscore yeares or there abouts sworne and examined  
 1700 18 To the eighteenth Interrogatory he sayth That he knoweth a p[ar]cell of ground in  
 1701 Spondon Waste and sayth that every the ancient freeholders?  
 1702 Spondon have certaine beaste pastures w[it]hin the said Spondon Waste as belonging  
 1703 To theire sev[er]all tenements and sayth that he this Depon[en]t conceindth that the soyle  
 1704 of the said Waste belongeth to the said Freeholders of Spondon and their tenants  
 1705 and sayth this Depon[en]ts father was a freeholder there and it was so reputed then  
 1706 hath bene by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
 1707 Thomas Bamford of Chaddesden in the County of Derby yeoman aged three  
 1708 score and seaven years or there abouts sworn and examined  
 1709 1 To the first Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth the Compl[ainen]t Mr Gilbert and the  
 1710 Defen[den]ts and hath knowne them for the most p[ar]te ever since he was of remembrance  
 1711 except Norton whom he hath only scene  
 1712 2 To the second Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth the Mannor or Lordship of  
 1713 Spondon in the County of Derby and hath knowne the same by the space of fiftie years  
 1714 & upwards said hath now heard to the contrary but that the said mannor was p[ar]cell of the possessions of  
 1715 the Dutchy of Lankester belonging to the hon[ou]r of Tutbury  
 1716 4 To the fourth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that to this Depon[en]ts whose best remembrance Mr Newton Thomas Newton  
 1717 his sonne Robert Newton the sonne of the said Thomas were the Queens & the kings Bayliffs of the said

1718 Mannor of Spondon and beleeveth they farmed the said lords of the kinge or the Queene, and that one  
1719 Chercy and after him one Shiles held some p[ar]te of the same from them the said Newtons and sayth that  
1720 he Doth not knowe that the said farmers of the said kings lands had common of pasture upon the freeholders  
1721 lands in the right of the said Demeane lands now to his remembrance new used to have any  
1722 5 To the fifth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance the freeholders of Spondon  
1723 have used to have common of pasture for themselves and their tenants & farmers for all their cattle kept upon  
1724 their lands in & through all their arable land of the pl[ain]tiff some tymes the kings Demeanes at all comonable  
1725 tymes of the year as alsoe common in & through all the fields of Spondon so longe as they were semiclosed  
1726 as well when the fields were fallow as when corne was cutt & carried away untill the same fields were sown  
1727 againe savinge that there and some new cottages as two of late years erected w[hic]h this Depon[en]t concerneth have noe right  
1728 of common there  
1729 6 To the sixth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that the freeholders of Spondon have at their wills & pleasures taken in many closes of their  
1730 owne lands out of the arable fields of Spondon & soe have kept them in and sayth that he Doth not thinke that any  
1731 other of the Freeholders of Spondon after such said enclosures have had comon in any the said inclosed ures grounds  
1732 7 To the viiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth That he Doth know certayne ley grounds in Spondon Lor[dshi]p, called Brunswood and  
1733 Goodwich and that the same Doe lye rigg & furrow (except some shanks & baulkes) & sayth that he concerneth the same have beene  
1734 anciently tilled for this Depon[en]t hath seene corne growinge upon some p[ar]te of Goodwich  
1735 18 To the xviiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he Doth know a ground in Spondon called the waste and Doth know that  
1736 the ancient freeholders there have certayne beast gates w[ith]in the said Waste, and sayth that he usuayley thinketh  
1737 that the said beast gates Doe belonge to their sev[er]all tenants for that this Depon[en]t married a wife that had a rent

