Monumental Inscriptions
St Leonard's Church, Church Street, Seaford
Section Plans

St Leonard's, like most churches, had no record of where burials had taken place in its churchyard, or where memorials had been placed inside the church itself. The two previous surveys – by Henry Simmons in 1860 and Wood/Landrock in 1999 *(see Sources)* – had not provided what we judged to be sufficiently accurate descriptions or plans of where individual graves were located. As at St Peter's, Rodney Castleden therefore undertook the difficult and painstaking task of mapping both the church and graveyard.

Some adjustments were required as reading the inscriptions proceeded (and a number of stones were found to be illegible), to arrive at what we hope will enable visitors looking for particular memorials to locate them. The graveyard was divided into Sections A to J, and plot numbers allocated to the grave markers which bore recordable inscriptions. The dividing lines between these Sections are not always readily identifiable, particularly in the larger Eastern area, but they do have a logic and we hope the "navigational aids" included on these plans will prove helpful.

When seeking a particular plot, start with the number. "C08" for example means Plot 8 in Section C. Names have been included, but some surnames occur frequently so please orientate yourself using the Section Plan and then count the numbers.

Many of the stones have weathered and what we sometimes spent considerable time cleaning and deciphering may not now be immediately legible. If seeking an outdoor memorial, it is often wise to equip oneself with a mirror (to reflect sunlight across the face of a stone) and/or a water spray and small brush. Water is available from the tap beside the Church Street entrance to Section A. Sometimes water by itself is sufficient to throw lettering into relief.

These plans were first included as black-and-white diagrams with numbers only, designed as they were to be read with the text in "*Testimony of Regard*", the published book of recorded inscriptions (no longer in print). They have been enlarged here and names, colour and some clues added. Being an old graveyard, it can be difficult to navigate.

We hope you will find your visit worthwhile.

Key to symbols and letters used:

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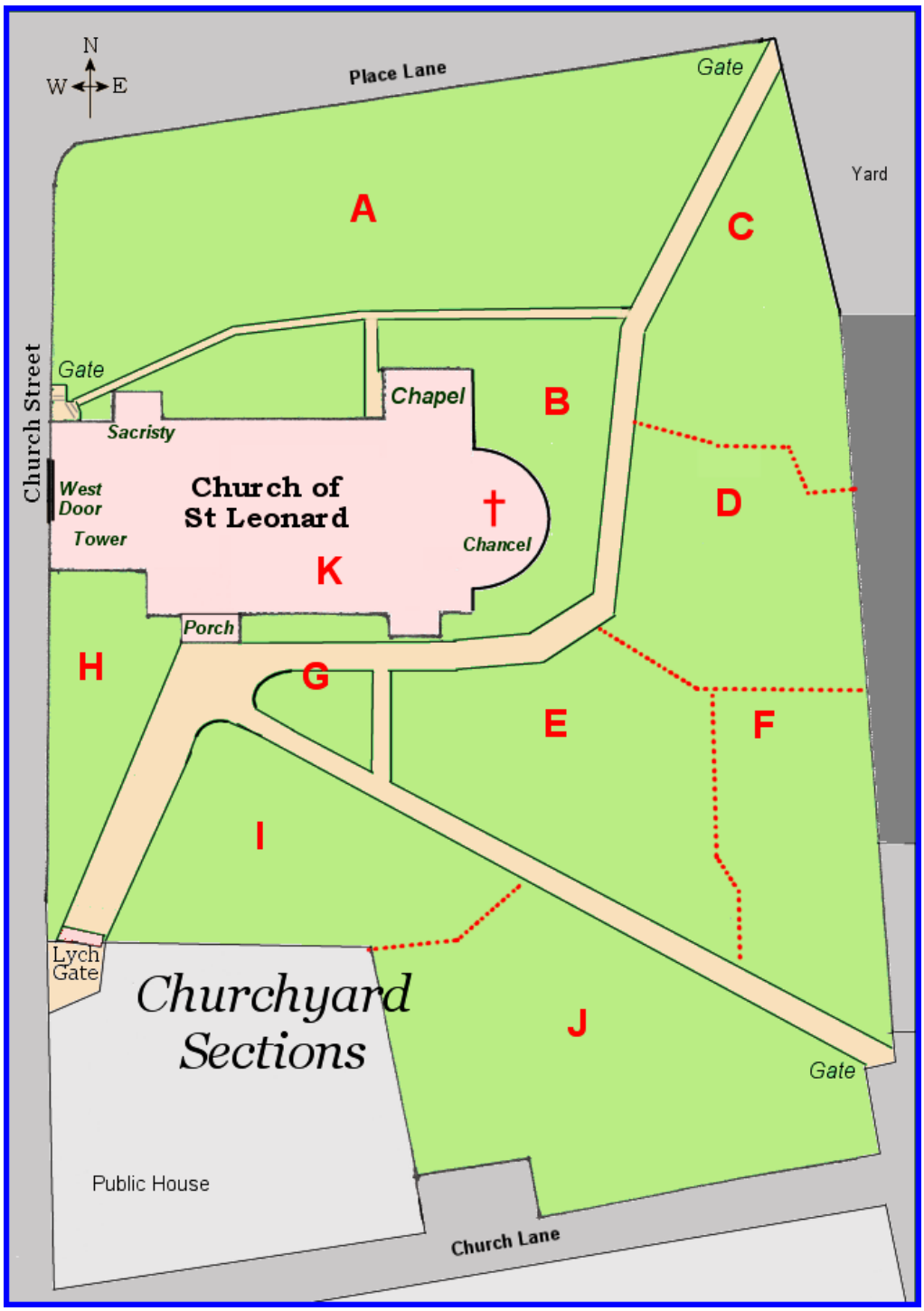
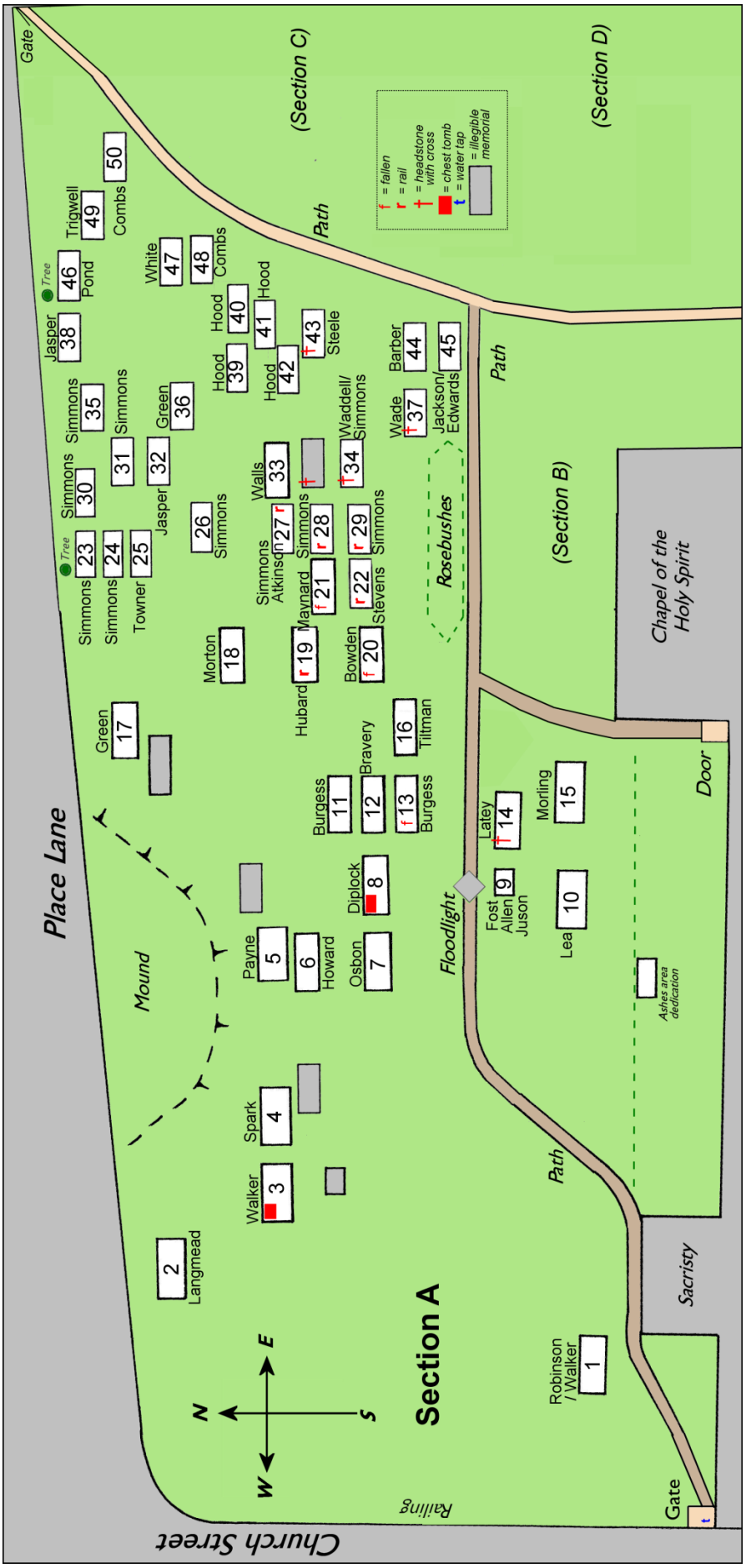
The Sections



