Bibliography

OF HISTORICAL REFERENCES RELATING TO THE

Wolli Creek Valley

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Summary

The preparation of this Bibliography has involved searches of land title records, collections of maps, newspaper indexes, road files, our own personal collections of historical material, St George Historical Society Bulletins, Canterbury and District Historical Society Newsletters and Journals, and Hurstville Historical Society Newsletters.

We have undertaken additional research at the State Archives, Globe Street, Sydney and at Kingswood Library, Mitchell Library and State Library, Fisher Library, University of Sydney, Land Titles Office, and at the Local Studies Centres at Lakemba (Canterbury Municipality), Rockdale and Marrickville.

During the process, we have attended meetings with the executive of the Wolli Creek Preservation Society, interviewed some long-time local residents (and listed the names of others who may assist with reminiscences), and liaised with the archaeologist.

While obviously there may be some references which we have not located, we are confident that the bibliography is as nearly complete as is possible at this time.

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**Introduction**

**WOLLI CREEK** winds its slow, meandering way through the inner suburbs of southern Sydney, the most densely settled and industrialised region of Australia's largest city. Its green valley is a peaceful island in a sea of brick and tar.

Aboriginal occupation of this riverine environment predates European settlement by many thousands of years. Fresh water was a rare thing across the flat, estuarine expanses between Botany Bay and Port Jackson, but it was plentiful at Wolli Creek. There was abundant wildlife; there were fish, edible water plants, swimming holes and cool shady sandstone rock shelters tucked into the valley's sharp walls.

We know from recent archaeological surveys that occupation sites and other places of significance to Aboriginal people still exist in the valley. The word 'wolli' is said to mean 'camping place' in the Aboriginal language of the area. But until now our knowledge of its European history was fragmentary and incomplete.

The Valley's fringing bushland has rapidly shrunk over recent decades as our western needs have become more rapacious. The links between city people and the land have been eroded. Poor planning and a poor understanding of the many values our remnant bushland offers have taken their ugly toll on our urban landscapes, sometimes leaving entire suburbs without any bush at all.

The hunting and gathering has ceased; the sounds of saws and axes long gone. The cattle's lowing has been replaced by the friendly rattle of the railway, and the Chinese market gardens have been washed away by floods. Today, when environmental quality is of primary social concern, the valley faces its most devastating threat: the M5 motorway.

In inner southern Sydney the Wolli Creek Valley marks the last stand of the local bush, the last remaining example of the natural ecosystems of the region.

For future generations of Sydneysiders the valley can—with political will and care—continue to provide an outdoor teaching and recreational resource of inestimable value.

Today, despite the inexorable lean of development upon its edges the valley remains a green and quiet place, well patronised by those privy to its charms. Since at least the 1960s, committed local residents have fought with great dedication for its preservation. In 1992 the battle continues, the threats remain, and calls for the area’s protection grow ever more strident and better informed. Roads can be built anywhere. Another Wolli Creek Valley cannot be made.

In 1989 the Wolli Creek Preservation Society sought the support and financial assistance of both the State and Federal governments, via an application to the National Estate Grants Program, to compile an inventory of historical resources found within the valley. Given the threats to the area’s physical condition it was of crucial importance, the Society believed, that this task be completed without delay.

The application was successful in securing a grant of $10,500. The funds were spent between July and February 1991 employing consultants to compile the attached volumes. The Society was fortunate in selecting three people who have produced results well above the standard that would normally be expected for the rewards available.

The two scholarly works following, a bibliography of historical source material on the Wolli Creek Valley, compiled by Brian Madden and Lesley Muir, and an archaeological report documenting sites of European historical importance prepared by Graham Wilson, add significantly to our knowledge of this precious place.

When their findings are combined with the well-documented botany and birdlife of the valley the heavy weight of evidence supporting its permanent conservation becomes commanding.

Thanks are also extended to those members of the Wolli Creek Preservation Society and the local community who assisted in the compilation of these reports, to Gavin Gatenby for getting the ball rolling, to Bradley Fitzmaurice for his assistance during the consultant selection process, and to the NSW Department of Planning for funding and supporting the project.

It is my sincere hope that from these volumes will arise a definitive history of the Wolli Creek Valley, a permanently preserved bush park, and an outdoor learning place for the people of southern Sydney.

**Martin Smith**

**Project Co-ordinator (1992)**
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REPORTS, MONOGRAPHS and JOURNAL ARTICLES

REPORTS


Evidence of Mahroot in the Report.


Appendices describe some pig and poultry farms in the Wolli Creek Valley.

New South Wales. Legislative Assembly. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works. Report, together with minutes of evidence, appendices and plans, relating to the proposed railway from Marrickville to the Burwood Road. Sydney, Government Printer, 1890. 90p. plans.

Evidence of H.T. Sanderson and Myles McRae on Sanderson's line of railway; an alternative to the Bankstown line which was surveyed along the Wolli Creek Valley. N.S.W. Legislative Assembly. Votes and proceedings 1890, v.6.


Major report on the state of Cooks River and its tributaries. Gives a great deal of evidence about the polluted state of Wolli Creek, especially the evidence of Mary Campbell and D'Arcy Bucknell. N.S.W. Legislative Assembly. Votes and proceedings 1896.
New South Wales. Legislative Assembly. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works. Report together with minutes of evidence and plan relating to the proposed railway from Tempe to East Hills. 1924.

Examines the initial proposal to build a line from Tempe to Salt Pan Creek, which was amended to extend across Salt Pan Creek to East Hills, describes the proposed line, gives its estimated cost, revenue and expenditure, and recommends its construction.

N.S.W. Legislative Assembly. Votes and proceedings 1924. Ordered to be printed 27 August 1924.


v.94 p.3815 20/12/1923 Initial recommendation
v.113 p.449-51 9/5/1928 Loan Estimates
v.113 p.602 15/5/1928 Question
v.114 p.317 25/9/1928 Question
v.114 p.875 18/10/1928 Question

New South Wales. Parliament. The Tempe to East Hills Railway Act (Geo. V. No.62, 1924)

First Reading of the Bill was moved in the Legislative Assembly at 4.00am on 12 December 1924, the Second Reading came on at 5.12am on 17 December 1924, and the Bill passed through the remaining stages and the House passed to the next business at 5.27am. The Legislative Council dealt with the Bill on the same date. The Governor gave his assent to the Act on 23 December 1924. (Funds were not provided until 11 April 1928.)

226 p. ill., maps, plans.

10 leaves. diags.
Sydney area transportation study [Director of the study team, R.S. Nielsen].
Sydney, [1974].
4v. diags., maps, tables.

Contents: v.1 Base year (1971) data report. v.2 Travel model development and forecasts. v.3 Passenger transport systems. v.4 Freight transport systems. Various references to transport proposals, some affecting the Wolli Creek Valley, including the F5 freeway and the Tempe-East Hills line to Glenfield.

Pollution and management of the Cooks River and its tributaries Sydney, State Pollution Control Commission, 1974.

Cooks River Valley study programme Sydney, Pak-Pok and Associates for the New South Wales Planning and Environment Commission, April 1978.


References to Wolli Creek include pages 1, 8, 15, 17, 57, 59, 64-69, 73-74, 83, 85, 114-115, 121, 133-134. Available from New South Wales Department of Planning.

Cooks River landscape inventory: submissions by community groups July 1979.
Available from New South Wales Department of Planning.


4v. ill., maps (some col.)

Contents: v.1 Containers. v.2 Criteria for evaluation. v.3 Criteria for evaluation. v.4 The options.

New South Wales. Department of Public Works. *Cooks River Flood Study* by Cameron McNamara. [Sydney], the Department, February 1985.
33p., 15 leaves of maps. (Report / New South Wales. Dept. of Public Works; no. PWD 84019)

References to Wolli Creek include pages 1-1, 1-2, 2-1, 3-1, 3-4, 4-6, 5-1, 5-6, 6-1, 7-4, Appendix A-1 - A-3. Available from Public Works Department.

Ill., maps.

2 reports. ill., maps.


New South Wales. Department of Main Roads. *F5 Freeway: King Georges Road to Heathcote Road. Working papers* Parramatta, N.S.W., The Department, 1985.
1v. ill., maps.

100p. 44 leaves of plates, ill. (some col.), maps.

New South Wales. Department of Main Roads. *F5 Freeway: King Georges Road to Heathcote Road. Environmental Impact Assessment, Report pursuant to Clause 64 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 1980.* Parramatta, N.S.W., The Department, July 1986.
5.


Main road development until the year 2000. Includes construction of the F5 Freeway.

New South Wales. Department of Main Roads South Western Sydney Road Corridor Study. Analysis of Link between King Georges Road Beverly Hills and Campbell Road St Peters. An invitation to comment. Parramatta, N.S.W., The Department, 1988.

Sets out a number of options for road improvements in the area or a road link, and seeks comments.


Available from Public Works Department


Also individual comments on the Environmental Impact Statement:


"The vegetation of the Wolli Creek Valley has significance for conservation of species and plant communities far beyond that indicated in the Environmental Impact Statement". "Exceptionally important remnant".
Canterbury Local Studies Centre, Lakemba


Canterbury Local Studies Centre, Lakemba
6p. ill. (col), map.

Summary of EIS, advice that EIS may be purchased and invitation to comment.

New South Wales. Roads and Traffic Authority. **F5 Freeway Moorebank Avenue, Moorebank to King Georges Road, Beverly Hills, Environmental Impact Assessment, Report pursuant to Clause 64 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 1980** [Sydney], The Authority, February 1991.

Canterbury Local Studies Centre, Lakemba.

Cooks River Total Catchment Management Committee **Cooks River Draft Total Catchment Management Action Plan** Sydney, Soil Conservation Service of NSW, 1991.
2v. ill., maps.

Contents: v.1 Summary Report. v.2 Task Group Reports. Major parks and reserves on Wolli Creek and Bardwell Creek on pp 66-67. Map showing tributaries on p 154.
Produced by Soil Conservation Service of NSW, but now available from Water Board.

Cover and 3p., plus 1p. sheet for comment.

Very brief notes on economic planning alternatives.

Very brief notes on present transport modes used in the study area, and possible future transport packages.

Very brief notes on transport improvements, which after community consultation, have broad community support, and rail and freeway options which are supported by some groups.
MONOGRAPHS


Has many references to Cooks River and the Southern and Western Suburbs Ocean Outfall Sewer, but only minor references to Wolli Creek.

Banks, Joseph The Endeavour journal of Joseph Banks 1768-1771

On page 60, referring to 4 May 1770, Banks wrote that he went "ashore on the NW side of the bay". He reported that the place resembled "our moors in England". Comments concerning references in Cook's Journals apply here also.


Various references to Wolli Creek in chapters on the vegetation of Sydney and the future of Sydney's bushland. (Photos of Girrahween Park and from Nanny Goat Hill)


Refers to Bradley's exploration of Cooks River in December 1789 (p 184), but there is no description of what might be Wolli Creek.


As the history of an area near Wolli Creek Valley, this book provides useful background reading.
Cook, James The Journals of Captain James Cook on his voyages of discovery. v.1 The voyage of the Endeavour 1768-1771

Pages 304-313 of Cook's Journal, cover the period of the stay of the Endeavour in Botany Bay from 29 April to 6 May, 1770. There are no apparent references to what might be Wolli Creek; the references to the river off Botany Bay may refer to either Georges River or Cooks River.


Excellent source of information on the natural history of the Cooks River and Wolli Creek Valleys.

Eardley, Gifford H. The early history of the Wolli Creek Valley [Rockdale], St George Historical Society, [196-?] 25p. ill. (St George Historical Society Book no.1)

Excellent reference work.

Eardley, Gifford H. Our heritage in stone [Rockdale], St George Historical Society, 1970. 22p. ill (St George Historical Society Book no.5)

Written descriptions and sketches of houses and buildings in the district, including many in the Wolli Creek valley. Excellent reference work.

1 cassette + songbook.


The entry for 19 January 1788 (p33) ".... the River at the NW side of the bay which we went up for about 6 miles, finding the country low & boggy & no appearance of fresh water...." refers to Cooks River but not Wolli Creek.
1v. (University of New South Wales. Water Research Laboratory Technical Reports, no. 78/7)

Friends of Wolli Creek *The battle of the Wolli Creek Valley: a brief history.* 

Detailed list of the developments affecting Wolli Creek Valley from 1947. 
Canterbury Local Studies Centre, Lakemba

1 folded sheet (5p) ill, map

Anti-freeway publicity brochure.

Geeves, Phillip and Jervis, James, *Rockdale, its beginning and development* [Rockdale, N.S.W.), Municipal Council of Rockdale, 1954. 
206p. ill., maps, ports.

Background material. There is no index but mention can be found of A. B. Spark, Reuben and David Hannam, Arncliffe, etc, but references to Wolli Creek are not obvious.

Halt the environmental vandalism in the Botany Bay region! 
Earlwood, Wolli Creek Preservation Society, [1989?] 
2p. ill

Anti-freeway publicity brochure.

224p. ill., maps.

Similar in scope to Aird.

96p. ill (some col), sketches, burial list.

As the Church of England parish church for the Wolli Creek Valley at one time, this church is of particular relevance to the history of the area. The burial list contains the names of many former residents.


Refers to Hunter's survey in September 1789 of Botany Bay, including his exploration of a river (now Cooks River), but no mention of Wolli Creek. Map "Chart of the Coast between Botany Bay and Broken Bay surveyed in 1788 and 1789 by Captain John Hunter" shows Cooks River but not Wolli Creek.


A 1868 proposal to dam Cooks River at the Wolli Creek junction to provide a water supply for Sydney is mentioned on p 30, and the Wolli Creek sub-main of the Sydney sewerage system is mentioned on p 54. Index by Lesley Muir held in Canterbury Municipal Library.


Quotations from primary sources are accurate, but conclusions are of doubtful historical value.


Background material only.


Describes a journey to Hannah Laycock's farm in 1810.
Madden, B.J. *Tempe-East Hills railway*. Hurstville, N.S.W., Hurstville Historical Society, c1981.
47p. ill.

The result of extensive research, this comprehensive history of the Tempe-East Hills Railway refers to the greatest single event for change in the Wolli Creek Valley, and covers the district between 1922 and 1981.

62p. ill, maps, ports.

The history of the area on the Canterbury side of Wolli Creek. This book contains excellent background material and many references to Wolli Creek.