1738 in Spondon that had three beast gates belonging unto the said tenant & Doth rerylie think that the soyle of the  
1739 said waste Doth belonge unto the said freeholders as p[ar]cell of their sev[er]all tenements for that this Depon[en]t enjoyed  
1740 these three beast gates, w[hic]h he had in right of his wife untill his sonne sold the same and sayth that he now  
1741 heard that any of the freeholders were trubled in the use thereof and sayth that the said freeholders have by  
1742 all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance beene reputed denied of the said waste  
1743 Raph Cooper of Chaddesden in the County of Derby Taylor aged three score  
1744 and sixteene years or there abouts sworne & examined  
1745 1 To the first Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth the said Compl[ainan]t Mr Gilbert and  
1746 all the Deffen[dan]ts and hath knowne them from their youth  
1747 2 To the second Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth the Mannor or Lor[dshi]p of Spondon  
1748 in the County of Derby and hath knowen the same by the space of three score years or  
1749 there abouts & reyly beleeveth that the same is p[ar]cell of the possessions of the Dutchy of Lan=  
1750 caster as belonginge to the honor of Tutbury in the County of Stafford  
1751 3 To the third Interr[ogatory] he sayth That he Doth know two flatts of arable ground one in Burrow  
1752 Field Called Easterdale and the other lyinge in Brooke field upon the flat called Lousy grave  
1753 flatt, w[hic]h by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance hath bene accompters Demeane lands  
1754 belonginge to the said Mannor of Spondon and more or other of the kings Demeane lands  
1755 he Doth not know  
1756 4 To the fourth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he know[s] one Daykne of Burrowash and after him  
1757 one Henry Clerk of the same Towne both deceased who were farmers of East Demeane

1758 lande, and he Doth not know that the said farmers of the said Demeane lands, and  
1759 he doth not know that the said farmers of the said Demeane lands had or used to have  
1760 any right of Comon w[hic]h the freeholders of Spondon by reason of the said Demeane  
1761 lande  
1762 5 To the fifth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
1763 the freeholders of Spondon aforesaid and their farmers, have used to have common  
1764 of pasture for all their cattle kept upon their said freehold lands in & through  
1765 out all the Comon felde of Spondon aforesaid aswell throughout the said Demeane  
1766 arable lands as in and throughout other the lands in the Comon fields of Spondon  
1767 aforesaid so longe as they were unenclosed from the corne cutt and carried away  
1768 untill the same were sowed againe, and that the said freeholders by all the tyme afore  
1769 Did have used as Comon all the said fields in Spondon at the comonable tymes of  
1770 the yeare  
1771 6 To the sixth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that some of the freeholders of Spondon aforesaid  
1772 have at their wills and pleasures taken in closes of their owne land out of the  
1773 common arable fields of Spondon aforesaid and sayth that after the said enclosures

1776 the other freeholders not used to have common w[ith]in the said Closes but those  
1777 that have so enclosed then have quietly enjoyed them  
1778 7 To the seventh Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he knoweth the ley grounds lying within  
1779 the Lor[dshi]p of Spondon called Brunswood and Goodwych and sayth that the  
1780 said grounds Doe lye ridge and Roame except some lands w[hic]h lye unfit for tillage and  
1781 this Depon[en]t hath sene Corne growinge upon p[ar]te of Goodwych and hath got  
1782 Corne thereof himself and Doth verily believe that Brunswoodhath also bene  
1783 put he knoweth not the haesie acre in Goodwich  
1784 not the Comon Baulke now the Comon Baulke nor the Comon ground in Brunswood  
1785 but well knows the peece of ground in Burrow field called the Ley Sich and a peece  
1786 of ground in the Brooke field called Rough close nooke and a peece of ground w[ith]in  
1787 Spondon meadows aforesaid called the kirke pyngle and sayth that the Inhabitants  
1788 of Spondon by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance have usually teathered  
1789 their horses and kept their other heard cattle upon the p[ar]cell of land called Rough close nooke  
1790 and the ley sich but the kirke pyngle was always enclosed and the clerk keeper  
1791 of Spondon Did enjoy y[e]t for keepeinge the clerk (as this Depon[en]t eates y[e]t) and sayth that  
1792 by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance the said grounds have been reputed to  
1793 belong to the Inhabitants of Spondon and they accordingly have taken the pfilds thereof  
1794 10 To the tenth Interr[ogatory] he Deposeth not  
1795 11 To the eleventh Interr[ogatory] he sayth that the said Relator Mr Gilbert before hee

