

## Map 6

### Brookfield (Manuscript) Roads in 1785

This map describes how Brookfield was created. In 1729, Colonel Jim Dwight surveyed Brookfield. According to his knowledge the east boundary line of Brookfield was (South 0 Degrees 30' East 30', 9 Miles 15,200). The other boundary lines of Brookfield, which are presently in the same position, are between Western and Brookfield. The boundary lines found between New Braintree and Oakham were surveyed between the year 1766 and 1774. In 1660, residents of Ipswich obtained a grant from the General Court for six square miles near Quaboag. Quaboag was the home of numerous tribes of Indians. In 1664, Shattoeckquis or (Shadookis) sold land for 800 Fathoms of Wampampeage to the English so they could create a plantation at Quaboag. This chunk of land starts at a little meadow at the North side of the Quaboag Pond called Podunk, then to a hill Wullamannack, and from there Northward and then East about three miles and Westward off to the north and to Wickaboag Pond. The land between they call Nacommuck and to the plain to Wickaboag pond and from Lashaway down the river to a brook called Nawltang and up that brook to the head of it Southward and then from the head of that brook to the verge of a hill called Ashquash. Then down Southward to Quaboag pond. In 1673 the residents were integrated into a township by the name of Brookfeild (spelled this way during this time period). In 1675 the town was burnt and destroyed, but was settled afterward, in 1687. Now in 1719, the limits were extended and were fixed to the agreeable original boundaries. Since then a part has been cut off to make the town of Western, then another part of New Braintree and a final piece added to Ware, this leaves Brookfield in the irregular form in which it appears on this map.

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