9p. ill.

Introductory history of the area. Contains some references to Wolli Creek.


Plans with the report cover Wolli Creek between Bexley Road and Turrella. Report includes the present state of the reserves along the Creek, attention required for each area, description of vegetation, native plant and weed plant species recorded in September 1983 by Graham Quint, gully species for planting adjacent to creek, and migratory birds recorded in the Cooks River catchment. Copy with Wolli Creek Preservation Society.


Plans with the report cover Wolli Creek from Turrella to Tempe. Report includes site description and evaluation, native plant and weed plant species recorded in June 1984 by Graham Quint, and native plant species recorded in the area covered by the supplementary report but not recorded for original survey area. Copy with Wolli Creek Preservation Society.
National Trust of Australia (NSW) Bush Management Program, Annual Report

Refers to Girrahween Park, Nanny Goat Hill and Wo1i Creek track.
Held Canterbury Central Library, Campsie and Canterbury Local
Studies Centre, Lakemba.

North, A. J. Nests and eggs of birds found breeding in Australia and Tasmania
Facsimile ed. [Sydney], Australian Museum and Oxford University
v.1. 366p, ill., plates.

Reference on p94 to birds observed near Wolli Creek in 1883.

Phillip, Arthur The voyage of Governor Phillip to Botany Bay: with an account
of the establishment of the colonies of Port Jackson and Norfolk Island
Facsimile ed. London, 1789. Republished Adelaide, Libraries Board of
South Australia, 1968
79p. 55 plates, 8 maps and charts.

On pages 45 and 51 there are references to explorations of Botany
Bay, and possible descriptions of Cooks River and Georges River but
not of Wolli Creek.

Rankin, Neil, Birds of Wolli Creek. Illustrations by Gavin Gatenby,
Wolli Creek Preservation Society, 1989.
43p. ill.

Summarises nearly 50 years of birdwatching in the Wolli Creek valley

Robinson, Les, The trees of Wolli Creek, Wolli Creek Preservation Society,
1987.
16p. ill.

Photograph on page 101 is titled "Western Suburbs Sewage Carriers" and the accompanying [sic] text says the "illustration represents the substantial type of aqueduct provided in the crossing of Cooks River and Wolli Creek and the flats in the vicinity." The photograph on p103 is "Western Suburbs Main Sewers" and the text says that the carriers "are supported on a series of arches to ensure stability across the soft, low-lying lands traversed before reaching Arncliffe". Marrickville Local Studies Centre.

Scrivener, P. Brian, *Freeway noise and you: the hidden story*  
An address given by P Brian Scrivener, environmental noise consultant and member of the Australian Acoustical Society, to a public meeting convened by the Wolli Creek Preservation Society Inc. at Bardwell Park on 26 June 1990. Earlwood Wolli Creek Preservation Society, 1990. 4p. ill.


Edited version of Spark's *Diary*. Many local references have been cut, but useful for the very full explanatory footnotes.

Spearritt, Peter, *Sydney since the twenties*, Sydney, Hale and Iremonger, 1978. 294p, ill., maps  
General background to the growth of Sydney this century. Mentions the Tempe-East Hills railway.


Walk 5 is "The thin green line: Wolli Creek".

**Support the fight to save Wolli Creek Valley from Bulldozer Baird and the freeway fools.** Earlwood, Wolli Creek Preservation Society, 1990. 2p, ill. map

Anti-freeway publicity brochure.
Willey, Keith, *When the sky fell down: The destruction of the tribes of the Sydney region 1788-1850* Sydney, Collins, 1979. 231p. ill. (some col.), map

Helpful background to the period, without referring specifically to the Wolli Creek Valley. Mentions the activities of Tedbury, son of Pemulwy. Also refers to Mahroot, otherwise known as the Boatswain, who was born at Cooks River about 1796 and was the last survivor of the Botany Bay tribe.


A book about the tramway services to Cooks River, Earlwood, Dulwich Hill and Canterbury. Includes text and two photographs from NSW Government Railways of the Wolli Creek Per-Way Yard.

Winston, Denis, *Sydney's great experiment: the progress of the Cumberland County plan*, Sydney, Angus and Robertson, 1957. 146 p. ill., maps (some col.)

Wolli Creek Park: a vision for the future. Earlwood, Wolli Creek Preservation Society. [1988?]

8p. ill, map

"A policy discussion paper"


8p, map.


The statement and leaflet outline an extension of the Campbelltown-East Hills-Tempe line from Turrella to the Airport, industrial area and CBD as an alternative to the F5 Freeway, and upgrading of the Botany-Enfield line.
JOURNAL ARTICLES

Barnes, Audrey J. The King Family and the Perry Family of Wolli Creek, Canterbury and District Historical Society Journal, Series 2 no.11.

These families had pig and poultry farms on either side of Wolli Creek between Bardwell Park and Bexley North Stations, from about the turn of the century until the coming of the Tempe to East Hills Railway. The author is a descendant of the King family, and she details life in the valley, mentioning other families associated with the creek.


Discusses Cook’s references to meadows on the shores of Botany Bay and concludes that the river mentioned was more likely to be Georges River than Cooks River. Copy of Cooks chart of Botany Bay on p268.


Mentions the death by drowning in Wolli Creek on 2 August 1868 of George Peare. The Coroner’s report found that the deceased committed suicide. (SMH 5/8/1868)

Eardley, Gifford, Early settlements of Wolli Creek, St George Historical Society Bulletin, April 1964.

Brief and useful description of the valley and its early history.

Eardley, Gifford Kingsgrove Baptist Church, St George Historical Society Bulletin, October 1965.

Useful background to the history of the area.


Valuable summary of the history of Tempe, Arncliffe and Wolli Creek

A detailed article describing the early houses in this street and their occupants.


Detailed history of the Waitara Heights subdivision.


Description of a walk along Forest Road, Arncliffe, with historical details for sites and buildings (continuation not found).


Information about the Chinese Market gardeners who settled along Wolli Creek and other parts of the district after the gold—rushes, their places of residence and their gardens.


Informative description of a journey from Arncliffe through Bardwell Park to Bexley North as it was about 1910, with historical details of houses and farms.


Description of the flora and fauna of the Wolli Creek valley, and especially of Girrahween Park.


Excellent description of the current and past in the area of Turrella Station.

Detailed description of the Wolli Creek Valley in the vicinity of Bardwell Creek.


Detailed description of the changes which have occurred in the Wolli Creek Valley between Tempe and Turrella. Includes information about the Bucknell family and their house "Avondale" (at one period also known as "Willowdene"), with further comments by R M Clark. Sketch of "Avondale", 2/1975 issue.

Eardley, G.H. (Gifford), *The Valley of Stoney Creek, Bexley, N.S.W.* St George Historical Society Bulletin, September 1979.

Brief description as at the early 1900s of what is now known as Bardwell Creek.


Explanation for stone ruins found in Wolli Creek Valley, near Bexley North Station, on land owned by Andrew Murray Bowen. (The name "Bowen's Camp" was coined by the author).


Background material on early land owners.


Useful chronology.

Describes some of the edible native fruits which once abounded in the district, including the Wolli Creek valley, and were used by the early settlers and the young boys of later generations.


Useful biography of David Hannam who became a prominent figure in the Arncliffe District after he and his father received land grants in there [sic] 1825.


Biographical article about the owner of Tempe House


Detailed background to the position in the Municipality of West Botany prior to the Royal Commission and to the inspections in 1883 including D.Chappelow’s poultry farm in Arncliffe Street, David Tuck’s establishment on Wolli Creek, Henry Nelson’s establishment nearby and Henry Latham’s piggery and boiling down works near the Illawarra Railway.


Biography of Dr Wazir Beg, after whom the street is named.


Refers to 1983 survey of Wolli Creek Valley by Graham Quint, National Trust surveyor, and the finding of gallery rainforest and sandstone blocks near Bexley Road.

*St George in 1894*, [Reprint of newspaper article], St George Historical Society Bulletin, October 1965.

Useful background to the history of the area.

Describes Bardwell Creek from its source near Hurstville Railway Station flowing in a north easterly direction to Croydon Road, through Bexley Golf Course and then on into Wolli Creek. A map shows the course of the stream.


Block diagram of the valley from Tempe to Narwee. Description of the geography of the valley, and some historical information which requires further checking.


Description of Wolli Creek when the author was a boy, including swimming holes and Chinese market gardens.


Refers to the 1861 subdivision of Reuben and David Hannam's land at Turrella and Arncliffe, early streets including Arncliffe Street, and early residences.


Describes the repairs undertaken in 1947, and 1950-1952. Panoramic photographs of "Wolli Creek Aqueduct Looking Downstream" and "Cook's River Aqueduct".
Wolli Creek Preservation Society, Wolli Creek Update No 1 March 1987+Irregular
MANUSCRIPTS

New South Wales State Archives

Surveyor's fieldbooks [Microfilm] AO SZ860, SZ884, SZ887

Field book 23 James Meehan
21/10/1804 Survey of Mrs Hannah Laycock's 500 acres, south side of Cooks River. Mentions the "Stream of ponds" and tributary gullies.

25/11/1807 Survey of Laycock's 500 acres. Starts from "a red gum tree marked on the bank of a run of ponds of fresh water" on the eastern side of King's Grove. Ends at "Centre of water in edge of br. [brush] on the western side of the farm.

5/4/1808 Further survey of above, crossing the "Head of a run of ponds"

Field book 61 James Meehan
25/9/1809 Survey of John Townson's 250 acres. Crosses the "wr. of ponds".

23/9/1809 Survey of Cooks River mangroves, island, and "Smith's Wharf" near the entrance to Wolli Creek.

Field book 90 James Meehan
4/5/1812 Survey of farms for "Wriley" and Thos. Sylvester. "Small oak as Wriley's cor[ner] the land good to there - at 51.20 a high ledge of Rocks above the Creek ... Thos Sylvester bounded by 49 of Mrs Laycock's farm and the Ponds".

10/5/1821 Survey of farms west of Kings Grove. At the ponds on Charles Watson's 80 acres "Thick Tea Tree Brush ... main drain nearly shut up, a bad flat swept with floods".

Records relating to Land Grants

Letters to the Colonial Secretary re land [Microfilm] AO Reels 1068-70

Chandler, James A.O. 2/7823 (Reel 1109)

Letter 31/7590 James Chandler to the Colonial Secretary naming his new estate "Bexley", and asking for the grants of Winifred Flaherty and John Riley to be included in the surveyor's measurement of his 1200 acre grant. Mentions the felling of timber on one of the 30 acre grants.

Letter 31/8520 T.L. Mitchell, Surveyor General to the Colonial Secretary 18 October 1831. Reply to James Chandler's claim.
Ebhart, Frederic Charles A.O. 2/7850 (Reel 1123)
Letter 36/2138 Frederic Charles Ebhart to the Colonial Secretary
8 March 1836 re a boundary fence on lot no.6 "in the Wolli Creek".

See also A.O. Map 2220 in Maps section of bibliography.

Martin, Arthur A.O. 4/1822
Petition no.211, Martin to Governor Macquarie. Has been in the Colony
fourteen years, and is at present an Overseer [of limeburners] in the
employ of Government. Has a large family. Asks for return of his
leased house on West Rocks, and his hundred acre grant of land
[at Cooks River].

Thorp, Joshua. 1028-1835.
4 letters and annotations, map.

Request for grant at Cooks River, adjoining Arthur Martin's land. Martin
had cleared 6 or 7 acres of it. Map shows the land at the junction of
Cooks River and a creek (i.e. Wolli Creek).

 Colonial Secretary. Census [Manuscript]
1828 Census. Householders' returns, Botany Bay District
1841 Census. Householders' returns, Parish of St George

Electoral Rolls, 1842-64 [microform]; Certificates of publicans' licences,
1830-61; 1828 census householders' returns / Archives Authority of
New South Wales. Sydney, the Authority, [1986].

Contains the licence details of The Yorkshireman's Coat of Arms (Bold
Forester) and the Mitre Tavern. The 1859 Electoral Roll lists "Wallace
Creek" as the address of Wolli Creek residents.

Returns of Free Settlers and other Free Persons to receive
List no.2 12 June 1811
no.63. Jno. Riley. Present residence: Botany Bay No. of acres: 30,
Botany Bay.

1814 Supplementary list no.8.
Arthur Martin. Present residence: Sydney Recommended by: Secretary
of State. No of acres: 100. Remarks: Has a large family.

1816
no.253. John Perks. Present residence: Sydney Recommended by: Dr
Harris. No of acres: 50. Remarks: Married with a large family.

no.300. John Reilley. Present residence: Cady Hawks, No. of acres: 30
near Cooks River (an old location by Col.P.) Remarks: is not to receive
a grant unless he goes to reside on his lands.
1818

15/3/1827
no.29 Edward Flood. 60 acres, Cooks River

28/8/1828
no.14 Maria Briley. 30 acres, Cooks River

Special Bundle. Roads through Petersham [Manuscript] AO 4/7168
Letter 28/8283 Petition to Governor Darling from Settlers and grantees of land, Parish of St George, Cooks River, that a road may be confirmed through the Petersham Estate.

Letter 29/4645 Letter from Joshua Thorp on the same subject.

Lands Department. Road Files [Manuscript] AO 10/15032+
AO 10/15037
Petitions to upgrade the funding for maintenance of New Illawarra Road. 1866-1868.

Signed by the inhabitants of the district near the road.

AO 10/15039

Includes Map of Tempe Estate, 1859, which shows location of fences and swamps along Wolli Creek. Also contains petition from local inhabitants, and letter from W.W. Bucknell. (Establishment of road parallel to Wolli Creek, including Arncliffe Street and Hannam Street)

AO 10/15042
Obstruction of Wollongong Road. 1869-70.

Describes the decline in traffic on Wollongong Road after the opening of "a better route".

AO 10/15187
Alignment of Homer, Sharp and William Streets. 1884.

Surveyor's reports on the terrain and on existing encroachments of houses and fences.