1796 purchased his Matie said Demeane lande or any other that formed his Matis said Demeane  
1797 land in Spondon Did now (to this Depon[en]ts knowledge] putt in any cattle or eate as  
1798 comon the said ground called Goodwych and Brunswood in the open tyme or in any  
1799 the fields or comon ground in Spondon in right of the said Demeane lands and further  
1800 sayth that he Doth not knowe how the freeholders and cottagers of Spondon Did agree  
1801 in the enclosing of the said grounde called Brunswood and Goodwych but seems  
1802 they Did agree for that they have enclosed them & enjoyed them accordingly  
1803 15 To the fifteenth Interr[ogatory] he sayth That by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance  
1804 the said Defen[den]ts and other freeholders of Spondon and those Whose estates they have  
1805 and their farmers and tenants have usually grubbed cutt and gott gorse & thornes  
1806 upon Spondon Waste or beast pasture and cutt and gott gorse upon Spondon  
1807 Moore by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance and tyme out of mynd (as this Depon[en]t  
1808 Depon[en]t hath heard) to spend in their said sev[er]all tenements and sayth that for the  
1809 space of three score years or there abouts he hath knowne the said Inhabitants  
1810 of Spondon to scower upp pitts for watteringe places for their cattle in Spondon  
1811 Moore and Spondon Waste and this Depon[en]t hath bene at the scowering of some of  
1812 them himselfe and further sayth that there was one pitt lately Digged for a wateringe  
1813 place in the neather end of Spondon Waste and sayth that the said ground called  
1814 Spondon Wasste lyeth for the most p[ar]te ridge and kenne and hath so lyer layen by  
1815 all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance and likewise sayth that by the like

1816 tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance the Inhabitants of Spondon aforesaid have  
1817 usually had the feedinge pastureinge and pfitt af the said ground called Spondon  
1818 Waste and Spondon Moore

1819 18 To the xviiiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth That he Doth know the p[ar]cell of ground in Spondon  
1820 called the waste and that every the ancient freeholders of Spondon aforesaid have  
1821 certaine beast pastures w[ith]in the said ground called the waste and that the said  
1822 beast pastures (for any thing this Depon[en]t knoweth or have heard to the contrary one  
1823 p[ar]cell of their said sev[er]all tenements and reryly thinketh that the soyle of the said  
1824 waste belongeth to the said freeholders in Spondon accordinge to the rate of their  
1825 beaste gates of their sev[er]all tenements, and further sayth that the freeholders  
1826 have all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance bene reputed owners thereof

1827 19 To the sixth Interr[ogatory] this Depon[en]t sayth that above forty [years] since old Mr Roote  
1828 Newton Deceaced Baliffe to the late Queene Elizabeth of her Mannor of Spondon  
1829 and Chaddesden Did enclose or cause to be enclosed a peece of ground in Spondon  
1830 called the ley sich as p[ar]cell of her maties waste of the said Mannor and endeavoured  
1831 to keepe the same so enclosed but sayth that one Mr John Newton a freeholder of  
1832 Spondon and one Humfrey Brownell who then Dwelt in the p[ar]sonage of Spondon  
1833 Did Cast open the said poore called the ley sich after it was so enclosed by the sayd  
1834 Newton, and owner since the sone hath beene kept open and enjoyed by the  
1835 Inhabitants of Spondon aforesaid