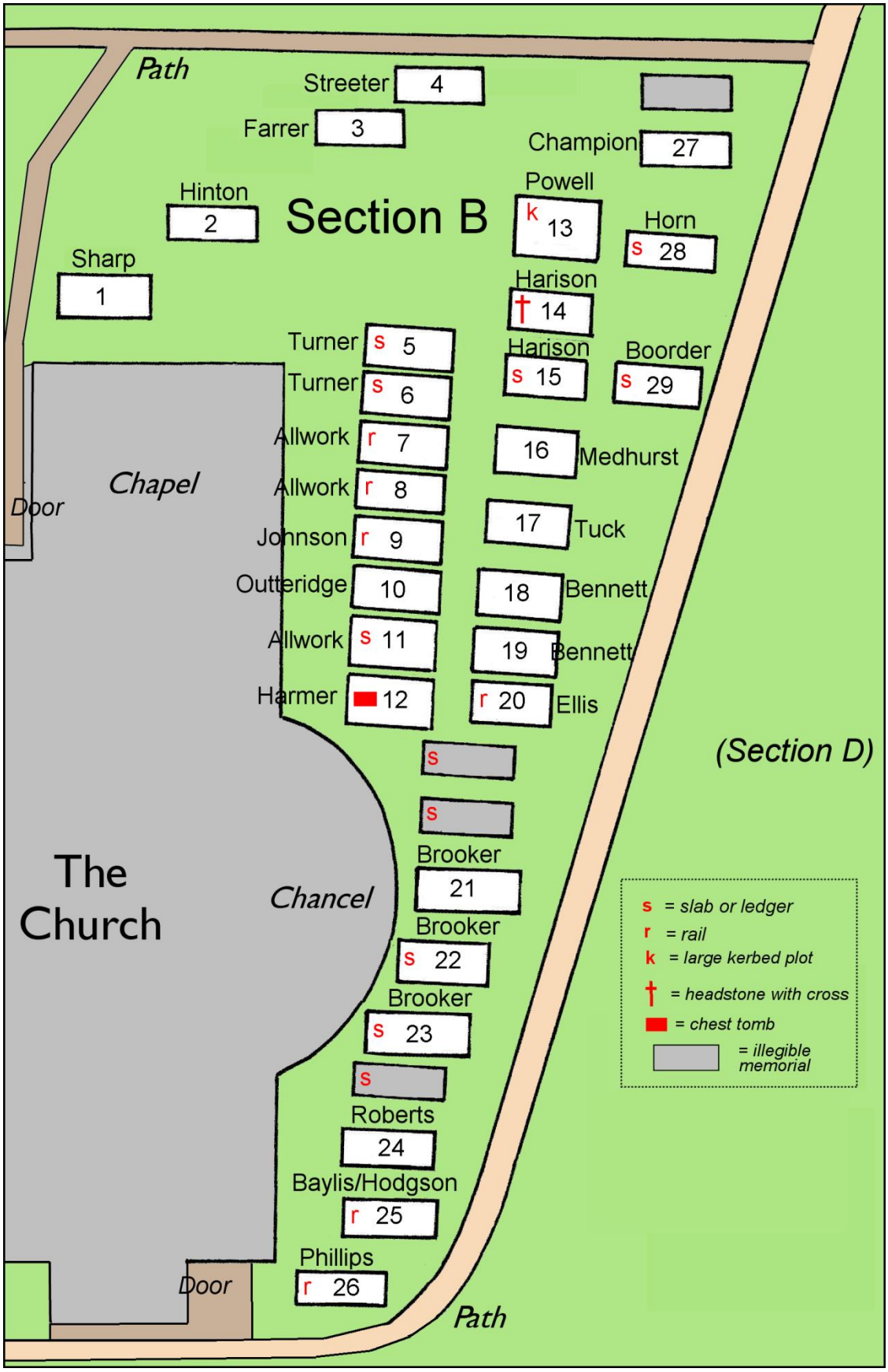
The Church and Churchyard have been divided into 11 Sections. We have tried to use the paths as borders, but the larger areas to the South and East had to be sub-divided to keep numbers reasonable. The dotted lines shown above are logical (in terms of trying to group families together), but this may not be immediately apparent.