After about 1884, Road Files are not as descriptive, and contain little information about buildings, fences and land use.
Other Manuscripts


The complete version of Spark's diary, which was published in edited form as Respectable Sydney Merchant: A.B. Spark of Tempe. Contains much more local detail than the published version. Of particular interest are accounts of walks to "St George's Fountain" (Wolli Creek & Bardwell Creek), and Lesslie [Leslie] Duguid clearing his "Ballater" property, and fighting bush fires there.
ML A4869


Account of a journey from Liverpool to Mr Sparke's house (Tempe). He crossed Cooks River at Canterbury, and travelled through Earlwood and Arncliffe. Good description of the country and its inhabitants. (p.49-53)
ML A3816


Description of the country surrounding Cooks River, including the scenery from the Undercliffe hill looking over the Wolli Creek valley. Written by a clergyman of St Peter's, Cooks River. (p.35-36)
ML MSS 1595

Richardson and Wrench Contract Books 1858 - 1936

A collection of newspaper advertisements of property sales, annotated with buyer of property and price paid.
ML A4509-4700

A4009 p.152

A4515 p.300
28/9/1868 33ac 2r 27p and 12ac 3r, at the junction of the Illawarra Road and a road leading to Wolli Creek, together with those premises known as the Mitre Tavern.

A4518 p.875

A4522 p.181
2/7/1875 Neat well finished weatherboard cottage, Old Illawarra Road, in the occupation of Rev. J. Done. Account of Mrs Hannam.
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A4536 p.1320
20/2/1885 Ballater Estate. Very large frontage to Wolli Creek. Account of Edward Bradridge.

A4537 p.578
28/4/1885 Lurline Villa, with 10 acres of ground, orchard and garden, having a large frontage to Homer Street. Account of G. Jefferies. [John Burton's property?].

A4538 p.1086

A4541 p.330
1/3/1887 7ac 1r at Kingsgrove. Account of Mrs Jane Ann Tompson.

A4541 p.1100
29/7/1887 7ac 1r at Kingsgrove, bounded by a continuation of the Kingsgrove Road and Wolli Creek. Account of Mrs Jane Ann Tompson.


Of particular interest are mentions of the track being constructed through piggeries at a number of places. Available from SRA Archives

The Concreting of Wolli Creek ca.1986.

A collection of press cuttings from local and city newspapers, unsourced and undated. Canterbury Local Studies Centre, Lakemba.

Wolli Creek Valley, West Botany, possibly by Gifford Eardley. [ca.196-?] Brief typed article, perhaps unpublished, describing the valley and its residents, probably in the first thirty years of this century. Eardley Series "H" file, Local Studies Centre, Rockdale
Sketch of the Arncliffe-Turrella area from Wolli Creek to Rocky Point Road, with the notation "As I remember it in 1895" possibly by Gifford Eardley. [ca.196-?] Shows land uses, and names of residents.

Eardley Series "A" file, Local Studies Centre, Rockdale


Refers to Buildings including Tempe House, "Forsythe" 57 Hannam Street Turrella and "Mill Cottage" 29/31 John Street Arncliffe, and to areas of significant natural beauty including Stott's Reserve, Bardwell Valley Reserve, and Cooks River.
LH 39/1, Local Studies Centre, Rockdale.


Excerpts in Canterbury Local Studies Centre, Lakemba.

Water Board, Sydney Sydney Sewerage System Main Sewer Aqueduct over Wolli Creek. Proposal to National Trust (NSW) to classify the aqueduct. February 1988.

Gives a brief history and a detailed description of the sewer aqueduct.

Historical Research Unit, Water Board, Sydney

Wolli Creek Information Kit prepared by Wolli Creek Preservation Society. 1990.

"The hidden story: freeway noise and you". An address by P. Brian Scrivener to a public meeting convened by the Wolli Creek Preservation Society, 26/6/1990.
"Birds of Wolli Creek".
"Eyes on Wolli Creek".
"Trees of Wolli Creek".
"The concreting of Wolli Creek".
"A Rail Strategy for the Sydney Region".

LH 43, Local Studies Centre, Rockdale

Contents:
"Twenty Facts about the Wolli Creek Valley". Friends of Wolli Creek, February 1989. 2p.
"The Wolli Creek Valley" by Sacha Taylor. Friends of Wolli Creek, 7 June 1989. 3p.
Map of Wolli Creek Valley showing points of interest. 1985.
"List of both native plants and weeds of Wolli Creek Valley" by Graham Quint. Extract from the Bushland Survey prepared by the National Trust for Canterbury Council, September 1983. 6p.
Extracts from Theses and Reports on Plant Communities of the Salt Marshes of the Sydney Region, Wolli Creek Estuarine Wetlands, the Mangroves of Wolli Creek Sydney, Birds of Wolli Creek and Bardwell Valley area, and site survey of Wolli Creek Valley by students of Tranby Aboriginal Co-operative College.
Membership form.

Suggested Additional Reading:

*2. "Bushland survey by National Trust for Canterbury Council" 7/1984 (Turrella to Tempe).
*3. "Wolli Creek - An Ecological Study" by Des Mahoney. (Thesis for P.M.C.U. 111 for Ryde School of Horticulture c1985)
*4. "The Early History of the Wolli Creek Valley" by Gifford Eardley.

LH 40, Local Studies Centre, Rockdale
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MAPS

Sketch shewing [sic] the road now used by the inhabitants of Cooks River & part of the marked line towards Liverpool with a branch to Cooks River [Map] [S.A. Perry?], surveyor. 1831.
1 surveyor's sketch.

Accompanies letters 31/362 Col. Sec. and 31/169 Sr. Gen. (See also AO 4/7168)
AO X751 Surveyor's sketchbooks v.1

1 surveyor's sketch.

Accompanies letter 31/378. Establishes the accurate course of Wolli Creek.
AO X751 Surveyor's sketchbooks v.1

Survey of the vacant land in the Parish of Saint George divided into farms of 100 acres each as requested by Col. Secy. Letter No.34/337 [Map] J.Larmer [surveyor], Novr. 22nd 1834.
1 surveyor's sketch, ca. 20 x 30 cm.

Shows the allotments between Cooks River and "Woolli Creek" from Thorp's property to the Laycock farms (i.e. Undercliffe to Bexley Road), and the location of tracks, huts and some comments on vegetation. Earliest map notation of the name of Woolli Creek to date.
AO Map 2220

Field plan of the Kingsgrove homestead [Map] 24 July 1841.
1 map. col.

Shows the northern portion of the subdivision of Hannah Laycock's 500 acre grant, from Wolli Creek to William Street. Tracks, hut and orchard shown.
ML ZM2 811.1851/1841/1

Kings Grove, 36 allotments, part of the estate of the late Simeon Lord Esqre., to be sold by auction by Mr Stubbs, on the 17th Augt. 1841. Surveyed by Chas. Wilson. [Sydney], W. Baker, 1841.
1 plan.

ML ZM2 811.1851/1841/3
Lord's Allotments in the Parish of St George  [Map]
1841. 1 map.

Shows the subdivision of Hannah Laycock's 120a and 500a grants, and Townson's 250a. Gives location of tracks, hut, “Woolli Creek”. ML Map M2 811. 1853/1841/1

Plan Village of Arncliffe  [Map] [1844?]
1 Manuscript chart

Land advertised for sale in the Sydney Morning Herald, July 10, 1844, p.3., with manuscript additions to 4/3/1874.

ML ZM3 811.1851/1844/1

1 map. col.

Wanstead, Ballater, Tempe and Undercliff [sic] boundaries. Shows extent of swamp at the junction of Cooks River and Wolli Creek, fences, garden, houses, roads, and Unwin's Bridge.

ML Map M2 811.1851/1847/1

Grant of 1200 acres to James Chandler. J.Garsed, Bexley Farms Roberts, survey.[Map] [1854?]

1 surveyor's tracing.

From Wolli Creek to Rocky Point Road, near Pile Street to "Intended New Illawarra Road".

ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.

Plan of the Tempe Estate  [Map]     Sydney, Allan & Wigley, 1859. 1 map.

Shows some purchasers, adjacent grantees, and Tempe House. ML Z M2 811.1851/1859/2

Plan of the Tempe Estate  [Map]
1859. 1 subdivision plan

Shows Woolli (sic) Creek, Cooks River, Tempe House, Main road to Illawarra, Illawarra Street, Arncliffe Street, Bonar Street, Sparke Street, Water Street. Auction sale 8/4/1859

ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes
Coventry, Parish of St George. Part of Sylvester's Grant  [Map] [186-]
1 surveyor's tracing
Subdivision of the southern part of Sylvester's grant along New Illawarra Road, before 1863. This subdivision was abandoned, but the stone walls along Wolli Creek may date back to this period.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Arncliffe Estate Salamon's Subdivision  [Map] [1860?]
1 surveyors plan.
Sections I-1X. High road from Sydney to Wollongong, Barden's Public House, Hirst Street, Dowling Street, Gipps Street, Stanley Street, Wentworth Place, Wolli Street, Pitt Street, Cook Street, Mitchell Street. Hannam's land adjoins Woolli [sic] Creek and branch (? Bardwell Creek).
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

1 sheet (folded) ca. 90 x 60 cm.
"The quantities given are from deeds".
Survey of the subdivision of the northern half of the Kingsgrove Estate on 22/10/1863. Shows fences, buildings, watercourses and roads. Some later annotations.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes.

Plan of portion of the Bexley Estate situate on James Chandler's 1200 grant in the Parish of St George, County of Cumberland, N.S.W.  [Map] [1865?]
Gives owners and occupiers of properties, fences, some houses. From "Woolli Creek" to Rocky point Road.
ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.

Wincanton  [Map] 1866.
1 Surveyor's tracing.
From Rocky Point Road to Government Road (Wollongong Road). "Measurements to mangrove swamp bank at Cooks River"
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

T.A. Application of H. Warr, part of Polack's Grant  [Map] 1868.
1 surveyor's tracing.
An early blacksmith's property on the site of Earlwood shopping centre. Shows buildings, fences, roads.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes.
Bardwell Park [Map] [187-?]
1 subdivision plan.

Wolli Creek, Wollongong Road, Parliament Terrace, The Glen Road, Harrow Road; Arncliffe Road, Slade Road, Darley Road, Water Street, Pile Street, Wilson's Road, East Street, Pitt Street, Wolli Street, Nisi Prius Street. Bounded by Wolli Creek, Bexley Estate, Wollongong Road and various on east. Bardwell Creek through centre. Shows position of houses, chapel in Sparke Street, market gardens, and some owners' names.
ML Bardwell Park Subdivision boxes. Copy in Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

Plan of 110 allotments of land situate at Bexley near Cooks River, Parish of St George, the property of Mr T. Garsed [Map] [187-?]
1 surveyor's tracing.

Map incomplete, but extends from Wolli Creek to Rocky Point Road. Shows New Illawarra Road.
ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.

Alphington Park [Map] [1874]
1 subdivision plan.

Boundaries, Forest Road, Stoney Creek Road, New Illawarra Road, Bardwell Park and Wolli Creek. Subdivision into small farms.
ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.

Martin's 100a grant, Cooks River [Map] 1877.
1 surveyor's tracing.

Boundary survey from Cooks River to Wolli Creek. Shows swamp area and orchard.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Second unreserved sale of Alphington Park [Map] [1877?].
1 subdivision plan.

Boundaries, Forest Road, Stoney Creek Road, New Illawarra Road, Bardwell Park and Wolli Creek. Subdivision into small farms.
ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.
S.A. Jeeves  [Map] [188?]
1 surveyor's tracing.

Shows Arncliffe Street, and occupiers of land - Jeeves, Favell, Davis, Lilybridge. At the end of "Arncliff Street", shows a bridge over "Broadarrow Creek". Survey of section of Wolli Creek. ML Arncliffe subdivision boxes.

Survey of Lot 6 of J. Perks 50a  [Map] [188-?] 1 surveyor's tracing.

McKay (i.e. McCoy) owner. Part of the subdivision of 1879. ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Survey: Eastern portion, Kingsgrove Estate  [Map] [188-?] 1 surveyor's tracing.

The southern portion of the Kingsgrove Estate from Wolli Creek to Stoney Creek Road. Shows land ownership. ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Plot of railway, Mc Innes Subdivision  [Map] [1880?] 1 surveyor's tracing.

Detail of railway survey through Tempe House. Original alignment, passing close to the property.

1 subdivision plan.
"Between Cooks River and Georges River, about two miles beyond the Dam". Portions of Sections B, D and J, Alphington Park. Shows residence and outbuildings on lot 1, Stoney Creek Road. Sketch plan shows proposed stations on Illawarra Railway, houses, churches, and land owners in an area bounded by Cooks River, Wolli Creek, New Illawarra Road, Hurstville and Rocky Point Road. Sale 3/8/1881. ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.

Lynton Heights, Forest Road, West Botany  [Map] [1882?] 1 subdivision plan.

From Westminster Street to Sackville Street, Forest Road to Bay View and The Glen Roads. Local sketch shows the original surveyed route of the Illawarra Railway. ML Bexley Subdivision boxes
Harris Subdivision of Lot 4 to 24 Sec I. Bardwell Park [Map] [1882?]
1 surveyor's tracing.

Bardwell Creek surveyed through the centre of the land. Shows Pitt Street (The Glen Road), Nisi Prius and Harris Street, Arncliffe and Wilson Roads.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

Bardwell Park, Arncliffe [Map] [1882]
1 subdivision plan.

Subdivision plan of the above estate.
ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.

Botany View Estate, West Botany [Map] 1882
1 subdivision plan.

Wolli Creek Road and unnamed road. 12 x 1+ acre blocks and 4 x 2+ acre blocks, Davis house on south, T. Holt land on east. Auction sale 18/2/1882.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes

1 subdivision plan (lower half only - caption missing)

Kingdom, Sparke and Arncliffe Streets and the Avenue. Shows wharf at the end of Sparke Street, Cooks River Dam, railway in construction and proposed railway bridge. Also the location of Tempe House and outbuildings.
Small plan of the above also in box.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes. Complete copy in Rockdale Subdivision boxes.

Anderson's Land [Map] 1883
1 surveyor's tracing.

Shows outline of 23a 3r 0p owned by Anderson near Wolli Creek.
Barden's land adjoins.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Part of Thorpe's 30a grant, 5a 0r 27p to Wolli Creek [Map] 1883
1 surveyor's tracing.

ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes
Cintra Estate [Map] 1883.
1 subdivision plan

Shows the first subdivision of 24/2/1883, of land between New Illawarra Road (i.e. Homer Street) and William Street.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Canterbury [Map] Sydney, Higinbotham and Robinson, [1884]
1 map.

Shows grants, subdivisions, property owners, fences and location of houses in the Municipal District of Canterbury. Excellent source of information.
ML X981.11/6

Innesdale Estate, Cooks River [Map] 1884.
1 subdivision plan.