1836	To[mas] Kiryorton
1837	Jo[seph] Osborne
1838	Ric[hard] Brandreth
1839	Robert Hope
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1841 Francis Smalley of Chaddesden in the Countie of Derby labourer aged fiftie yeares  
1842 or there abouts sworne and examined  
1843 1 To the first Interr[ogatory] he sayth That he knoweth Mr Gilbert the Compl[ain]t the Defend[an]ts  
1844 and hath knowne them all by the space of fortie years or there abouts  
1845 2 To the second Interr[ogatory] he saith that he hath knowneth the mannor or Lor[dshi]p of Spondon in the Countie of Derby  
1846 by the space of fortie yeares or there abouts and sayth that the same hath beene commonly taken to be  
1847 p[ar]cell of the possessions of the Dutchy of Lancaster belonginge to the honour of Tutbury in the  
1848 County of Stafford  
1849 3 To the third Interr[ogatory] he saith that there are two flatts in the Lor[dshi]p of Spondon there lying upon  
1850 Lowsigrave flat in Spondon Brooke field the other lying in Spondon Borrowe field upon Asterdale flat w[hic]h this Depon[en]t  
1851 Hath heard Called the kings lands, and hath heard that there is alsoe a Cottage wherein one widdowe  
1852 Harrison now Dwelleth & another little Dwelling house adjoining there unto in Spondon w[hic]h this Depon[en]t hath heard  
1853 were Demeane lands  
1854 but whether they be soe or not this Depon[en]t cannot Depose and alsoe that there is p[ar]te  
1855 of a close called Fceidkneyes leys and a little peece of meadowe lying in the holme mouths in Spondon aforesaid w[hic]h likewise  
1856 this Depon[en]t hath heard were the kings lands  
1857 4 To the fourth Interr[ogatory] he sayth That he this Depon[en]t knows one Henry Clerk of Borrowashe Deceased & after  
1858 him John Hibberd of Spondon th[e] elder to farme and hould the two foresaid flatts before they came to Mr  
1859 Gilbert the Compl[ainan]t the other two peeces of land called Faulnees Leys & [a] little peece of meadow were  
1860 in the occupcon of one Fouche Stiles and afterwards in the occupacon of Hugh Cotton of Spondon

1861 or of his assignes and he further sayth that he this Depon[en]t now know nor heard that such as have held  
1862 the said Demeane lands had right of Comon upon the freeholders lands w[it]hin Spondon aforesaid  
1863 nor out used any Comon there in right of the said Demeane lands or any kinge this Depon[en]t not?  
1864 know or heard of

1865 5 To the fifth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance the said freeholders of Spondon  
1866 have used to have Comon of pasture for themselves and their farmers for all maner of Cattell kept upon  
1867 there said freeholders lands as well in and throughout the arable land of the Compl[ain]t seven tymes the kinges  
1868 Demeane as in and throughout all the comon fields of Spondon aforesaid at all comonable tymes  
1869 of the yeare soe long as they were unenclosed when they fields were fallowe & from the cutting  
1870 and cartinge away of the Corne untill the fieldes were sowed againe and saith that the freeholders of  
1871 Spondon aforesaid & their tenants have used to have comon in all the fields of Spondon aforesaid  
1872 at comonable tymes by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance

1873 6 To the sixth Interr[ogatory] he saith that the freeholders of Spondon have at their wills and pleasures used to  
1874 take in and enclose their owne lands out of the Comon arable fields in Spondon aforesaid and saith  
1875 that the other freeholders in Spondon nor their tenants have not used to have comon in any  
1876 of the said enclosures after they were soe enclosed

1877 7 To the seventh Interr[ogatory] he saith that he knoweth Certayne ley grounds in the Lor[dshi]p of Spondon aforesaid  
1878 Called Brunswode and Goodwich and sayth that the same Doe lye ridge & furrowe all except some  
1879 Shankes unfit for tillage, whereby it Doth onanefestly appeared that the said Goodwich leys & Brunswode  
1880 Leys have bene anciently tilled and used for gettinge of Corne, and saith that upon some p[ar]te of