Each legible memorial has been given a plot number. To aid navigation to particular plots, the plans which follow have clues to aid recognition: the red rectangle denoting a chest tomb and red “k” indicating a larger, kerbed plot, are probably the most helpful.

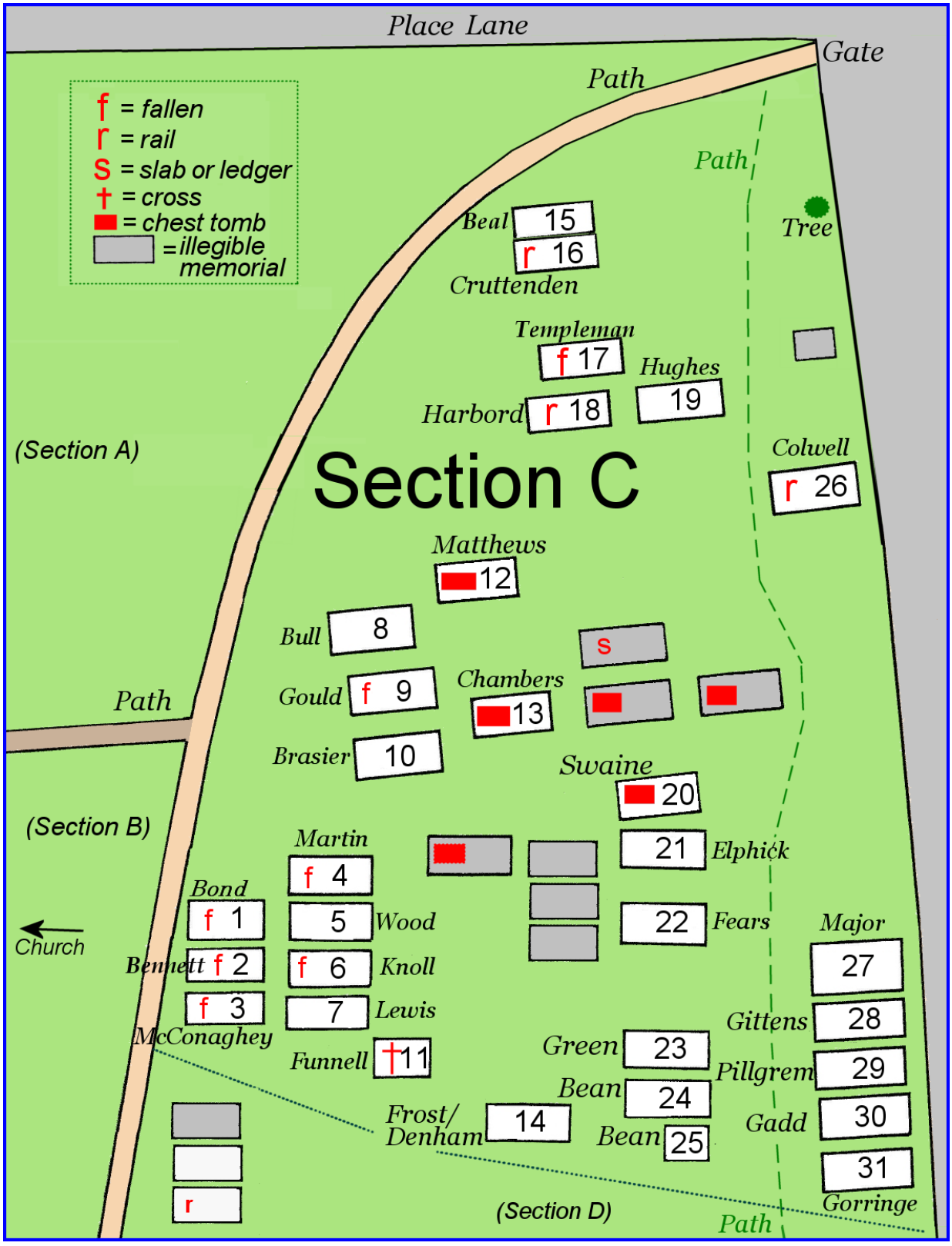
Section A


Place Lane
Church Street
Railing
Gate
Mound
Path
(Section C)
(Section D)
(Section B)
Chapel of the Holy Spirit
Door
Sacristy
Floodlight
Rosebushes
Ashes area dedication
Section A
N
E
S
W
f = fallen
r = rail
= headstone with cross
= chest tomb
= water tap
= illegible memorial
Tree
Pond
Trigwell 49
Combs 50
White 47
Combs 48
Hood 40
Hood 41
Steele 43
Hood 39
Hood 42
Barber 44
Jackson/ Edwards 45
Waddell/ Simmons 34
Wade 37
Jasper 38
Simmons 35
Simmons 31
Green 36
Jasper 32
Simmons 30
Simmons 23
Simmons 24
Towner 25
Simmons 26
Walls 33
Simmons 27
Simmons 28
Simmons 29
Simmons Atkinson
Maynard 21
Stevens 22
Morton 18
Hubard 19
Bowden 20
Green 17
Bravery 16
Tiltman
Burgess 11
Bravery 12
Burgess 13
Latey 14
Morling 15
Fost 9
Allen
Juson
Lea 10
Diplock 8
Osbon 7
Payne 5
Howard 6
Spark 4
Walker 3
Langmead 2
Robinson / Walker 1
Gate