From Rocky Point Road to Illawarra Road, Ann Street to Fisher Street.
ML Rockdale Subdivision boxes.

Valuable Subdivision Arncliffe: Hannam Estate [Map] 1884
1 subdivision plan.

Hannam, Short, Henry, Cook, King, Queen, Mary, Denison and Loftus Streets. Gives names of property owners. Complete copy in Arncliffe Subdivision boxes, damaged copy in Turrella Subdivision boxes. Also smaller copy with picture of Arncliffe Station on verso, surrounded by open paddocks.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

Near Arncliffe [Map] 1884?
1 surveyor's tracing

Shows from Rocky Point Road to Wolli Creek. Shows Chinese gardens all along Arncliffe Street to Wolli Creek, also house occupied by Maxey.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

Grand View Estate near Arncliffe Station [Map] 1864?
1 subdivision plan.

Denison Street to Station Street, the Crescent and Mitchell Street.
ML Rockdale Subdivision boxes.
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Map shewing [sic] the country between Cooks & Georges Rivers including the localities known as Arncliffe, Rockdale, Kogarah, Hurstville, Sandringham, Sans Souci, Bexley & Gannons Forest also the Municipal District of West Botany situated in the Parish of St George County of Cumberland [Map]. Compiled from the latest official records in the Surveyor Generals & Registrar Generals Departments, & from numerous private sources. Sydney, Higinbotham, Robinson & Harrison, 1885.
1 sheet (folded), ca. 150 x 180 cm.

"The information on this sheet is charted as to date 1st January 1885". Shows property owners and lessees, subdivisions, and the location of some houses and fences on the south side of the Wolli Creek Valley. ML X981.1/6, 6a

1 subdivision plan.

Part of map only: shows Jacobs Street and "Main Road". Local plan shows Wolli Creek and land for sale.
ML Arncliffe subdivision boxes

Innesdale Heights [Map] 1885.
1 subdivision plan.

West Botany Street, Duncan and Kyle Streets, Rocky Point Road and Arncliffe Station. Shows location of quarry. Auction 28 November 1885. ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

Alston Park, Kingsgrove [Map] [1885?]
1 subdivision plan.

Woll Street to Laycock Street, Soudan Street to Edward Street. ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.

Section I, Bardwell Park Estate, Parish of St George [Map] 1885.
1 surveyor's tracing.

Tracing of Harris's land (see above, 1882). Blackwell, owner and occupier of land adjoining at the NW corner of Wolli Street and Arncliffe Road. Rough copy showing property owners also in box, and memo to Council Clerk, Rockdale, listing owners around the estate, dated 11/9/1891. ML Bardwell Park Subdivision boxes.
Mount Bardwell Estate Rockdale-Bexley [Map] 1885
1 subdivision plan.

Wolli Creek to Parliament Terrace, Darley Road west to New Illawarra Road. Annotated with some owners and locations, including Lambert Heights.
ML Bardwell'Park Subdivision boxes.

Bardwell Mount Arncliffe [Map] 1885
1 subdivision plan.

Darley Road, Wilson Street, Cross Street, Arncliffe Road, Pile Street, Moore Street, Harrow Road. Plan also shows Slade Road, Water Street. Auction sale 12/9/1885.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

Thos Curtis/Sam Reeves [Map] [1885]
1 surveyor's tracing.

Survey of Curtis's land, Wolli Creek, in Appn.6155.
ML Bardwell Park Subdivision boxes.

Canterbury [Map] Sydney, Higinbotham and Robinson, 1887
1 map.

Shows the Municipality of Canterbury, including subdivisions and roads existing at this date.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Part of John Perks 50 acres [Map] [189-?]
1 surveyor's tracing.

Surveyor's tracing of part of the subdivision of 1879. Shows houses, fences, roads.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Plan of lot no.5 Parks Estate [Map] [189-?]
1 surveyor's tracing.

Shows position of houses and fences.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes
Packer's and Hannam's grants  [Map] 1894.
  1 surveyor's tracing.

  Wolli Creek, Arncliffe, Hannam and Loftus Streets. Parts of Reuben Hannam's 100 acre grant and Tempe Estate (William Packer's 30 ac grant)
  ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes

Arncliffe. [Survey of the Town of Wincanton]  [Map] 1894.
  1 surveyor's tracing.

  Shows owners of land, fences, boundaries of swamp, Wolli Creek and Arncliffe Street.
  ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes

Cintra Estate  [Map] 1894.
  1 subdivision plan

  Later subdivision (March 1894), with larger allotments, of the land between Homer Street and William Street.
  ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Land included in Application no.10679  [Map] 1898
  1 surveyor's tracing.

  Surveyor's tracing of lot 9, Perks Grant 4a 2r 34 1/4p at Earlwood, above Wolli Creek. Map dated 24/3/1898.
  ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Appn. 12199 Parks's Grant  [Map] (190-?)
  1 surveyor's tracing.

  Shows houses, fences, roads.
  ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Canterbury, Thompson's Subdivision  [Map] (190-?)
  1 surveyor's tracing.

  Shows Homer Street between William Street and Wardell Road
  ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Roads through Undercliff [sic] Estate  [Map] (1904?)
  1 surveyor's tracing.

  Gives no details beyond road layout.
  ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes
1 subdivision plan

Homer Street, Richard Street, Morgan Street. Later plan of the 1883 subdivision.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes. Second copy in Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Unwin's Hill Estate, Tempe [Map] 1905.
1 subdivision plan col.

Undercliff Road, Wanstead Avenue, Unwin Street, Tempe Street and Bamboo Avenue. Auction sale 30/9/1905. Photograph of the view over the Wolli Creek Valley looking east to Botany Bay on verso.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Unwin's Hill Estate [Map] 1907.
1 subdivision plan col.

Resale plan of area within Undercliffe Road, Unwin's Bridge Road, Unwin Street and Wanstead Avenue.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Walker's Estate Arncliffe [Map] 1909
1 subdivision plan

ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

Arncliffe Street and Sparke Street [Map] [191?]
1 surveyor's tracing.

Shows Litho Plans 684 and 1643. Shows wharf at the end of Sparke Street, and bridge at Arncliffe Street.
ML Turrella Subdivision boxes.

Maylands Estate Arncliffe [Map] [191?]
1 subdivision plan

"20 choice building allotments, liberal depths. For private sale." Within a few minutes walk of railway station and the Arncliffe - Bexley tram.
East Street, Pitt Street, Cook Street, Wazir Street, Hirst Street.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.
The Bexley Farms  [Map]  [191?]  
1 subdivision plan.

"Only a few minutes' walk from the Bexley Tram and about 30 minutes' journey from Sydney. From Edward Street to Wolli Creek. ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.

1 subdivision plan.


1 subdivision plan.

Eddystone Road, Kingsland Road, Minorca Street, Ellerslie Road and Bardwell Creek. Sale 17/12/1910. ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

Forest Hill Estate  [Map]  1912.  
1 subdivision plan.

Shows bridge over Wolli Creek at New Illawarra Road. Morgan Street, New Illawarra Road, Wolli Creek, Forrest Road, Hill Street. ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.

1 subdivision plan.

34 good building allotments with great depths. Within 5 miles of Sydney, splendid tram service. Cooks River also Bexley trams are within a few minutes walk of the estate. Hannam Street, Mawson Street, Dowling Street, Wentworth Street. Auction sale 2/3/1912. ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

1 subdivision plan.

Stanley Street, Hannam Street, Gipps Street. Auction sale 19/10/1912. ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.
Jeeves Estate Arncliffe  [Map]  1912.
1 subdivision plan

Wollie Creek, Martin Street, Heath Street, Rickard Street, Wilkins Street, Hannam Street. Two cottages on western end of Hannam Street (lots 1 and 4). Auction sale 24/2/1912.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes

Forest Hill Estate  [Map]  1912.
1 subdivision plan

"Within 5 minutes of Bexley tram terminus" Morgan Street, New Illawarra Road, Forrest (sic) Road, Hill Street, auctioned 5/10/1912. ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes.

High Cliff Estate no.2  [Map]  1912.
1 subdivision plan

David Street, High Cliff Road. Auctioned 19/10/1912. ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Highview Estate  [Map]  1913.
1 subdivision plan

View Street. Shows location in relation to Canterbury Station and the tram terminus at Undercliffe Bridge. Auctioned 22/2/1913. ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Forest Hill Estate, 2nd subdivision  [Map]  1913.
1 subdivision plan

Lower half of Sylvester's grant, bordering Wollie Creek. Auctioned 8/3/1913. ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

1 subdivision plan

Rickard Street and Hannam Street. Shows cottage and sheds in Hannam Street. Within a few minutes walk of Railway Station and Arncliffe - Bexley Tram. City water and gas. Auction sale 1/12/1913.
ML Turrella Subdivision boxes. Copy in Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.
1 subdivision plan.

Nine large allotments and cottage. (House on corner of Arncliffe Street and Hannam Street. Crossing of Wolli Creek at Arncliffe Street.) Wolli Creek, Arncliffe Street, Hannam Street, Reserved Road. Auction sale 7/3/1914.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

The Famous Palmer Estate [Map] 1914
1 subdivision plan.

Arncliffe Road, Wilson Road, The Glen Road. “Close to Station.” “On this estate is erected a fine brick cottage containing 6 rooms with a frontage to Arncliffe Road of 100 ft by a depth of 180 ft.” [lot 6]. Shows bridge over creek in Arncliffe Road [?Bardwell Creek] Auction sale 1/1/1914.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

Kingsland Estate, Bexley [Map] [1914?]
1 subdivision plan.

Tempe Road, New Illawarra Road, Kingsland Road, Barnsbury Grove. Stone houses at the NE corner of Tempe Road and New Illawarra Road, and NE corner of Kingsland Road and Barnsbury Grove.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

1 subdivision plan

Cook Street, Wentworth Street, Stanley Street. Subdivision of land from the Radium Estate 1910, which See also. Auction sale 13/4/1918 postponed to 4/5/1918. ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

1 subdivision plan

Minnamorra Avenue and Hocking Avenue. Auctioned 14/12/1918.
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Earlwood Park Estate [Map] 1919.
1 subdivision plan

Earlwood Avenue, Clarke, Lewins and Homer Streets. Auctioned 6/12/1919.
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.
Tracing of a survey of Hartill-Law Avenue    [Map] [192-?]
1 surveyor's tracing.

Shows tracks, vegetation, position of a house. Probably dates from late 1920s.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

DP 6670    [Map] [192?]
1 surveyor's tracing.

Shows Rickard, Hannam, Martin, Heath Streets and Wolli Creek.
Adjoins Whitaker Estate.
ML Turrella Subdivision boxes.

Belgrade Estate, Bexley    [Map] [192?]
1 subdivision plan.

"Within a few minutes walk of the Bexley tram". Staples, Edward, Coveney, Park, Laycock and Oliver Streets.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes.

Hannam's Estate, Arncliffe    [Map] [192?]
1 subdivision plan.

Arncliffe Street, Goddard Street, Loftus Street.
ML Turrella Subdivision boxes.

For auction sale, 15 acres on Arncliffe Heights   … [Map]
24/2/1921.
1 subdivision plan.

Glen Road to Parliament Terrace, Pile Street to near Sackville Street.
ML Bardwell Park Subdivision boxes.

Grand View Estate    [Map] [1923?]
1 subdivision plan

Leonora Street and Manildra Street. Auctioned 27/10/1923?
"The Bellevue Hill of the Western Suburbs. Panoramic views, mountain air".
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.
Moorefields Estate First Subdivision [Map] [1923?]
1 subdivision plan

Aerial photographs of the surrounding area on verso. Subdivision is west of the study area, known locally as Judd's paddock. (East of King Georges Road)
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes.

Moorefields Estate Second Subdivision [Map] [1924?]
1 subdivision plan

Aerial photographs of the surrounding area on verso. Subdivision covers Wolli Creek west of the study area, known locally as Judd's paddock.
ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes.

Forest Hill Estate [Map] 1924.
1 subdivision plan

Similar to 1913 subdivision. Shows proposed railway. "6 minutes from tram terminus".
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Airedale Estate [Map] 1924.
1 subdivision plan

Morgan Street, Cross Street, Airedale Avenue. Gives land prices.
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

1 subdivision plan

Cameron, Larkhall, Lanark and Garfield (now Clarke) Streets. Photos of tram terminus and shopping centre.
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

1 subdivision plan

Cameron Street, William Street. Same photographs as Crown of Earlwood.
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.
Claremont Estate  [Map]  1925.
1 subdivision plan
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Terminus Estate  [Map]  1925.
1 subdivision plan
Homer Street to Richard Street. Annotated with land prices.
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

1 subdivision plan
Homer Street, Poole Street.
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Railway View Estate  [Map]  1925.
1 subdivision plan
Bexley Road, Willunga Avenue, Angus Street. Reserves a large block in the centre - site of Bexley House?
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Albert Estate  [Map]  1926.
1 subdivision plan
Minnamorra Avenue (now Hocking Avenue), Banks Road. "Between the tram and the proposed railway".
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Howard's Estate, Bexley  [Map]  [1926?]
1 subdivision plan.
133 excellent home and business sites. Aerial photographs (1) looking towards Canterbury and Belmore, showing the surveyed route of the Tempe East Hills railway.
(2) Looking towards Hurstville and Bexley. Croydon Road, Edward Street, Caroline Street, Rodgers Avenue, Todd Street, Dowsett Street.
ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.
The Knoll Estate Arncliffe  [Map] c.1926
1 subdivision plan

"5 minutes walk from Arncliffe Station. Fourteen minutes train ride from Sydney. A daily service of 186 fast electric trains. [East Hills line not shown on local sketch.] Water - gas - electric light. Sewerage - all at the boundaries. The public school and park adjoins. Occupies an elevated commanding position, and the fortunate purchasers will enjoy a panorama extending for miles in every direction - even to the blue waters of the Pacific, over historic Kurnell and La Perouse. The beautiful beaches of Botany Bay within easy reach." Knoll Avenue, Bonar Street.
ML Arncliffe Subdivision boxes

1 subdivision plan

Malley Avenbe, Homer Street, Main Street.
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Earlway Estate, Earlwood  [Map] [1928?]
1 subdivision plan

ML Canterbury Subdivision boxes

Earlway Estate, Bexley  [Map] [1928?]
1 subdivision plan

"At the boundary of Canterbury Municipality, where Sydney' subdivision expansion is intensifying. 110 choice home sites. Situated right at the selected site of the Croydon Road Station on the proposed Tempe-East Hills Electric Railway and convenient to the planned extension of the Earlwood Electric Tram". Croydon Road, York, Kooreela, Girrawheen, Bomalbo and Wolli Streets, and Kookaburra Road.
ML Bexley Subdivision boxes

Station View Estate South Earlwood  [Map] [1928?]
1 subdivision plan.