1881 Goodwich namely the furlonge there Tookinge upon Brook sick this Depon[en]t hath Duids tymes  
 1882 hath sowed and mowed Corne and hath alsoe mowed grasse & tethered horses & other cattell upon  
 1883 the hades of the said lands w[i]th hades & lands belonging to the messuage w[i]th this Depon[en]ts fahs and others  
 1884 held in Spondon and further saith that if any other Did tie or teather any manner of Cattell upon  
 1885 the foresaid hades (other than those to whome the[y] belonged) it was only upon Surferauco, and he further  
 1886 saith that this Depon[en]ts father was bayliffe in Spondon unto the lady Margeret Stanopp? about xx yeares since  
 1887 when Did of the Inhabitants of Spondon were audcied in Courte held for the maor of Spondon  
 1888 upon a payne there made of three shillings four pence that no one should teather their cattell on any other  
 1889 ground upon Goodwich or Brunswood or Brooksick hades or any other place in Spondon fields w[hic]h were  
 1890 not theire owne grounds and this Depon[en]t Did gather for his said father Dials of the amocements w[hic]h were  
 1891 soe made by such as tyed their Cattell otherwise Contrary to the said payne  
 1892 8 To the viiith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he Concenieith that all or the most p[ar]te of the freeholders of Spondon  
 1893 Aforesaid Doe knowe theire owne lands w[it]hin the said grounds Called Brunswood & Goodwich  
 1894 And he thinks that it is for the most parte knowne to what farme any ley w[it]in the said Goodwych  
 1895 & Brunswood soe belonge w[hic]h this Depon[en]t conceieth the rates to be true for that he this Depon[en]t was checked for  
 1896 sussenige his oxen to eate on the leys when he Growe them out the said leys to grasse for saret? that  
 1897 this Depon[en]t sayth that he hath heard there is a ley or baulk in Brunswood w[hic]h is reputed Comon land  
 1898 was anciently a way) and alsoe a p[ar]cell of ground in Brunswood Called Dally Seeck w[hic]h this Depon[en]t  
 1899 hath alsoe heard is Comon grounde  
 1900 9 10 To the nineth & tenth Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he Doth not know the halfe acre in Goodwych interrogated

1901 but Doth know the said Comon baulk grounde in Brunswood and likewise one peece of ground  
1902 in Spondon Borrowe field Called ley sick one peece of ground Called rough close nooke  
1903 heretofore p[ar]cell of the brooke field, and one peece Called the kirke pyngle lying w[it]hin the meadows  
1904 of Spondon aforesaid and he this Depon[en]t saith that all the tyme of his remembrance the said Inhabitants  
1905 of Spondon have usually teathered their horses upon the said Comon baulke in Brunswood & that  
1906 the ley sick hath some tymes bene eaten as comon and some tymes bene lett by the Churchwardens  
1907 of Spondon for the use of the Church & hath heard that the rough Close nooke hath bene  
1908 accountped as Comon ground but Doth not now remember the useage of it that and sayth that this  
1909 kirke pyngle used to goe to the Clerk keep of Spondon towards his wages for keepinge the said  
1910 Clerk and further to this Interr[ogatory] he Deposeth not  
1911 P[ar]te

1912 11 To the xith Interr[ogatory] he sayth that he this Depon[en]t now knows that the said Relator Mr Gilbert before  
1913 he purchased hies Maths said Demeane lands in Spondon or any other farming of the said Demeane  
1914 lands in Spondon Did use to put in any Cattell in the comonable tymes into the said grounds  
1915 Called Goodwich and Brunswood or into any the Comon grounds or fields in Spondon  
1916 aforesaid in right of the said Demeane lands and further to this Interr[ogatory] Deposeth not

1917 12 To the xiith he saith he cannot Certaynely Depose

1918 13 To the xiiiith Interr[ogatory] he saith that he knoweth the Closes in Spondon belonging to the  
1919 Defen[an]ts John Carrington & sayth that he this Depon[en]t now heard but that the said Carrington  
1920 Hathe enjoyed the said Closes quietly and peaceably by all the tyme of this Depon[en]ts remembrance