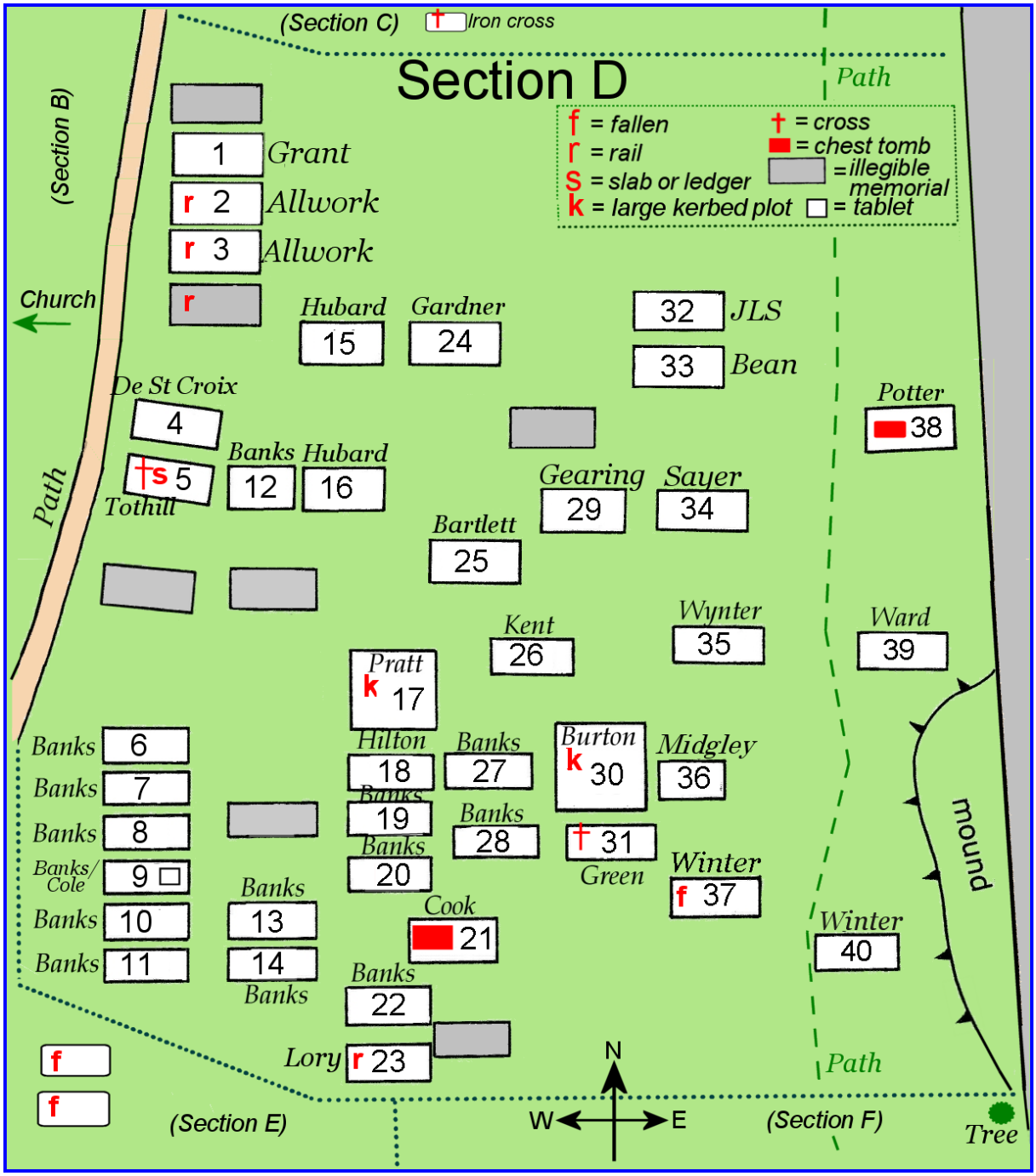
Section B


Path
Streeter 4
Farrer 3
Champion 27
Hinton 2
Section B
Powell k 13
Horn s 28
Sharp 1
Harison † 14
Turner s 5
Harison s 15
Boorder s 29
Turner s 6
Allwork r 7
16 Medhurst
Chapel
Door
Allwork r 8
Johnson r 9
17 Tuck
Outteridge 10
18 Bennett
Allwork s 11
19 Bennett
Harmer 12
r 20 Ellis
(Section D)
s
s
Brooker 21
The Church
Chancel
Brooker s 22
Brooker s 23
s
Roberts 24
Baylis/Hodgson r 25
Phillips r 26
Door
Path
s = slab or ledger
r = rail
k = large kerbed plot
† = headstone with cross
= chest tomb
= illegible memorial