"The estate with the wonderful and progressive future. Where values must rise. Within 3 minutes walk and overlooking Bexley Railway Station, and 5 minutes from Earlwood Railway Station now being constructed. 80 home sites all elevated and commanding uninterrupted views for miles around. Tempe Road, Stott's Avenue, Bernard Avenue and Barnsbury Grove.
ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.
1 subdivision plan.

25 home sites fronting Lorraine Avenue and Alsace Avenue, close to Forest and Wollongong Roads.
ML Bexley Subdivision boxes.

1 subdivision plan

Poole and Knox Streets to Wolli Creek. Shows new East Hills railway.
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Earlwood Station Estate [Map] 1930.
1 subdivision plan

Bardwell Crescent to Morgan Street and Richard Street. Annotated with land prices.
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Turrella Station [Map] [1931?]
1 surveyor's tracing.

"Arrangements at Turrella Station". Plan of platform, steps, overbridge, waiting room and surrounding streets.
ML Turrella Subdivision boxes.

Bardwell Park, Panorama Estate [Map] [1937]
1 subdivision plan

Slade Road to Canonbury Grove and Harrow Road.
ML Earlwood Subdivision boxes.

Orienteering map of Cooks River Valley Dave Lotty for Attic Maps et al.
Sydney, Uringa Orienteers, November 1982.
1 map.

Shows 4m contours, roads, creeks, swamp, vegetation, streets, minor physical and cultural features in great depth.
ML M2 811.1851/1982/1
PICTURES

Elyard, Samuel. **Tempe House, Cook's River** (Picture) 1838.
1 wash drawing

Unsigned; title and artist's name from recent inscription on backing, now destroyed. Presented to Mitchell Library by Mrs Huband-Smith, a descendant of A.B. Spark, builder of Tempe House, May 1956.
ML

1 sketch, sepia crayon highlighted with white (Sketches of Sydney ... f.16v)

Drawing of Wanstead.
ML ZPXA 4461-2

Vine Hall, John, **Wolli Creek, Botany** [Picture] 1854?
1 sketch, sepia crayon (Sketches of Sydney ... f.18)

View of Botany Heads from the heights of Undercliffe, Wolli Creek Valley in the foreground.
ML ZPXA 4461-2

Elyard, Samuel. **Bexley** [Picture] 1861.
1 watercolour (Views of Nowra and Sydney, f.1)

Shows the buildings of Bexley House and the cleared paddocks from Homer Street.
ML ZDG*D22

1 watercolour (Views, mainly of Sydney ... v.1 f.8)

Shows Bexley House from the side view.
ML ZDG D22

Long, Sydney, **By tranquil waters** [Picture] 1894.
1 oil on canvas

View of children swimming at the junction of Cooks River and Wolli Creek.
Art Gallery of New South Wales
   1 oil on canvas

View of Cattle grazing on Wanstead, the property of Mrs Campbell.
   Ballarat Fine Art Gallery.

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat [Picture] [1896?]
   1 photograph. b&w.

  Looking from Arncliffe to Undercliffe along the eastern side of the
  sewer viaduct.
  Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 531/6

Wolli Creek flat [Picture] [1896?]
   1 photograph. b&w.

  Shows arches in centre of construction. View of bank of creek through
  arch.
  Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 537/4

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat, finished work [Picture] [1896?]
   1 photograph. b&w.

  Looking from Undercliffe across to Arncliffe. Shows many houses and
  farms, and a substantial house east of sewer line.
  Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 537/5

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat, finished work [Picture] [1896?]
   1 photograph. b&w.

  Looking from the creek, east side of the construction towards Arncliffe.
  Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 537/6

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat [Picture] [1896?]
   1 photograph. b&w.

  Looking from Arncliffe over Wolli Creek to the heights of Undercliffe.
  Shows farmhouses and fences in the foreground, and the cleared line
  before commencement of work.
  Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 537/9

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat [Picture] [1896?]
   1 photograph. b&w.

  Looking from Undercliffe to Arncliffe at the commencement of the work.
  Shows construction railway and bridge over the creek.
  Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 537/10
Wolli Creek flat [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.
Shows the bridge across the creek. Similar to Neg. 537/4. Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 537/11

Wolli Creek flat: bridge across creek [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.
Shows the sewer main, bridge and bank of creek.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 538/1

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat: bridge across creek [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.
Looking directly into the tunnels from scaffolding.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 538/3

Wolli Creek flat: pile drivers [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.
Looking from Undercliffe. Shows the banks of Wolli Creek.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 540/3

Wolli Creek flat [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.
Shows the formwork for the arches.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 540/4

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.
Looking from Arncliffe along the completed pipes to Undercliffe.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 540/5

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat: looking from the creek [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.
Looking from Undercliffe along the completed pipes.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 540/7
S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat subway [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.

Shows heavy brick construction up against the cliff on the Arncliffe side, and the construction railway.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 540/12

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.

Shows brickwork construction.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 541/1

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat expansion joint [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.

Shows brick arches and sewer main, houses in the background through the arch.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 541/4

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat, 6'0" pipes in position [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.

From Arncliffe flat looking back along the construction to Undercliffe.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 541/5

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat 27'6" arches [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.

Shows the row of arches.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 541/6

S.S.W. Wolli Creek flat, 10’ relieving arches [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.

Shows the construction of the arches.
Water Board historical Research Unit neg. 541/7

Wolli Creek flat: bridge across creek [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.

Photo similar to neg. 541/12, taken from further away. Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 541/11
Wolli Creek flat: bridge across creek [Picture] [1896?]
1 photograph. b&w.

Photo similar to neg. 538/1.
Water Board Historical Research Unit neg. 541/12

King Family's pig farm, Wolli Creek [Picture] [1910?]
3 photographs

King Family group photograph.
King Family working on the farm.
Male family member in the pig enclosure.
Originals owned by Mrs A. Barnes, Potts Point. Copies and negatives held by Canterbury and District Historical Society.

View of Wolli Creek Valley [Picture] [1910?]
3 photographs. b&w.

Overlapping photographs of the Wolli Creek Valley from the King Family's farm.
Originals owned by Mrs A. Barnes, Potts Point. Copies and negatives held by Canterbury and District Historical Society.


Welch, C. R. Bexley North Station [Picture] ca.1930.
1 photograph. b&w.

Bexley North Station under construction, looking towards Kingsgrove.
B.J. Madden Collection.

1 photograph. b&w.

The railway line from the Bexley North overbridge, looking towards Bardwell Park, with Earlwood in top left corner.
B.J. Madden Collection.
1 photograph (slightly out of focus). b&w.

Bexley North Station. Taken after the opening of the line. Taken from the south side of the station looking north with Forest Hill Estate in background.
B.J. Madden Collection.

Taken at Kingsgrove Station on the first day of operation of the Tempe-Kingsgrove section of the Tempe-East Hills line the previous day, showing a train in the new station [Picture] Sydney, Labor Daily 1931.
1 photograph. b&w.

Labor Daily 22/9/1931 p6

The driver and guard of a train on the first day of operation of the Tempe-Kingsgrove section of the Tempe-East hills line the previous day [Picture] Sydney, Daily Telegraph 1931.
1 photograph. b&w.

Daily Telegraph 22/9/1931 p12

1 photograph. b&w.

Mrs B. Gibson cutting the ribbon at the Official Opening of the Tempe-Kingsgrove section of the Tempe-East Hills line at Kingsgrove on Saturday 26 September 1931.
B.J. Madden collection.

Kingsgrove Station and Wolli Creek near Bardwell Park Station [Picture] Sydney, Sydney Mail, 1931.
2 photographs. b&w.

Sydney Mail 30/9/1931 p25.

1 photograph. b&w.

Mrs W. Newey cutting the ribbon at the Official Opening of the Kingsgrove-East Hills section of the Tempe-East Hills railway at East Hills on Saturday 19 December 1931.
B.J. Madden collection.
Newey, R. Official Opening of the Kingsgrove-East Hills line
[Picture] 19/12/1931.
1 photograph. b&w.

View of the crowd at the Official Opening of the Kingsgrove-East Hills section of the Tempe-East Hills railway at East Hills on Saturday 19. December 1931.
B.J. Madden collection.

Main Roads: Secondary road, 2014. [Kingsgrove Road: Homer Street to Wolli Creek] [Picture] Sydney, Department of Main Roads, 1934.
1 photograph. b&w.

Shows the Bexley Road crossing of Wolli Creek.
ML Government Printer Laser/Video Disc 01856. Copy in Marrickville Local Studies Centre.

Main Roads. Secondary road 2014. Kingsgrove Road. Homer Street to Wolli Creek from corner of Homer St [Picture] Sydney, Department of Main Roads, 1934.
1 photograph. b&w.

Kingsgrove Road is now Bexley Road, and the photo was taken from north of the corner of Bexley Road and Homer Street, looking south towards Bexley North Station. N.S.W. Government Printer neg. no. 16582.

1 photograph. b&w.

Kingsgrove Road is now Bexley Road, and the photo was taken from north of the corner of Bexley Road and Wolli Street, looking north-west towards Homer Street.
N.S.W. Government Printer neg. no.16583.

Main Roads. Secondary road 2014. Kingsgrove Road. Homer Street to Wolli Creek from chainage 1750 looking over Wolli Creek bridge [Picture] Sydney, Department of Main Roads, 1934.
1 photograph. b&w.

Kingsgrove Road is now Bexley Road, and the photo was taken in Bexley Road north of the bridge over Wolli Creek, looking south-east towards Bexley North Station and Bexley.
N.S.W. Government Printer neg. no.16584.
1 photograph. b&w.

Kingsgrove Road is now Bexley Road, and the photo was taken from the south bank of Wolli Creek looking north-east towards the Bexley Road bridge over the creek, with the Forest Hill Estate in the background.
N.S.W. Government Printer neg. no.16585.

1 photograph. b&w.

Looking towards Earlwood with Undercliffe in the foreground.
ML Government Printer Laser/Video Disc 36932. Copy in Marrickville Local Studies Centre.

1 photograph. b&w.

Taken from the vicinity of Tempe station.
ML Government Printer Laser/Video Disc 36943. Copy in Marrickville Local Studies Centre.

1 photograph. b&w.

An interesting photo of Wolli Creek looking towards Tempe Bridge.
ML Government Printer Laser/Video Disc 36931. Copy in Marrickville Local Studies Centre.

Photographs - Arncliffe folder, Local Studies Centre, Rockdale
50/1 Alexander Brodie Spark, builder of Tempe House.
50/2 Tempe House.
50/3 Tempe House. Pencil sketch by Cedric Emanuel.
50/4 Tempe House before alteration of roof.
50/5 Tempe House from an old invitation card dated 1883.
50/6 Tempe House with altered roof line.
50/7 Steps in the grounds of Tempe House
50/8 Old etching of Tempe House and Cooks River Dam held by the Mitchell Library.
50/9 Auction Notice for the sale of Tempe House when it was bought by the Sisters of the Good Samaritan.

50/10 & Two early views of the Cooks River Dam c 1880.

50/11 Bottom one shows a lime kiln and the toll bar.

50/12 Cooks River Dam - an etching from the northern side of the river ca. 1880.

50/13 Watercolour painting of the Cooks River Dam ca. 1860 held by Mitchell Library.

50/14 Lime kiln and portion of the Cooks River Dam ca. 1880.

50/18 Looking from present day Bardwell Park towards the Arncliffe Quarry ca. 1885.

50/23 Watercolour painting of Tempe House and Dam ca. 1850.

50/35 Building of the Western Suburbs Outfall Sewer through Arncliffe ca. 1895.

50/36 Building of the Western Suburbs Outfall Sewer through Arncliffe ca. 1895.

50/37 Western Suburbs Outfall Sewer crossing Wolli Creek ca. 1895.

50/38 Western Suburbs Outfall Sewer between Princes Highway and Arncliffe Street ca. 1895.

50/39 Western Suburbs Outfall Sewer looking towards Princes Highway ca. 1895.

50/40 Western Suburbs Outfall Sewer passing under West Botany Street ca. 1895.

50/41 Western Suburbs Outfall Sewer looking towards Thompson Street ca. 1895.

50/42 Western Suburbs Outfall Sewer at Thompson Street. Walker Street on the right ca. 1895.

50/43 Western Suburbs Outfall Sewer at Thompson Street. "Kirnbank" being erected on the left. ca. 1895.

50/44 Western Suburbs Outfall Sewer at West Botany Street ca. 1895.

50/45 Western Suburbs Outfall Sewer Arncliffe. Location not clear. ca. 1895.

50/59 "Forsythe", Hannam Street, Arncliffe built by Samuel Jeeves ca. 1868.


50/62 "Kirnbank", Bonar Street, Arncliffe ca. 1950.
50/63-66 "Kirnbank", Bonar Street, Arncliffe. Four photographs taken in 1965 when the building was occupied by squatters.


50/71 Front door of "Kirnbank", Bonar Street, Arncliffe 1965.

50/72 Stairs of "Kirnbank", Bonar Street, Arncliffe 1965.

50/73 Verandah of "Kirnbank" 1965.

50/74 Dairy at "Kirnbank" ca. 1910.

50/87 John Gibson Farleigh's home, Dowling Street, Arncliffe.


50/99 Shop in Hannam Street, Arncliffe ca. 1914.

50/117 Willington Street, Arncliffe (then King Street) ca.1910.

50/125 Children fishing in Wolli Creek ca. 1910.

50/130 Valley of Wolli Creek - sketch by Gifford Eardley ca. 1965.

Photographs - Bexley, Kingsgrove, Carlton folder, Local Studies Centre, Rockdale:


7 The Jubilee Bridge, Bexley Road, 1914. (2 photographs)

30 The Bexley Gully (Bardwell Valley) 1950.

32 Stoney Creek, now the site of the Bexley Swimming Centre.

41 Kingsgrove Park - now the Bexley Golf Course.

42 Cottage in Slade Road, Bardwell Road, 1878.
NEWSPAPER ITEMS

9/6/1810    Sydney Gazette
Edward Flaherty Certificate of freedom granted.

