



In the News

Sutton Mandeville

WILTS MIDSUMMER SESSIONS

The General Quarter Sessions for this county commenced on Tuesday last at Warminster.

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COUNTY BRIDGES – The County Surveyor reported that some repairs were necessary to Staverton and Sutton Mandeville Bridges – the expence of the former he estimated at £5, the latter at £14 10s. An application was also made for £150 on account of the work now in progress at Enford Bridge. Orders were granted by the court.

(Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette –Thursday 4 July, 1844)

WILTS QUARTER SESSIONS

Some important questions are set down for discussion at the Wilts Quarter Sessions to be held at Devizes on New Year's Day. The Court will proceed to the Election of a Chaplain for the Prison at Fisherton Anger..... A motion will be made that Panhurst Bridge, in the parish of Sutton Mandeville, be widened and improved at the expense of the County;

(Salisbury and Winchester Journal –Saturday 29 December, 1866)

WILTS QUARTER SESSIONS

The Wilts Hilary Sessions commenced at the Assize Courts, Devizes, on Tuesday last, and the business to be transacted being of an important character, the attendance of magistrates was large.

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COUNTY BRIDGES

On the motion of Mr JOHN LOCKE, seconded by Captain WYNDHAM, the following motion was agreed to:- "That the road approaching Panhurst Bridge, in the parish of Sutton Mandeville, be widened, and the bank rounded off at the expense of the county, no exceeding 5 £."

The COUNTY SURVEYOR reported that since the last sessions he had been called upon to repair twelve additional bridges which had come under the control of the county owing to the abolition of turnpikes. He had inspected those bridges, and entertained no doubt about ten of them, but he had refused to take under his charge one of them in the parish of Wyllye, being an artificial watercourse used for the purposes of irrigation. The other was over a ditch or flood along which no water flowed. He apprehended that the bridges were built by the trustees of the turnpike, but there was no evidence of their having been repaired since they were built.

The CHAIRMAN said if the bridges were built with money of the trust, and the county stood in the position of the trustees, he was afraid they could not get out of repairing them.

It was eventually decided, on the suggestion of Mr FULLER, to call the Bridge Committee together to examine the bridges in question, and, pending their report, the Court should make no order on the subject.

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