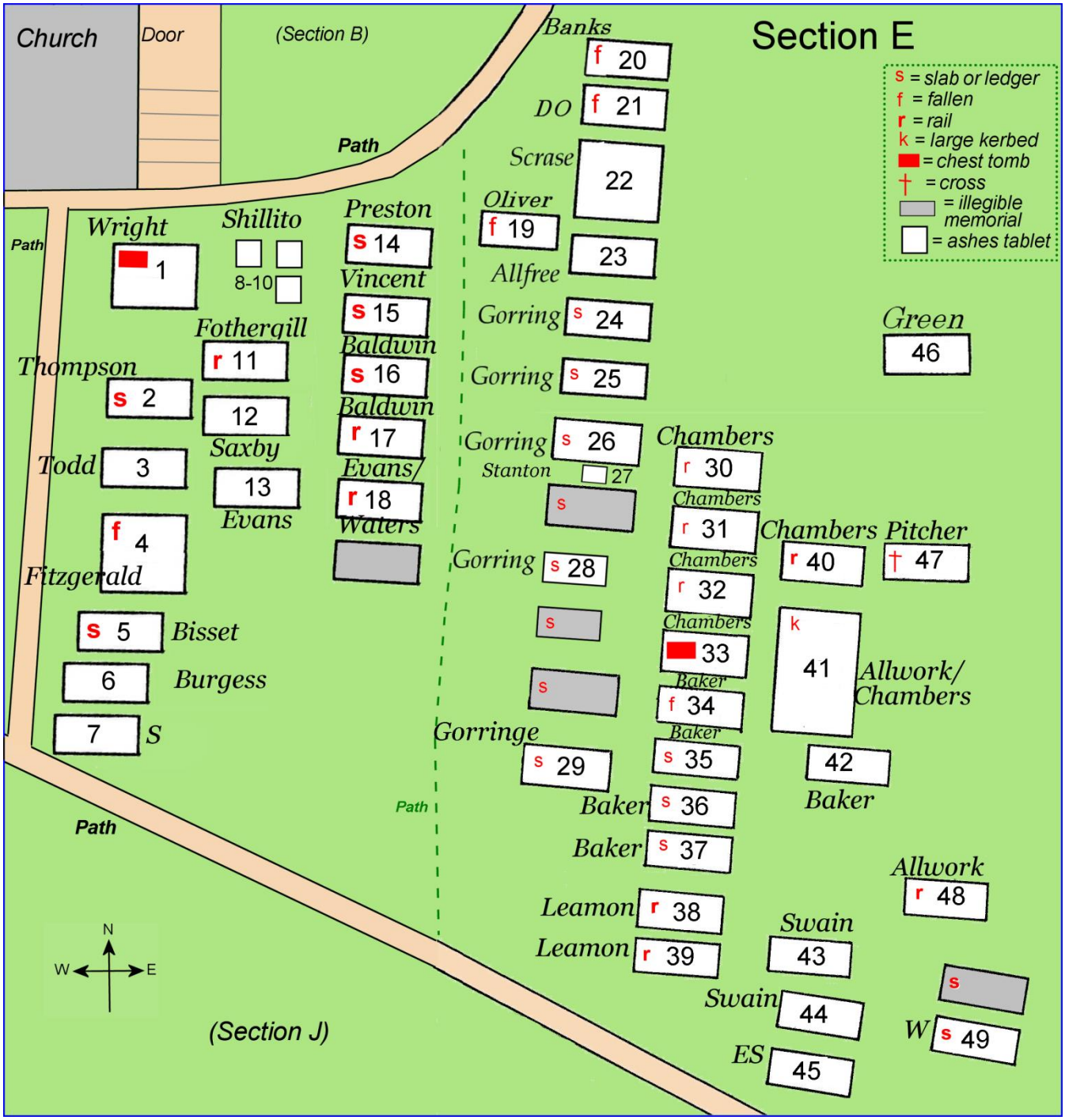
Section C


Place Lane
Gate
Path
Path
Tree
f = fallen
r = rail
S = slab or ledger
† = cross
= chest tomb
= illegible memorial
Beal
15
r 16
Cruttenden
Templeman
f 17
Hughes
19
Harbord
r 18
(Section A)
Section C
Colwell
r 26
Matthews
12
Bull
8
S
Gould
f 9
Chambers
13
Path
Brasier
10
Swaine
20
(Section B)
Martin
f 4
21
Elphick
Bond
f 1
5
Wood
22
Fears
Major
27
Church
Bennett
f 2
f 6
Knoll
Gittens
28
f 3
7
Lewis
McConaghey
Green
23
Pillgrem
29
Funnell
†11
Bean
24
Gadd
30
Frost/
Denham
14
Bean
25
31
Gorringe
r
(Section D)
Path