7/3/1812    Sydney Gazette
Caution against trespass on William Packer's farm at Bundalwarren, Cooks River. Other similar advertisements (W.Packer's farm, Botany Bay) at 26/8/1815, 6/10/1825 p.10.

2/9/1815    Sydney Gazette
Reuben Hannam appointed overseer of brickmakers. Similar announcements 9/9/1815, 19/6/1819.

22/11/1818  Sydney Gazette
Reuben Hannam, payment for bricks supplied to the Government. Also 24/11/1821 supp.

16/9/1820   Sydney Gazette
James Chandler arrived from England

3/2/1821    Sydney Gazette
James Packer's farm at Cooks River for sale.

24/2/1821   Sydney Gazette
Land grant to Reuben Hannam.

25/8/1821   Sydney Gazette
Edward Flaherty Land grant

27/10/1821  Sydney Gazette
Boundaries of Botany Bay District.

18/1/1822   Sydney Gazette
Payment to Reuben Hannam for bricks for church erecting at Campbelltown.

13/12/1822  Sydney Gazette
Storekeeper wanted. William James Packer (Cooks River).

2/1 & 9/1/1823   Sydney Gazette
James Chandler. Wheat supplied to Govt Stores

27/3/1823   Sydney Gazette
22/4/1824 p.4 Sydney Gazette
James Chandler proprietor of Bexley Farm.

17/3/1825 p.3 Sydney Gazette
James Chandler resident at Cooks River. Also 24/3/1825 p.3.

21/4/1825 Australian
John Riley received land grant.

1/9/1825 p.1 Sydney Gazette
Notice from Reuben Hannam against trespassing upon the land belonging to S. Terry situated at the Brickfields.

6/10/1825 p.4 Sydney Gazette
Advertisement by James Chandler of 1200 acres as a "run for cattle".

6/10/1825 Australian
James Chandler warns against trespass on his land at Botany Bay.

7/6/1826 p.4 Sydney Gazette
Advertisement by Simeon Lord. Trespassers and timber thieves on Kingsgrove and Townsend’s Retreat.

16/9/1826 p.1 Sydney Gazette
Reuben Hannam, proprietor of the Sign of the Red Cow, Sydney, will pay reward for the return of a lost Ticket of Leave.

9/12/1826 p.3 Sydney Gazette
Reuben Hannam gives evidence in the case of Thomas Smith.

2/5/1827 p.2d Sydney Gazette
David Hannam charged with assaulting John Cullen.

18/6/1827 p.4c Sydney Gazette
The public are warned against trespassing on the farm of Reuben Hannam, David Hannam and Edward Flood at Cooks River. Also 20/6/1827, 11/7/1827.

13/7/1827 p.3f Sydney Gazette
Mrs Laycock advertises a farm for sale at Cooks River. Also 16/7/1827, 25/7/1827.

21/12/1827 p.4f Sydney Gazette
John Martin offers a reward for the return of two cows strayed from James Chandler's farm at Cooks River. Also 24/12, 26/12. 28/12.
29/2/1828  Australian
A.B. Spark cautions against trespass on Packer's Farm, Cooks River.

3/3/1828 p.1f  Sydney Gazette
A.B. Spark warns grass-cutters and others against trespassing on his farm, known as Packer's Farm, in the Cooks River district. Also 5/3/1828, 14/3/1828.

2/5/1828  Australian
A.B. Spark building a house at Botany.

3/9/1828 p.2f  Sydney Gazette
A Coroner's Inquest on the body of Thomas Hussey held at the residence of A.B. Spark, Temple Vale, at Cooks River by Dr Halloran, August 30.

9/12/1828  Australian
A.B. Spark. Farm at Botany robbed.

25/11/1829  Australian
Arthur Martin witness in Lees Case

17/9/1830  Australian
A.B. Spark planting a vineyard at Tempe, Cooks River

21/10/1831  Australian
Land grants, St George [sic], Reuben Hannam and David Hannam. 
Land grant, St George, Arthur Martin.

4/5/1832  Australian
Reuben Hannam, Land grant Sydney

8/6/1832  Australian
James Chandler. Land grant, St George. 
Winifred Flaherty. Land grant, St George. 
John Riley. Land grant, St George

18/1/1833  Australian
Thomas Bardwell, Dyer, with Maria, etc, arrived per Palambain Jan 10.

18/6/1833 p.4  Sydney Gazette
"Bexley Park" advertised for leasehold. Property cut by four creeks: 
"Cabbage Tree Creek, Bexley, Rayford and Dartford Brooks". Good description of vegetation and native animals on the property.

9/9/1834  Australian
Leslie Duguid selling sheep per S. Lyons.
10/9/1834 p.4 Sydney Monitor
Advertisement for "Country residence" to be let. Joshua Thorp’s property & vineyard.

9/2/1836 Australian
Bexley Park to be sold at auction.

3/3/1836 p.4 Sydney Herald
Advertisement for "Bexley" to be sold at auction.

4/3/1836 Australian
Bexley Park bought by Charles Thomson Senior.

19/7/1836 p.2 Australian

9/9/1836 p3 Australian
A. Polack, Lower George Street warns against trespass on Bramshot and Richmond Grove Cooks River

14/3/1837 p3 Australian
Leslie Duguid buys land at Petersham.

2/6/1837 p.3 Australian
Advertisement for "Bexley". Good description of buildings and orchard. 1300 acres to be sold by A. Polack.

9/1/1838 p3 Australian
Reward offered for mare lost or stolen from Mr F. Unwin, Cooks River.

10/7/1838 p4 Australian
Cooks River. Laborer assigned to R. Hannam.

19/12/1839 p3 Australian
Polack's Estate - Large sale of land at ... Cooks River, etc.

17/3/1840 p3 Australian
Land at Cooks River, lately occupied by Abraham Polack, to be sold by Sheriff's Order, March 17

1/9/1840 p9 Australian
Depredators on Bexley Estate will be prosecuted by C Tompson. Also 3/9/1840 p.1, 5/9/1840 p.1.
18/2/1841 p2 Australian
Duguid v Spark: Judgment for plaintiff on demurrer.

11/3/1841 p3c7 Australian
Mention of the handsome chateau of Mr Duguid in description of Bexley.

27/3/1841 p3 Australian
37 allotments at Tempe, near the estate of A.B. Spark, forming the village of Hythe, to be sold.

29/3/1841 p.2 Australian
Best of Bexley Estate for sale.

29/5/1841 p.2 Australian
Bexley Estate allotments to be placed on market.

3/6/1841 p3 Australian
Township of Botany, extending westward to the waters which divide the town from the handsome chateau of Mr Duguid.

24/6/1841 p.1 Australian
Advertisement for "Bexley". Not very descriptive.

13/7/1841 p3 Australian
Details of land above Cooks River Dam to be sold.

12/8/1841 p.4 Australian
Advertisement for "Kingsgrove". Good description of timber.

9/9/1841 p3 Australian
Land near Tempe, property and residence of A.B. Spark, to be sold at auction, Sept 21

11/9/1841 p1 Australian
Details concerning 67 allotments at Wanstead, Cooks River, to be sold, 21 September.

13/1/1842 p.3 Australian
134 allotments, Bexley Estate, to be sold. Also 15/1/1842 p4.

12/1/1842 p.3 Sydney Morning Herald
Bexley Estate, six miles from Sydney, 1300 acres for sale in a lump, or in 134 allotments, on Cooks River Dam.

19/3/1842 p.3 Australian
Whole of Bexley Estate, with garden, orchard and paddocks, to be sold.
26/3/1842 p.1   **Australian**
1300 acres, Bexley Estate, to be let by tender. Also 29/3/1842 p.1

10/5/1842 p.3   **Sydney Morning Herald**
A.B. Spark. To his wife, a daughter, born at Tempe on 7 May.

7/1/1843 p.2    **Sydney Morning Herald**
F.W. Unwin appointed a magistrate of the Territory.

1/3/1843 p.3    **Sydney Morning Herald**
Leslie Duguid. To his wife, a daughter, born at Cooks River on 25 February.

9/4/1844 p.3e   **Sydney Morning Herald**
Thomas Bardwell offers a reward for a horse lost, Cooks River.

26/4/1844 p.3    **Sydney Morning Herald**
Residence of Frederick Wright Unwin at Cooks River, Wanstead, to let.

6/5/1844 p.2    **Sydney Morning Herald**
F.W. Unwin concerned in the Spark case.

27/5/1844 p.2    **Sydney Morning Herald**
A.B. Spark. Fire at his home at Tempe, Cooks River.

23/7/1844 p.2    **Sydney Morning Herald**
Abraham Polack v Spark and others. Also 9/8/1844.

19/12/1844 p.2   **Sydney Morning Herald**
A.B. Spark. Owner of a property near Cooks River Dam.

30/6/1847 p.4    **Sydney Morning Herald**

5/12/1849 p.4    **Sydney Morning Herald**
Sale of Reuben Hannam's house and 100 acres.

3/3/1855 p.10   **Sydney Morning Herald**
Subdivision sale of the "Town of Clifton" and Wanstead House and land on behalf of S.H. Marsh.

23/10/1856 p.4    **Empire**
Death of A.B. Spark, at his residence, Tempe, Cooks River.
21/8/1868 p.5 Sydney Morning Herald
A Day on Cooks River. Description of a trip in a rowing boat by a group of journalists from Tempe Dam to the head of navigation near Enfield. Describes the entrance of "Woolli Creek".

23/9/1871 p.9 Sydney Morning Herald
Sale of the Mitre Tavern and 46 acres of land, about 1 mile beyond Undercliffe Bridge, at the junction of the Illawarra Road and a road leading to Wolli Creek.

18/1/1879 p.14 Sydney Morning Herald
Sale of Cottage residence and upwards of 46 acres of land on "Illawarra Road", having a considerable frontage to Wolli Creek. [i.e. the "Mitre Tavern" block]. "The lower portion, viz., 13 1/2 acres is admirably adapted as a site for wool washing purposes, having plenty of fresh water skirting its southern boundary". Good description of the house and garden.

22/8/1885 p.17 Sydney Morning Herald
Advertisement for Bardwell Mount, Arncliffe. Subdivided into very large lots. "Mrs Lambert of "Fairview" will give information about the locality".

5/10/1885 p.13 Sydney Morning Herald
Advertisement for sale of lot 29, Kingsgrove, extending down to Wolli Creek, divided into numerous allotments.

25/2/1888 p.127 Builder and Contractor's News
Cooks River Reclamation works. "About 20 acres of mangrove swamp have been cleared, the cost having been only £12 an acre".

Reclamation at Cooks River Refers to building of dykes in Cooks River and Sheas Creek, together with illustrations.

24/9/1904 p.9 Evening News
Article on Canterbury and Belmore in a series on the suburbs of Sydney, written by Mary Salmon. Mentions the demise of the bush industry of making of cabbage tree hats. (This was carried out in Wolli Creek valley)

See also

10/6/1921  Hurstville Propeller
28/10/1921  Hurstville Propeller
4/11/1921  Hurstville Propeller
11/8/1922  Hurstville Propeller
2/2/1923  Hurstville Propeller
20/4/1923  Hurstville Propeller
11/5/1923  Hurstville Propeller
27/7/1923  Hurstville Propeller
24/8/1923  Hurstville Propeller
19/12/1924  Hurstville Propeller
4/5/1926 p.5a  Daily Telegraph
7/5/1926  Hurstville Propeller
19/8/1927  Hurstville Propeller
5/9/1927 p.4c, p.3c  Daily Telegraph
5/9/1927 p.12, p.14  Sydney Morning Herald
9/9/1927  Hurstville Propeller
1/12/1927 p.16  Sydney Morning Herald
16/12/1927  Hurstville Propeller
14/1/1928 p.19  Sydney Morning Herald
2/2/1928 p.6  Sydney Morning Herald
15/2/1928 p.17  Sydney Morning Herald
12/4/1928 p.11  Sydney Morning Herald
31/8/1928  Hurstville Propeller
18/9/1928 p.11  Sydney Morning Herald
28/9/1928  Hurstville Propeller
12/10/1928  Hurstville Propeller
26/10/1928  Hurstville Propeller
16/11/1928  Hurstville Propeller
11/1/1929  Hurstville Propeller
18/1/1929  Hurstville Propeller
22/2/1929  Hurstville Propeller
1/3/1929  Hurstville Propeller
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5/4/1929  Hurstville Propeller
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21/11/1929 p.15  Sydney Morning Herald
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22/9/1931 p.12  Daily Telegraph
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28/9/1931 p.6, p.10 Sydney Morning Herald
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18/12/1931 Hurstville Propeller
19/12/1931 p.14 Sydney Morning Herald
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21/12/1931 Labor Daily
22/12/1931 p.5 Sydney Morning Herald
24/12/1931 p.6 Sydney Morning Herald
24/12/1931 St George Call
25/12/1931 Hurstville Propeller
29/12/1931 Sydney Morning Herald

14/12/1939 Hurstville Propeller
Electrification of line to East Hills in 1939.
See also
21/12/1939 Hurstville Propeller
22/12/1939 St George Call
28/12/1939 Hurstville Propeller

15/3/1967 Source unknown.
Proposal to remove sandstone from Nanny Goat Hill, which was rejected
by Canterbury Council. See also:
22/3/1967 Campsie News and Lakemba Advance
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Copies of newspaper extracts, Wolli Creek Preservation Society
archives.

4/81 p.5 The Open Road (NRMA)
History of Sydney Expressways since 1947.

15/5/1981 Sydney Morning Herald
Kirby Report recommendations summary. See also:
19/5/1981 The Western Suburbs Courier
20/5/1981 The St George Leader (and editorial)

22/9/1982 Bankstown-Canterbury Torch. F5 freeway to King Georges
Road Beverly Hills to be funded.
See also:
29/9/1982 The St George Leader
12/1982 The Open Road (NRMA)
12/1982 Main Roads (DMR)

23/3/1984 Sydney Morning Herald
History of Sydney expressways and criticism of DMR fantasies.

1/5/1985 Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
Editorial. New freeway - hasten slowly.
15/11/1985  Daily Telegraph
Comments invited by DMR on EIS on freeway [between] Moorebank and Beverly Hills.

Canterbury Council draws attention to EIS being on exhibition.

