

Map 7

Greater Brookfield's Second Beginning 1686-1692

This map demonstrates the development of Brookfield. A component of this map is the overlay that denotes the original plantation and the original town boundary lines. The overlay shows the original location of North Brookfield, East Brookfield, Brookfield, West Brookfield and Western (Warren). It also shows various Indian tribes and the original town boundary, which is a six-mile square or 36 square mile grant given in 1660. Underneath the overlay it is obvious that the town's boundary lines expanded significantly from showing the First settlement of six square miles on the overlay to the Second settlement of eight square miles, settled in 1673. A distinct element to this map is the showing of the locations, names of residence and dates where residents were once settled. Also shows the location of the roads, including New Bay Path (1673); the boundary lines separating the First Parish, Second Parish, Third Parish and East Village; and later to be added is 500 Acres in 1717, Western in 1741, part of Ware in June 1750 and part of New Braintree in 1750.

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