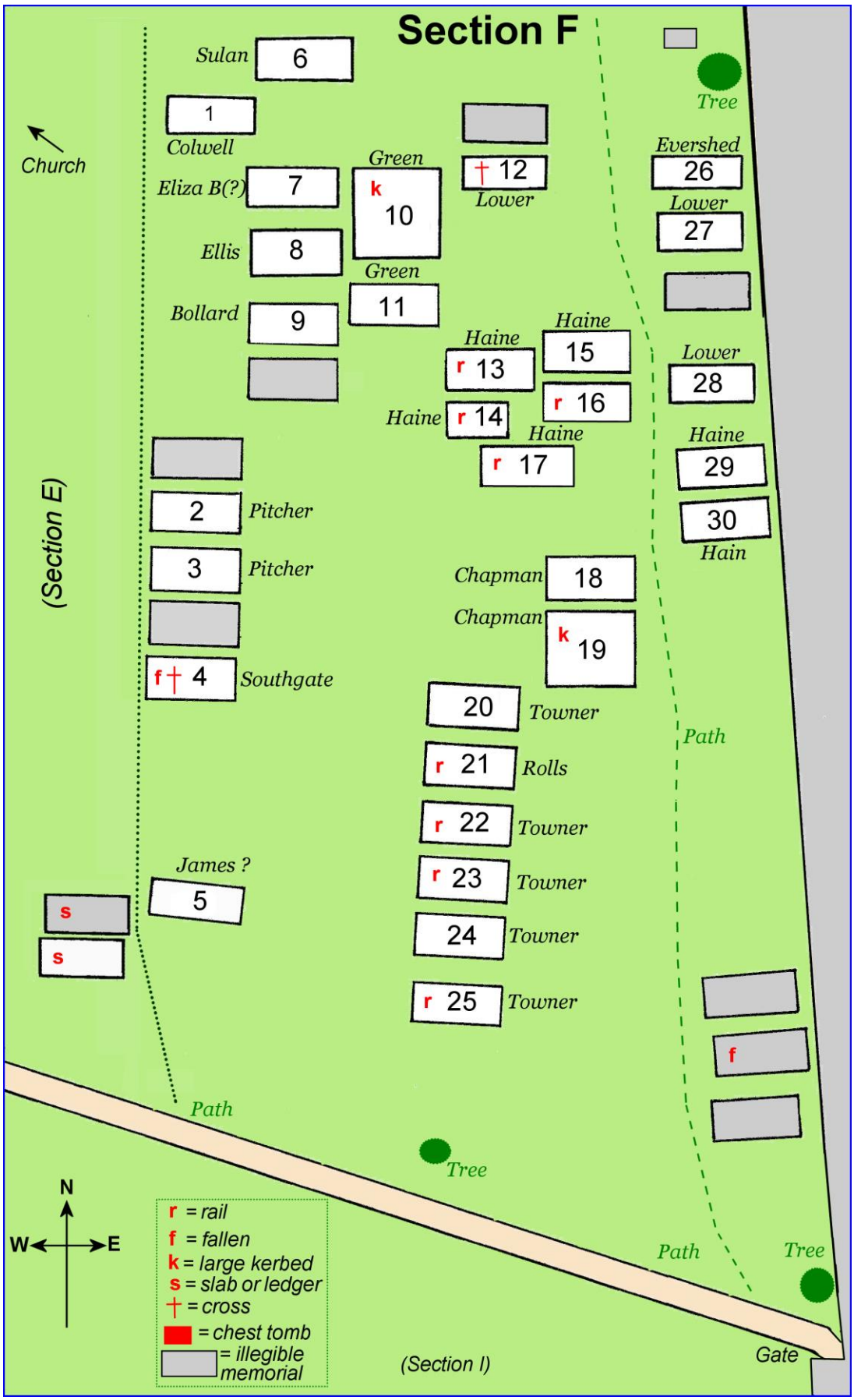
Section D


Section D
(Section C)
Iron cross
Path
(Section B)
f = fallen
r = rail
S = slab or ledger
k = large kerbed plot
† = cross
= chest tomb
= illegible memorial
= tablet
1 Grant
r 2 Allwork
r 3 Allwork
r
Church
Hubard 15
Gardner 24
32 JLS
33 Bean
Potter 38
De St Croix 4
†s 5 Tothill
Banks 12
Hubard 16
Gearing 29
Sayer 34
Bartlett 25
Path
Kent 26
Wynter 35
Ward 39
Pratt k 17
Banks 6
Banks 7
Banks 8
Banks/Cole 9
Banks 10
Banks 11
Hilton 18
Banks 19
Banks 20
Banks 27
Banks 28
Burton k 30
† 31 Green
Midgley 36
Winter f 37
Banks 13
Banks 14
Banks
Cook 21
Banks 22
Lory r 23
Winter 40
mound
f
f
(Section E)
N
W
E
(Section F)
Path
Tree

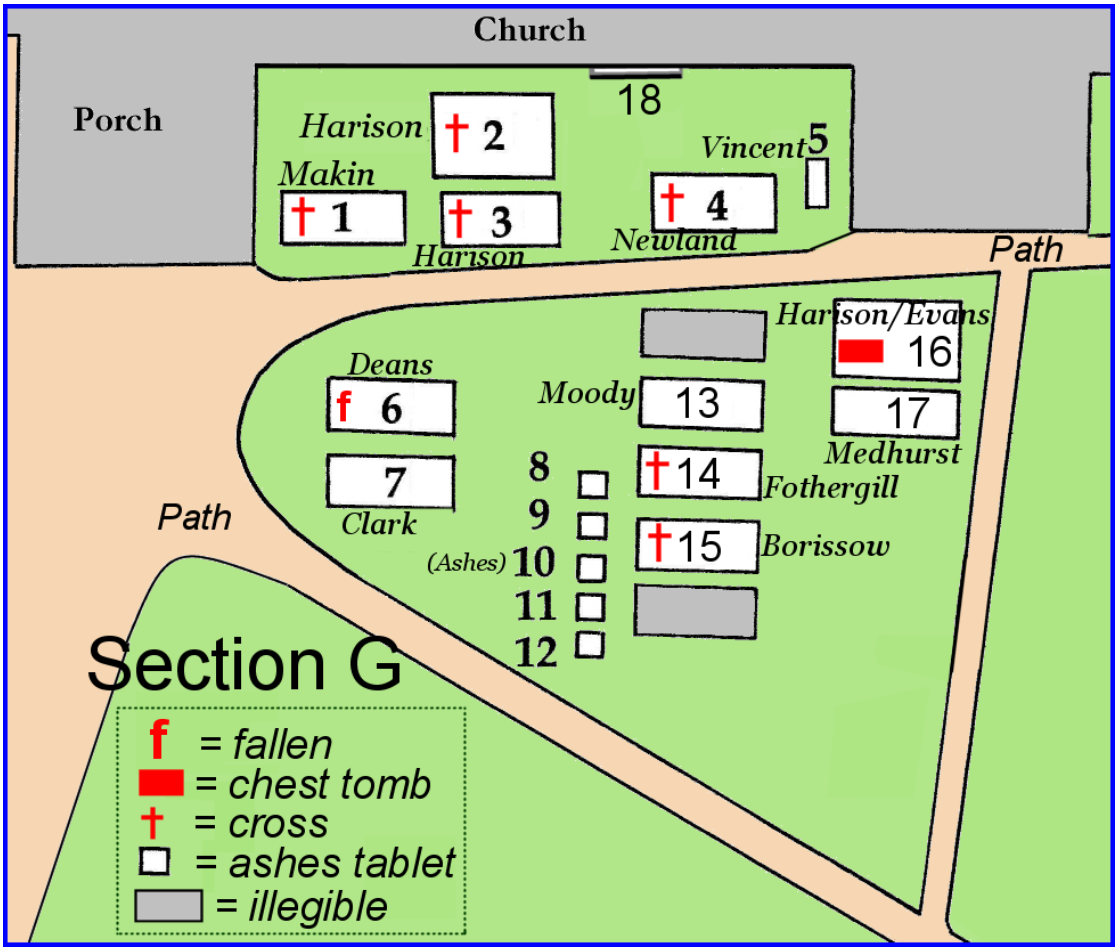
Section E


Church
Door
(Section B)
Path
Path
Path
Path
Section E
s = slab or ledger
f = fallen
r = rail
k = large kerbed
= chest tomb
† = cross
= illegible memorial
= ashes tablet
Banks
f 20
DO
f 21
Scrase
22
Oliver
f 19
23
Allfree
Gorring
s 24
Gorring
s 25
Green
46
Wright
1
Shillito
8-10
Preston
s 14
Vincent
s 15
Baldwin
s 16
Baldwin
r 17
Evans/
Waters
r 18
Fothergill
r 11
12
Saxby
13
Evans
Thompson
s 2
Todd
3
f 4
Fitzgerald
s 5
Bisset
6
Burgess
7
S
Gorring
s 26
Stanton
27
s
Gorring
s 28
s
s
Gorringe
s 29
Chambers
r 30
Chambers
r 31
Chambers
r 32
Chambers
33
Baker
f 34
Baker
s 35
Baker
s 36
Baker
s 37
Chambers Pitcher
r 40
† 47
k
41
Allwork/
Chambers
42
Baker
Allwork
r 48
Leamon
r 38
Leamon
r 39
Swain
43
Swain
44
ES
45
s
W
s 49
N
W
E
(Section J)