25/2/1986  Bankstown-Canterbury Express
NRMA calls for extension of freeway to city.

Wolli Creek Preservation Society submission on Roads 2000.

21/7/1986  Sydney Morning Herald
Barry Unsworth, new Premier, promises commencement of SW expressway, with a five-kilometre viaduct along Wolli Creek valley, and probably with a toll. See also:

21/7/1986  Daily Telegraph
22/7/1986  Sydney Morning Herald
24/7/1986  The St George Leader
30/7/1986  The Glebe
31/7/1986  The St George Leader
6/8/1986  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
13/8/1986  The Glebe
18/8/1986  Daily Telegraph
27/8/1986  Voice
9-10/1986  Earlwood Community News
10/9/1986  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
15/10/1986  St George Express
21/10/1986  The St George Leader

7-8/1986  Earlwood Community News
Wolli Creek in Deep Water - Key excerpts from the Kirby Enquiry.

23/10/1986  Daily Telegraph
Work on F5 deferred. See also:
28/10/1986  The St George Leader
29/10/1986  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
29/10/1986  St George Express

2/6/1987  St George Express
VFT proposal and possible use of Wolli Creek Valley. See also:

17/6/1987  Daily Telegraph
21/6/1987  Sunday Telegraph
28/7/1987  Daily Telegraph
29/7/1987  Daily Telegraph
29/7/1987  Sydney Morning Herald
2/8/1987  Sunday Telegraph
4/8/1987  St George Express
10/8/1987  Daily Telegraph
11/8/1987  St George Leader
30/8/1987  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
6/1/1988  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
9/2/1988  St George Leader
16/8/1988  St George Leader
29/8/1988  Sydney Morning Herald
15/9/1988  Daily Telegraph
15/9/1988  Sydney Morning Herald
12/11/1988  Sydney Morning Herald (Good Weekend)
8/12/1988  Sydney Morning Herald
23/2/1989  St George Leader
20/8/1989  Sun-Herald
21/12/1989  St George Leader
25/7/1990  St George Leader
5/7/1990  St George Leader
17/5/1991  Sydney Morning Herald
7/8/1991  Sydney Morning Herald

21/12/1987  Sydney Morning Herald
SRA advertisement for the Official Opening by the Premier of the East Hills to Glenfield extension that day.

5/6/1988  Sunday Telegraph
F5 from Liverpool to Beverly Hills to be a private tollway. See also:

3/4/1989  Sydney Morning Herald
6/4/1989  St George Leader
15/4/1989  Sydney Morning Herald
30/1/1990  St George Leader
18/7/1990  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
26/7/1990  St George Leader
25/2/1991  Sydney Morning Herald
26/2/1991  Sydney Morning Herald
27/2/1991  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
28/2/1991  St George Leader
19/3/1991  St George Leader

6/8/1988 Sydney Morning Herald
Government lifts road reservation order on Wolli Creek Valley.
See also:
9/8/1988  St George Leader
11/8/1988  St George Leader
17/8/1988  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
9-10/1988  Earlwood Community News

[?8/1988] Info-News
Wolli Creek bushland saved.
21/9/1988 Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
South Western Sydney Road Corridor Study - options for road improvements between Beverly Hills and St Peters. Later, DMR decides its preferred option is a freeway in a common corridor with the East Hills Railway line and the Very Fast Train. See also:

22/9/1988 St George Leader
28/9/1988 The Western Suburbs Courier
29/9/1988 St George Leader
6/10/1988 St George Leader
11/10/1988 Bankstown-Canterbury Express
11/10/1988 St George Leader
18/10/1988 Sydney Morning Herald
20/10/1988 St George Leader
25/10/1988 St George Leader
27/10/1988 The Western Suburbs Courier
8/11/1988 Bankstown-Canterbury Express
22/11/1988 Bankstown-Canterbury Express
6/12/1988 St George Leader
8/12/1988 St George Leader
26/1/1989 St George Leader
9/2/1989 St George Leader
20/6/1989 St George Leader

27/2/1989 Friends of Wolli Creek
521 Committee, Total Catchment Management Committee Wolli Creek
- Report by Colin Taylor, President, on estuaries management.
(Held at Marrickville Local Studies Centre).

11/4/1989 St George Leader
Road reservation in Wolli Creek Valley not lifted.
See also:

12/7/1989 Sydney Morning Herald
20/7/1989 St George Leader
25/7/1989 Bankstown-Canterbury Express
22/8/1989 St George Leader

18/4/1989 Sydney Morning Herald
Notice by the Australian Heritage Commission that the Wolli Creek Sewer Aqueduct had been entered in the Register of the National Estate. One of many places entered in the Register in this notice.
18/5/1989  St George Leader  EIS for F5 between Beverly Hills and Alexandria. See also:

13/6/1989  Bankstown-Canterbury Express
11/7/1989  Sydney Morning Herald
12/7/1989  Sydney Morning Herald
13/7/1989  St George Leader
18/7/1989  Bankstown-Canterbury Express
25/7/1989  St George Leader
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3/8/1989  St George Leader
10/8/1989  St George Leader
15/8/1989  St George Leader
17/8/1989  St George Leader
31/8/1989  St George Leader
12/9/1989  St George Leader
12/9/1989  Bankstown-Canterbury Express
6/10/1989  Sydney Morning Herald
10/10/1989  St George Leader

8/1989  Info-News
Is Wolli Creek doomed?

26/4/1990  St George Leader
Supplementary EIS - local community groups invited to form a Committee. See also:

30/4/1990  Sydney Morning Herald
1/5/1990  Bankstown-Canterbury Express
2/5/1990  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
8/5/1990  Bankstown-Canterbury Express
16/5/1990  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
22/5/1990  Bankstown-Canterbury Express
29/5/1990  Bankstown-Canterbury Express
6-7/1990  Info-News
26/6/1990  Sydney Morning Herald
5/7/1990  St George Leader
20/11/1990  St George Leader

17/1/1991  St George Leader  Botany-West Transport Study. See also:

5/2/1991  Bankstown-Canterbury Express
13/2/1991  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
27/2/1991  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
25/4/1991  St George Leader
8/8/1991  The Eastern Herald, supplement to SMH

13/3/1991  Sydney Morning Herald
Notice of Determination, after consideration of EIS, to proceed with F5 Freeway from Moorebank to Beverly Hills.

3-4/1991  Info-News
"5 Futures" or another F5?
25/9/1991  Bankstown-Canterbury Torch
Notice of Determination re location of toll plaza on F5 Freeway.

Wolli Creek Preservation Society - Southern Sydney Railway.
See also:

3/12/1991  St George Leader
ORAL HISTORY

The following persons have been interviewed:

Mr John Forrest, 54 Rosemeath Avenue, Kingsgrove. 718 2319
Mrs Jean Young, 33 Highcliff Road, Earlwood. 558 3910

The following persons have not been interviewed but should be able to give valuable reminiscences:

Les & Jim Cross, 15 Dickson Street, Newtown 557 1716
Mr/s England, 32 Finlays Avenue, Earlwood. 558 6723
Ron & Val Farrell, 16 Wanstead Ave, Undercliffe. 558 6199
Mr Bob Fenton, 90 Minnamurra Avenue, Earlwood. 558 6788
Gavin Gatenby, 76 Willington Street, Turrella. 567 8502
Pat Hogan, 19 Banks Road, Earlwood. 558 3613
Mr John Perry, 204 Slade Road, Bexley North. 50 4170
Alan Renaud, 8 Jackson Place, Undercliffe. 558 4226
Mrs Short, 6 Banks Road, Earlwood. 558 1749
Joyce Waterworth, 53 Undercliffe Road, Undercliffe. 559 3798
LAND TITLES

Bardwell 6 acre and 23 acre grants portions 150 and 216

v.1114 f.102 Appn.8543
Lancelot Threlkeld Lloyd, official assignee of the bankrupt estate of William Harris is now the owner of 10ac 11p, part of Sec.1 of the Bardwell Park Estate, and also part of Sec 14 of the Village of Arncliffe. 16/12/1893.
19/12/1893 Transfer to the Union Bank of Australia
21/3/1902 Transfer to Jane Palmer
10/8/1914 Subdivision as DP 7683. Both sides of Bardwell Creek.

Hannam 100 acre grant portion 242

Old System Title 540/294
Reconveyance 28/10/1887
Bank of NSW to the Bucknell family, including W.W. Bucknell and Susan Bucknell of Avondale, Arncliffe
18 acres, part of 100 acres, Wincanton Estate, Wolli Creek and Tempe Estate Corner, to the crossing place to the Ballater Estate.

Application 7387 30/7/1884
20ac 1r 19p, part of Reuben Hannam's 100ac grant, known as the Wincanton Estate.

v.1134 f.239 Application 7387 26/7/1894
Susan Bucknell of Arncliffe, widow, is the owner of 20ac 1r 19p, except the reservation of land within 100 feet of high water mark. Excepting fenced land on the east, including part of a swamp. Deed contains map showing land, bounded on three sides by Wolli Creek, on the south by Arncliffe street. Shows location of buildings, fences and swamp. Transmission 14/8/1914 to William Wentworth Bucknell and D'Arcy Hubert Bucknell.
Transfer 4/8/1914 to Reginald de Vere Bucknell. Transfer 16/5/1929 part to the Railway Commissioners for NSW.

Subdivision before 26/11/1929 as DP 16237.
Transfer 26/11/1929 of Lots 1-4 and 22-28 to Charles Keys and Ah Ching. Continued v.4363 f.88. Plan of full subdivision on this deed.

Transmission of residue 17/5/1933 to Amy May Bucknell.
Transfer 24/9/1946 part from British Electric Products to Hyman Don and Anne Don, with right of way. Continued v.5699 f.192.
Transfer 24/9/1946 part from British Electric Products to Commonwealth Film Laboratories. Continued v.5699 f.191.
New Title v.5699 f.193.

Application 6155 2/6/1885
Samuel Alfred Jeeves (owner) and Mary Ann Cook (holder of mortgage) are the owners of 4ac 0r 8p, 3ac lr 7p and 3ac lr 19p, parts of Reuben Hannam's 100 ac grant, bounded by Wooli [Wolli] Creek and Arncliffe [Arncliffe] Street.

Search of relevant deeds:
35/349 Conveyance 21/8/1854 David Hannay to Thomas Curtis. 14/1/1874 to Robert, William and Albert Curtis. 48/561 Frewen Sleath, part of lot 15, Hannam's 100 ac grant, 3ac 2r 4p on Wooli Creek (Appn.21150) 165/927 John Curtis, 7ac 3r near Wooli [sic] Creek, also portion of the Arncliff [sic] Estate lac 2r 8p.
45/515 Henry Blackwell, part of the Arncliff [sic] Estate 1ac 1r 8p, part of Pike's 100 acre grant.
165/928 Thomas Curtis, 4ac 8p, 3ac 1r 7p and 3ac 1r 19p, portions of R. Hannam's grant of 100 acres, Wolli Creek. 27/1/1877.
195/389 Conveyance to Samuel Jeeves land as above. 25/10/1879.

v.1821 f.95 Appns. 10221 and 14618
Doylah Chappelow, dairyman, is the owner of 4ac 1r 23 1/4p. Lot 5 and part of lot 6 of sec.2 of the Wincanton Estate, and lots 1-12 sec.7 of the Arncliffe Estate. 19/10/1907.
Transfer 20/8/1929 of part to the Railway Commissioners Residue on v.4317 f.82

v.4317 f.82
Catherine Chappelow and Ada Maude Woods are the owners of the residue.
1/7/1936 Notice of death of Catherine Chappelow. 22/3/1937 Transfer part [part?] to John Fairfield
22/3/1937 Transfer part to Council of the Municipality of Rockdale
27/8/1937 Resumption of part for Reede Street Residue (3ac lr 15p) continued on v.4867 f.177

v.4867 f.177
Ada Maude Woods is the owner.
9/8/1945 Transfer to Streets Ice Cream Pty Ltd. Continued on v.5675 f.15.
Thomas Whitaker is the owner of 4a 1r 18 3/4p, near Wolli Creek, bounded by Hannam Street. Lots 1 and 2 and part of lot 3 of section 3 of the Wincanton Estate. Subdivided August 1913 as DP 7121. Continued on v.2534 f.215. Map on deed shows position of house on the northern boundary.

David Hannam is the owner of 4ac 2r 4 1/2p. Bounded by Loftus Street and Arncliffe Street. Transfer 27/10/1909 to Arthur Goddard. Subdivided February 1911 as DP 6062.

Old System Title D/45
Deed of sale 19/8/1828
Arthur Martin to Joshua Thorp
20 acres at Cooks River, on the river bank.

Old System Title G/45
Mortgage by demise 2/4/1834
Arthur Martin to James Norton
100 acres at Cooks River, bounded on the south by Wollar Creek. [Earliest occurrence of the name of Wolli Creek yet found]

Old System Title M/320
Agreement for sale 16/2/1835
Arthur Martin to William Long
100 acres at Lane Cove, 80 acres at Cooks River, and land in Cambridge Street, with an unfinished house thereon. This land was transferred to F.W. Unwin.

Old System Title P/808
Mortgage 4/12/1837
F.W. Unwin to S.A. Perry and Wm. Macpherson
120 acres at Cooks River, and 10 acres Parish of Petersham at Cooks River, together with the dwelling house, cottages, stables and other buildings on the said two parcels of land.

Old System Title X/958
Lease & release 22-23/10/1841
F.W. Unwin to G.A. Kennett
4ac 37p, Village of Wanstead, lots 1-6. Commencing at a mark on the rock on Wolli Creek, bounded on the south by the creek, and on the north by the public road.
Old System Title X/959
Lease & release 22-23/10/1841
F.W. Unwin to G.A. Kennett
13ac 2r, and 4ac, lots 65, 66 and 67, Village of Wanstead, on Cooks River. Mortgaged by Unwin to R.A.A. Morehead and M. Young
11/11/1841 (Y/260)

Old System Title Y/717
Lease & release 13-14/12/1841
F.W. Unwin to Lesslie [Leslie] Duguid
10ac 3r 33p commencing on the South side of Unwin's Road opposite the SE corner of the garden fence ... towards the S by Wolli Creek to a marked oak. Also 37ac 10p ... bounded by Wolli Creek.