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1936 Interrogatories to be administered to Witnesses to bee produced in three p[ar]ts on behalf of Thomas Hollingworth John Carrington John Taylor &  
 1937 Thomas Norton def[endan]ts  
 1938 against Thomas Gilbert Esq Jusonmacon in the name of Edward Moseley be held  
 1939 in a Riks Attorney of the Dutchie of Lancaster plt  
 1940 1 Imprimis whether doe you know the said compl[ainan]t Thomas Gilbert & the said defend[an]ts Thomas Hollingworth  
 1941 John Taylor & Thomas Norton Esq how longe have you knowen them or any of them  
 1942 2 Item whether doe you know the Mannor or Lor[dshi]pp of Spondon in the Countie of Derby how longe have you [known the]  
 1943 Mannor or Lor[dshi]pp late parcell of the possessions of the Dutchie of Lancaster belonging to the hon[ou]r of Tutbury in [Staffordshire]  
 1944 3 It[em] what demeane lands are there lyinge w[it]hin the said mannor or Lo[rdshi]pp of Spondon or dutchie of Lancaster of  
 1945 lands  
 1946 4 It[em] what & how many farms of the said Demeane lands in Spondon have you knowen whether have they or any of the?  
 1947 to have Comon of pasture upon the freeholders lands in Spondon aforesaid in Right of the said [Comon report]  
 1948 what you know herein  
 1949 5 It[em] whether have the freeholders in Spondon aforesaid by all the time of yo[u]r remembrance used to have common of pasture  
 1950 themselves & the irt freeholders for all their cattle kept upon their said freehold lands unfortunately as well as themselves the?  
 1951 land of the plt some times the kings demeane all the times of the yeare as in & through all the common fields apporconed aforesaid  
 1952 soe longe as they bee unenclosed when the fields are fallowe and when they are sowed from the corne till & plowed?  
 1953 the same fit to bee sowed againe whether have the said freeholders by all the time aforesaid used to have comon in?  
 1954 all the fields in Spondon aforesaid  
 1955 6 It[em] whether have the freeholders in Spondon aforesaid att their wills & pleasures taken in Closes of the



1956 common arable fields in Spondon aforesaid And whether have any other of the freeholders of Spondon?

1957 Common in the said Inclosures after they were enclosed declare what you knowe herein

1958 7 It[em] whether doe you know certaine ley grounds lying w[it]hin the Lor]dshi]pp of Spondon called Brunswood & hades ?

1959 ley grounds the rigge & furrowe whether doth itt manifestly appeare that the said ley grounde have beene accordingly?

1960 forconne declare what you know herein

1961 8 It[em] whether doe all or the most parte of the freeholders in Spondon know their owne lands w[it]hin the said ley

1962 And Brunswood& Goodwch and whether is itt for all or most p[ar]te knowen unto what farmes motit ley in the said grounde

1963 & Goodwch doe belonge (except out by containeing about half an acre in Goodwch & one common baulke & some other?

1964 of one acre in Brunswood declare what you know herein

1965 9 It[em] whether doe you know the said half acre in Goodwch & the said common baulk & common ground in Brunswood & one acre in

1966 Burrow field called ley sicke & one peece heretoford p[a]rcell of the brooke field called rough close nooke & one notice w[it]hin?

1967 Spondon called the kirke pingle whether have the Inhabitants in Spondon usually tethered their horses on the said?

1968 and other grounds how longe have you knowen them use to tether their horses upon the said grounds & whose have they let

1969 bee all the time of yo[u]r memonct & what hath taken the & fitts there of by all the time aforesaid declare the truth

1970 10 It[em] whether whether not the said half acre ley in Goodwch and the said common baulk & common ground

1971 to bee p[ar]cell of the sev[er]all tenements in Spondon how longe have you knowen them soe reputed

1972 11 It[em] whether did the Relator before hee purchased his Maties Demeane lands in Spondon or any other [of]

1973 his demeane lands in Spondon even wst to putt any cattle in the open time into the said?