Section F


Section F
Sulan 6
1
Colwell
Church
Eliza B(?) 7
Green
k 10
Ellis 8
Green
11
Bollard 9
† 12
Lower
Tree
Evershed 26
Lower 27
Haine r 13
Haine 15
Haine r 14
r 16
Haine r 17
Lower 28
Haine 29
30
Hain
2 Pitcher
3 Pitcher
f † 4 Southgate
(Section E)
Chapman 18
Chapman k 19
20 Towner
r 21 Rolls
r 22 Towner
r 23 Towner
24 Towner
r 25 Towner
Path
James ? 5
s
s
f
Path
Tree
Path
Tree
Gate
(Section I)
N
W
E
r = rail
f = fallen
k = large kerbed
s = slab or ledger
† = cross
= chest tomb
= illegible memorial

Section G



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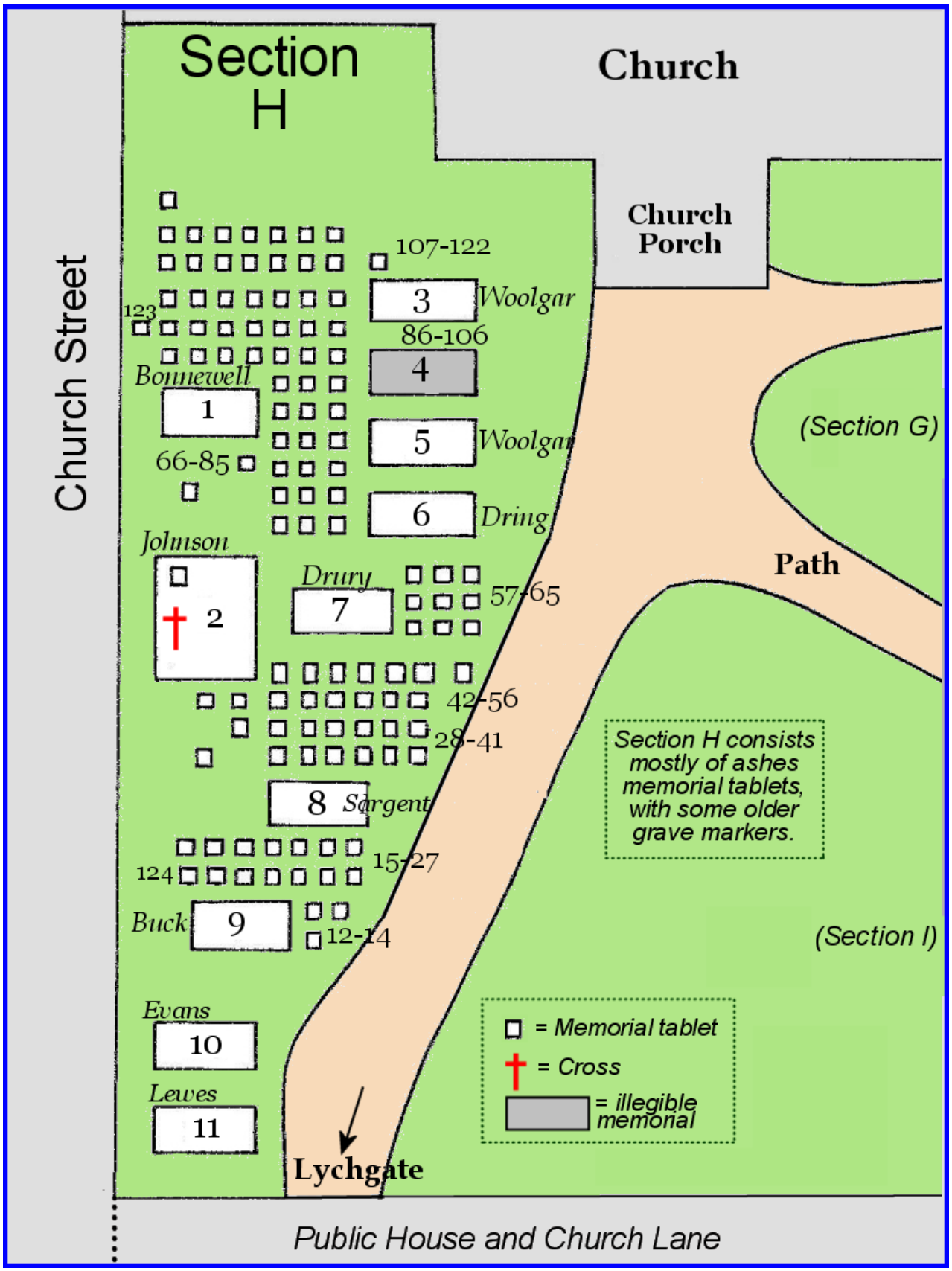
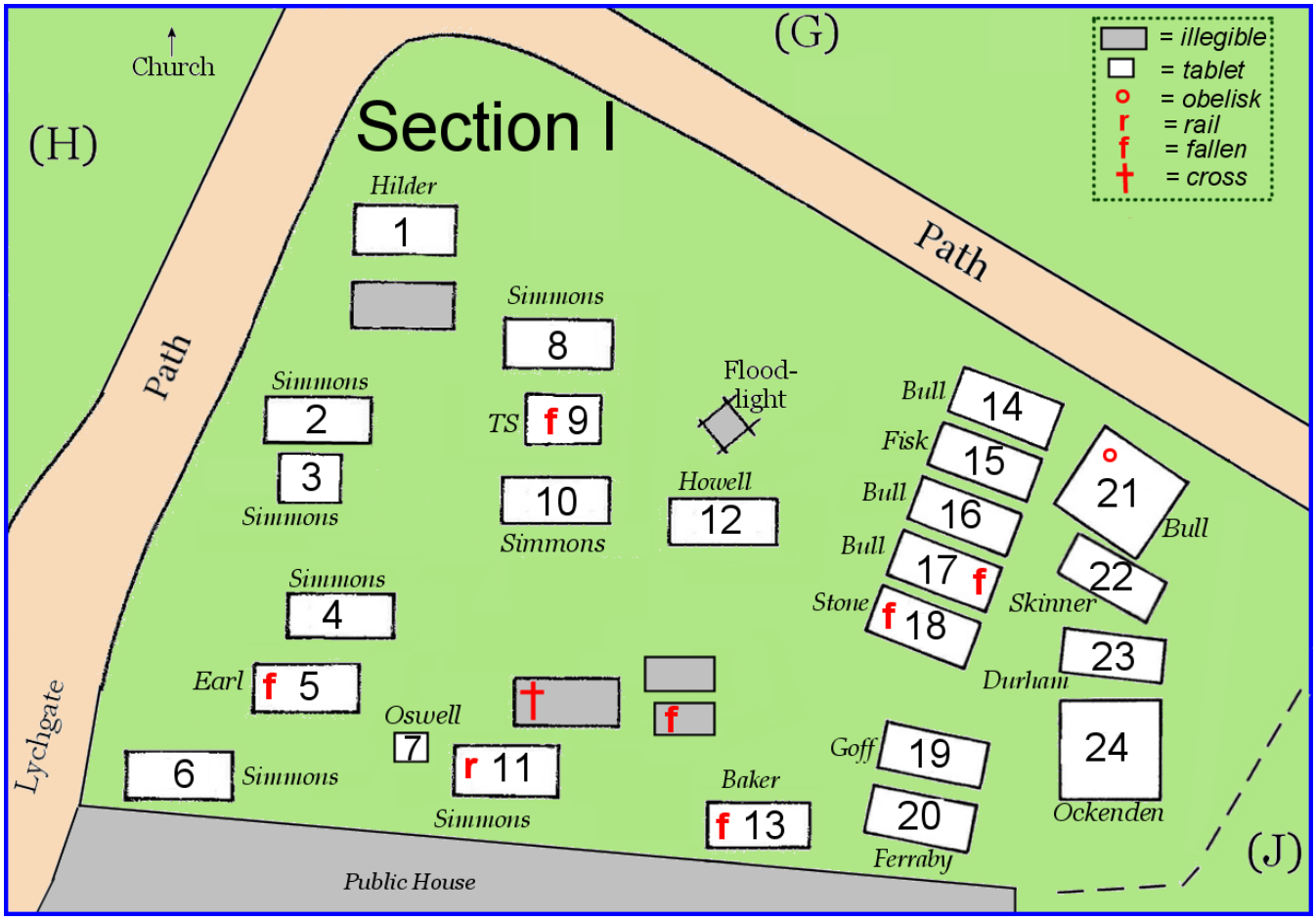
Section H