Old System Title Z/440
Mortgage 24/1/1842
F.W. Unwin to David Wallace
27ac commencing at the NW corner of the Bridge across Cooks River and bounded on the SE by the road leading to Georges River ...

Old System Title 31/582
Mortgage 1/3/1854
Stephen Hale Alonzo Marsh of Wanstead, Cooks River, to John Pirie Roxburgh. 27ac and two other parcels of land bounded by Cooks River, Wollar Creek, land called Undercliff [Undercliffe] and land called Wanstead. [Unwin went bankrupt, and the land was eventually sold by the trustees of his estate to S.H. Marsh, 28/2/1854].

Old System Title 42/334
Conveyance 28/1/1856
S.H. Marsh to Edward Campbell, merchant
Parcels of land as above, together with the messuage or dwelling house and all other buildings thereon erected.

Packer 50 and 30 acre grants portions 244 and 245

v.1174 f.131 Appn.9590
Francis McBean McLeod and Andrew McCredie (with John Noble) are the owners of 1ac 3r 34p, part of lots 9 & 10 sec 5 of the Australian Trust Company's subdivision of Tempe House and grounds. 25/9/1895. (Gladstone Hotel, Sparke Street). Plan shows land between the Illawarra Railway and Wolli Creek.
Lease 10/4/1889 John McLeod and John Noble to Joseph James Benson for 9 years 4 months.
Assignment of lease 26/4/1889 to George Arthur Akers Assignment of lease 17/5/1892 to Malcolm Cullen Transfer 30/6/1902 to Harry Hampshire.

Pike 100 acre and 50 acre grants portions 217 and 228

Old System Title 9/904
Conveyance 20/8/1845
Trustees of the estate of William Hirst to Edward Salmon
Lot 2, also lots 7,8,9 and 10

See RPA v.142 f.50

Deed contains schedule giving all earlier titles, also diagram of subdivision and location of the "High Road to Wollongong".

v.142 f.50
George King and Samuel Aron Joseph are the proprietors of the above land. Village of Arncliffe. 27/2/1872.
Subdivision deed. Land extends from Wollongong Road to Wentworth Place and "Wolli Street". Contains map.

Old System Title 7/804
Conveyance -/11/1844
Trustees of the estate of William Hirst to William Valentine Thomas.
Lots 4-17, Sec. 3, Village of Arncliffe, auctioned 15/8/1844.

Old System Title 8/374
Conveyance 20/1/1845
Trustees of the estate of William Hirst to William Manners Clarke of Kings Grove. Lots 1-3, 22-26, Sec.5, Village of Arncliffe.

8/375
Conveyance 3/2/1845
William Manners Clarke to John Brown. Land as above.

Old System Title 9/857
Conveyance 21/5/1845

9/861
Conveyance 15/11/1845
Lewis Gordon to Thomas Curtis. 7a 3r, on Woolli [Wolli] Street, near Woolli Creek.
11/538
Conveyance 3/9/1846
Lewis Gordon to Francis Corr. 7a 1r, commencing at the corner of Hannam's land near Wolli Creek, bounded by that creek and a blind creek to the fence.

12/257
Conveyance 5/2/1847
Lewis Gordon to Thomas Hurley. 7a 3r 32p and 4a 3r 30p, Village of Arncliffe. Part of Sections 14 and 15. Deed contains good map showing Gordon's subdivision, creeks, high ground and an "old hut" on Curtis's land.

13/483
Conveyance 27/9/1847
Lewis Gordon to George Morrow. Sec 12, Arncliffe Estate, 9a 3r 13p.

22/130
Conveyance 20/12/1851
Francis Corr to William Favell. 4ac, bounded on the North by Wolli Creek ... to the swamp or blind creek at its confluence with Wolli Creek ... (i.e the west side of Bardwell Creek)

61/293
Conveyance 26/5/1859
Francis Corr to Robert Fitzgerald. 4ac 20p, eastern side of the small creek at its intersection with Wolli Creek.

Old System Title 9/931
Conveyance 16/10/1845
Trustees of the estate of William Hirst to William Richardson. Sec.1, Village of Arncliffe. Contains map of land, showing location of Road to Wollongong and "Kelsey's Public House"

Old System Title 10/178
Conveyance 4/12/1845
Trustees of the estate of William Hirst to John Brown.
Sec. 4, 6 and 11, Village of Arncliffe, 25 acres.

v.2254 f.211 Appn.17518
The Curator of Intestate Estates is the owner of 3ac 3r 17 3/4p, part of sec 6 of the Village of Arncliffe.
Transfer 19/4/1912 to John Curtis of Arncliffe, market gardener.
Subdivided 29/1/1913 as DP 6815. Plan shows a house at the corner of Hannam Street, adjoining.

Old System Title 12/526
Conveyance 1/6/1846
Trustees of the estate of William Hirst to Edward Salamon. Lot 3, also that piece lately in the occupation of Henry Richards, commencing at a fence 3 ch from Calvert's corner.
See RPA v.249 f.238
Polack 100 acre grant portion 223

Old System Title N/897
Lease for seven years 22/10/1838
Abraham Polack to Frederic Charles Ebhart. 790 acres on Cooks River

Polack 100 acre grant portion 225

Old System Title 7/709
Conveyance 25/11/1839
Abraham Polack to Chas. W. Roemer
Allotments 7 and 8, Cooks River, bounded on the S by Wolli Creek.

Old System Title. 7/326
Lease 29/8/1840
Chas. W. Roemer to Wm. Hirst
Allotments 7 & 8. P.A. Tompson, solicitor.

Old System Title 8/520
Conveyance 18/3/1845
Roemer to P.A. Tompson
Allotments 7 and 8.

Old System Title 52/604
Mortgage 10/12/1857
P.A. Tompson to the Australian Trust Company
33a 2r 27p, situated at Wolli Creek, commencing at the western corner of the Mitre Tavern paddock, in Section No.2 on the Illawarra Road... (i.e. the land was subdivided). Also 12ac 3r 9p, situated at Wolli Creek aforesaid, commencing at a point on the northern bank of Wolli Creek and bounded on the NE by a reserved road fifty links wide, about 5ch 901ks to its junction with another reserved road at the northern corner of lot 1 sec 3, thence on the N by that last named reserved road bearing westerly about 15ch 70 lbs to the western corner of lot 2 sec 3, thence on the SW by a line bearing SE about 15ch 301ks dividing it from lot 3 of sec 3 to Wolli Creek and thence on the SE along that creek bearing NE about 14ch 501ks to the point of commencement.

Old System Title 76/586
Mortgage 5/2/1862
P.A. Tompson to the Australian Trust Company
Same Land. "Together with the messuage or tavern called the Mitre Tavern erected on the said lands or on some part thereof".
Old System Title 128/656
    Mortgage W. Gilroy to Permanent Mutual Building Society Same land.
The Australian Trust Company sold the land to Gilroy on 2/10/1871.

Old System Title, 133/622
    Conveyance 21/12/1872
    W. Gilroy to Strange Butson Hartigan
    Same land.

Old System Title 140/964
    Conveyance, S.B. Hartigan to Margaret, his wife. Same land.

Old System Title 188/720
    Conveyance 4/3/1879
    Margaret Hartigan to J.F. Hodges.
    Same land.

Old System Title 193/522
    Conveyance 7/8/1879
    J.F. Hodges to Andrew Alfred Wakely
    Same land. Mortgaged the same day to C.B. Bond.

Old System Title 217/673
    Conveyance 23/4/1881
    C.B. Bond to Jane Earl, widow.

Old System Title 44/377
    Conveyance 28/7/1856
    Piddocke Arthur Tompson to John Burton of Wooloomooloo
    10 acres on the New Illawarra Road, adjoining land leased to Joseph
    Bishop [i.e. the “Mitre Tavern”]

    See RPA v.1008 f.197a Appn.8166
Sylvester 100 acre grant portion 107

v.2624 f.225


Plan of the land on this deed shows the change in line of New Illawarra Road 27/11/1934, and the resumption of an easement affecting a rectangular piece of land on lots 49 and 50 by the Minister for Public Works as constructing authority, 23/1/1942. This subdivision is also shown in Water Board plans, Canterbury Sheets 234 and 235. This shows the sewer line, but no other buildings in the easement area.

v.1713 f.8

Permanent Trustee Co. of N.S.W. is the owner of 28ac 1r 20p, part of portion 107. (i.e. the "Coventry" subdivision)

v.1892 f.203

(from v.1757 f.96 and v.1793 f.8, appns. 14194 and 14196)
The Intercolonial Investment Land and Building Society Ltd., transferee from the Permanent Trustee Co. of N.S.W. is the owner of two parcels of land. 51ac 1r 3p, part of portion 107; and 12ac 3r 31p, part of Portions 107, 108 (John Riley's grant) and portion 225 (Abraham Polack's grant). 20/7/1908.

Subdivided 1909 as DP 5327, Campbell Hill Estate. Blocks from 8ac at the top of the hill to 1ac on Morgan Street.

Individual lots of this estate were resubdivided: 6/6/1925 lot 1 "Jack's Main Street Estate" 17/10/1925 lots 8,9,11,12 "Railway View Estate" 29/10/1927 lot 2 (pt.) "The Pines Estate" 15/2/1930 lot 2 (pt.) "Harmount Estate"

v.3142 f.36

Appn. 22688
C.E. Petrie is the owner of 5ac 3r 39 3/4p. ("The Pines?") Part of Portion 107.
8/2/1923 Transfer to Daniel Sturgess of Sydney, gentleman and Mary Ann his wife.
1/6/1927 Transfer to Roy Neville Malley, Raymond James Gartrell, Gerald Keith Connell and Ronald Talbot Smyth King as tenants in common. Continued on v.4021 f.115-118.
Thorp (formerly Briely) 30 acre grant portion 241

Old System Title K/495
Agreement for sale 1/11/1836
Robert Roberts 'to Joshua Thorp. 30 acres of land at "Wollo [Wolli] Creek", District of Botany Bay

N.S.W. Government Gazette 15/3/1837 p.257
Court of Claims case no.73
Joshua Thorp, 30 acres at Cooks River ... bounded east by a creek running into Cook's River, called Woolli [Wolli] Creek.

N.S.W. Government Gazette 10/5/1837 p.415
Advertisement of land in Joshua Thorp's favour.

Old System Title R/149
Lease and release 9-10/3/1840
Joshua Thorp and Sarah Ann his wife to Frederic Wright Unwin. 50 acres and 30 acres, bounded on the south and east by a creek running into Cooks River called Woolli [Wolli] Creek ... with the messuage or tenement thereon erected and built.

Old System Title 13/25
Conveyance 20/5/1847
F.W. Unwin and Anne King his wife to trustees. Portions of Joshua Thorp's 50 acres, bounded in part by Leslie Duguid's land (i.e. Thorp's 30 acres).

Old System Title 21/419
Conveyance 21/3/1851
Trustees of F.W. Unwin to Oswald Bloxsome and Thomas Iceton. Portions of Joshua Thorp's 50 acres, bounded in part by Leslie Duguid's land.

Old System Title 42/345
Conveyance 15/12/1856
Leslie Duguid and the trustees of Anne Duguid his wife to Edward Campbell, merchant. 11a 2r 31p, part of land conveyed by F.W. Unwin to Robert Gill and Donald Larnach in trust for Anne Duguid 30/9/1842.

Old System Title 51/550
Conveyance 21/7/1857
Land, in total 56a 6p, with a capital messuage or dwelling house (i.e. "Ballater"), Sold 14/12/1841 Unwin to Duguid, 37a 10p. Sold 6/6/1855 Hayley to Davis, 56a 6p. Sold 1/5/1857 Duguid to Hayley and Davis 37a 10p. Sold 21/7/1857 Hayley and Davis to John Hamilton.
Old System Title 55/821
Conveyance 23/6/1858
John Hamilton to Edward Bradridge. 56a 6p with a dwelling house.


Mortgage 147/895 9/2/1875
Edward Bradridge to George Jenkin. 56a 6p Mortgagor will keep the messuage known as Ballater House in good and tenantable repair, and keep the property insured.

No mention of house on mortgage 177/292 15/1/1878.

See RPA v.739 f.219 Appn.6145
also RPA v.3742 f.59

v.739 f.219
Edward Bradridge is the owner of 58 acres. 15/4/1885
Transfer 12/1/1886 to Joseph Hector Carruthers.
Continued on v.1323 f.32, v.1323 f.3 & 4

v.1514 f.194
Joseph Hector Carruthers is the owner of 38a 2r 18 1/2p. 1/2/1904
Transfer 7/11/1906 to the Perpetual Trustee Co. Ltd.

Portion transferred 14/12/1911 to William Jackson of part, plus a right of way. Continued on v.2240 f.162

Portion transferred to David Shackel, with right of way, 14/12/1911.
Continued on v.2250 f.211.

v.2240 f.162
William Jackson of Wanstead near Sydney, gardener is the owner of 7a 30p 1/4/1912. Includes a right of way (High Cliff Road).

v.2250 f.211
David Shackel of Cooma, storekeeper is the owner of land subdivided as DP 6636.
Transfer of part to William Jackson 31/12/1912.
Continued on v.2415 f.209

v.2415 f.209 (Consolidation deed)
William Jackson of Marrickville, quarryman, is the owner of 9a 24 1/2p. Includes a right of way (High Cliff Road) and right of running water.

Transfer 16/10/1920 of part to Walter Franklin (with right of way). Southern portion of property, bordering Wolli Creek. Continued on v.3285 f.42.

Transfer 13/3/1920 of part to the Minister for Public Works. Eastern portion of property, bordering High Cliff Road and Wolli Creek.
Continued on v.3335 f.189
v.3335 f.249
William Jackson of Undercliffe, builder, is the owner of 3r 6p, lots 1-6, DP 11103, with land adjoining. Contains good map of Jackson's land transfers. Transfer 5/9/1923 of small portion bordering High Cliff Road to William Woods of Undercliffe, farmer.

Old System Title 263/907
Conveyance 26/2/1883
Edward Bradridge and Samuel Lyons to William Wentworth Bucknell jr and H.S. Jeannerett. 5a 7p, forming portion of Joshua Thorp's 30 acres.

See RPA v.686 f.158-9 Appn.5761

v.686 f.158
William Wentworth Bucknell jr. and Henry Stanley Jeanneret are the owners of 5a 27 1/2p 6/3/1884 Transfer 16/2/1898 to Susan Bucknell of Arncliffe

See v.1245 f.3