1974 Brunswood or into any [of] the fields or Comon grounds in Spondon in right of the said demeanes and whether?

1975 cottagers in Spondon unto use to putt any cattle in the open time in to the said?

1976 12 It[em] whether doe you know the closes in the Lor[dshi]pp of Spondon belonging to the said Defend[an]t Thomas?  
1977 lying therein and how longe have they knowen them & aften of them and most them have?  
1978 the time of your remembrance & time out of minde as? Reambered heard by the said Thomas Hollingworth  
1979 whome that they meth? as their freehould or Inhabitance  
1980 13 It[em] whether doe you know the close on the Lor[dshi]pp of Spondon belonging to the said Defend[an]ts John?  
1981 lands lying therein how longe have you knowen them & ? of them whether have the?  
1982 time of yo[u]r remembrance & time out of minde as you have heard by the said John Taylor?  
1983 under whome hee claymeth the freehould Inhabitance  
1984 14 Ity[em] whether doe you know the closes in the Lor[dshi]pp of Spondon belonging to the said defend[an]ts?  
1985 And the lands lyinge therein how longe have you knowen them & eadie of them?  
1986 been enjoyed all the time of your remembrance and time out of minde as you have?  
1987 Taylor and those under whome hee Claymeth as those freehould or Inhabitance  
1988 15 It[em] whether have the defend[an]ts and others the freeholders in Spondon aforesaid and to  
1989 have and there farmers & tenants usually all the time of your interest and time out of minde  
1990 heard cutt grub[e]d and got gorse and thornes upon Spondon Moore and Spondon [waste] ?  
1991 pasture to spend in their sev[er]all tenements in Spondon aforesaid and to?  
1992 pitts there and how longe have you knowen the same and whether doth the lane  
1993 called the peaste let Rigge & feane and hath soe beene by all the time of?  
1994 hath had the pasturing feedent & prefitt of the said ground called  
1995 Spondon waste all the time aforesaid declare what you have heard

1996 16 It[em] whether doe the said defend[an]ts Thomas Hollingworth one John Carrington?  
1997 homage to the honery Chgard? Kinget Feodanett of the honor of Tutbury or to the?  
1998 severall lands which they hould in Spondon declare what you know herein  
1999 17 It[em] whether didyou here the said Defend[ant]s Thomas Hollingworth and John Taylor  
2000 Them at any time and when Deme to Depose? Att any Court Barron w[hic]h the said  
2001 Thomas Gilbert did used to be heald for the said Mannor of Spondon what won as ?  
2002 said Defend[an]ts Thomas Hollingworth and John Taylor then use to the Steward that  
2003 Court declare the truth  
2004 18 Item whether that you know a grounde in Spondon aforesaid called the waste  
2005 that the freeholders rent and beast pastures within the said waste and whether a?  
2006 pastures p[ar]cell of the sev[er]all tenements whether whether doth the sayde of the said waste belonge  
2007 in Spondon according to the rate of the ? beast gates as p[ar]cell of their sev[e]rall tenements  
2008 they heard reputed omonted there of report what you know herein  
2009 19 It[em] whether did you know that heretofore one of the Rayhes of the Mannor of Spondon & Chaddesden to the ba?  
2010 famous Memorie Queene Elizabeth iiiii did inclose & indeavour to keepe inclosed ? of ?  
2011 aforesaid called ley siche peece as p[ar]tte of h? most of the D?th heard when & how have  
2012 ? to hould the same // when & whether doe you know did the Inhabitants of Spondon aforesaid?  
2013 & whether doe you know that there hath beene paid a pennie a beast for endie ?  
2014 20 It[em] whether doe you know that there hath beene paid a pennie a beast for endie beast?  
2015 have you knowen the same paid & to whome hath?  
2016 And time out of mind

2017 21 It[em] whether have you a Tennant or Servant?

2018 Rich[ard] Brandreth p