Section H
Church
Church Porch
Church Street
107-122
3
Woolgar
123
86-106
4
Bonnewell
1
5
Woolgar
66-85
6
Dring
Johnson
2
Drury
7
57-65
42-56
28-41
8
Sargent
15-27
124
Buck
9
12-14
Evans
10
Lewes
11
Lychgate
(Section G)
Path
Section H consists mostly of ashes memorial tablets, with some older grave markers.
(Section I)
= Memorial tablet
= Cross
= illegible memorial
Public House and Church Lane



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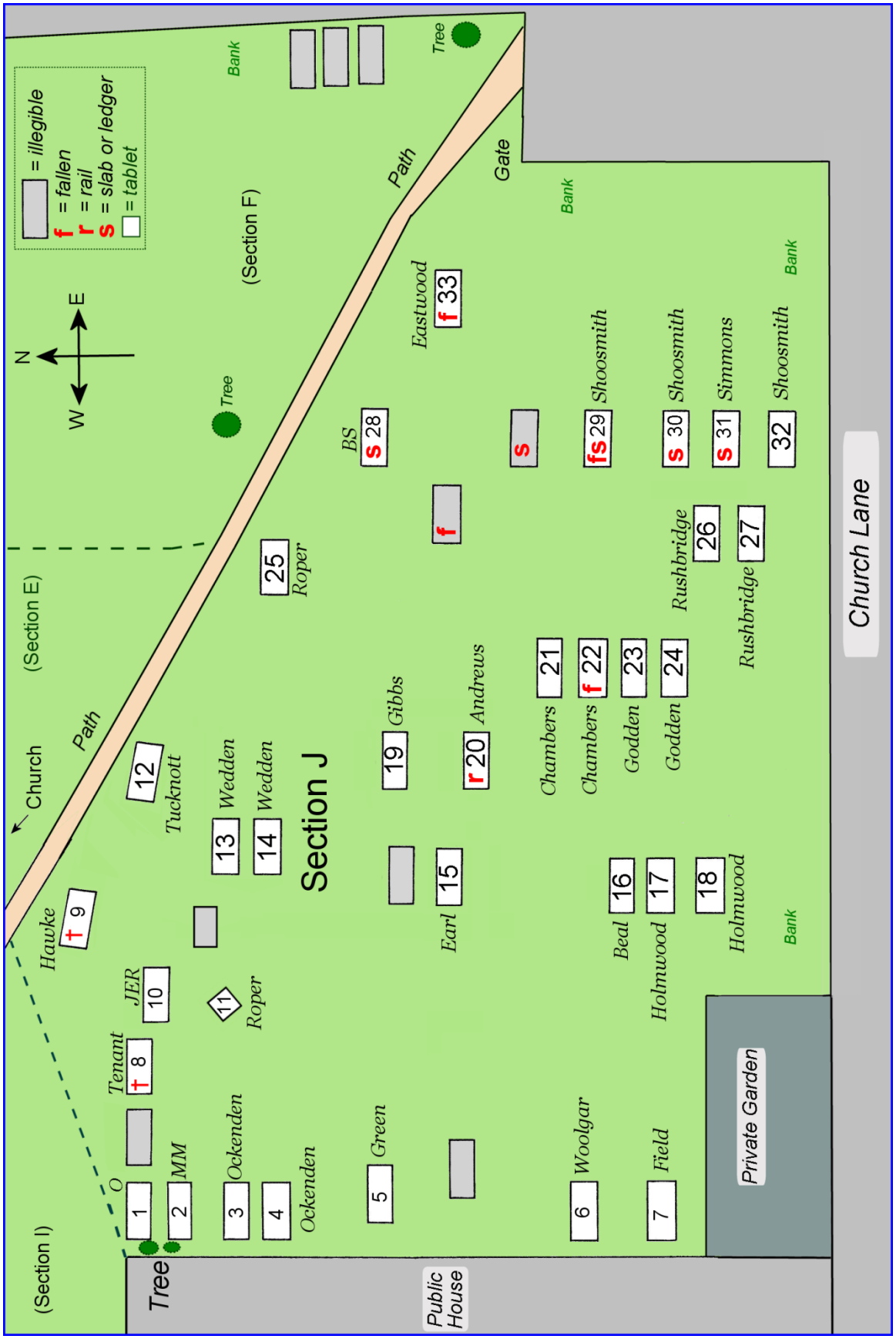
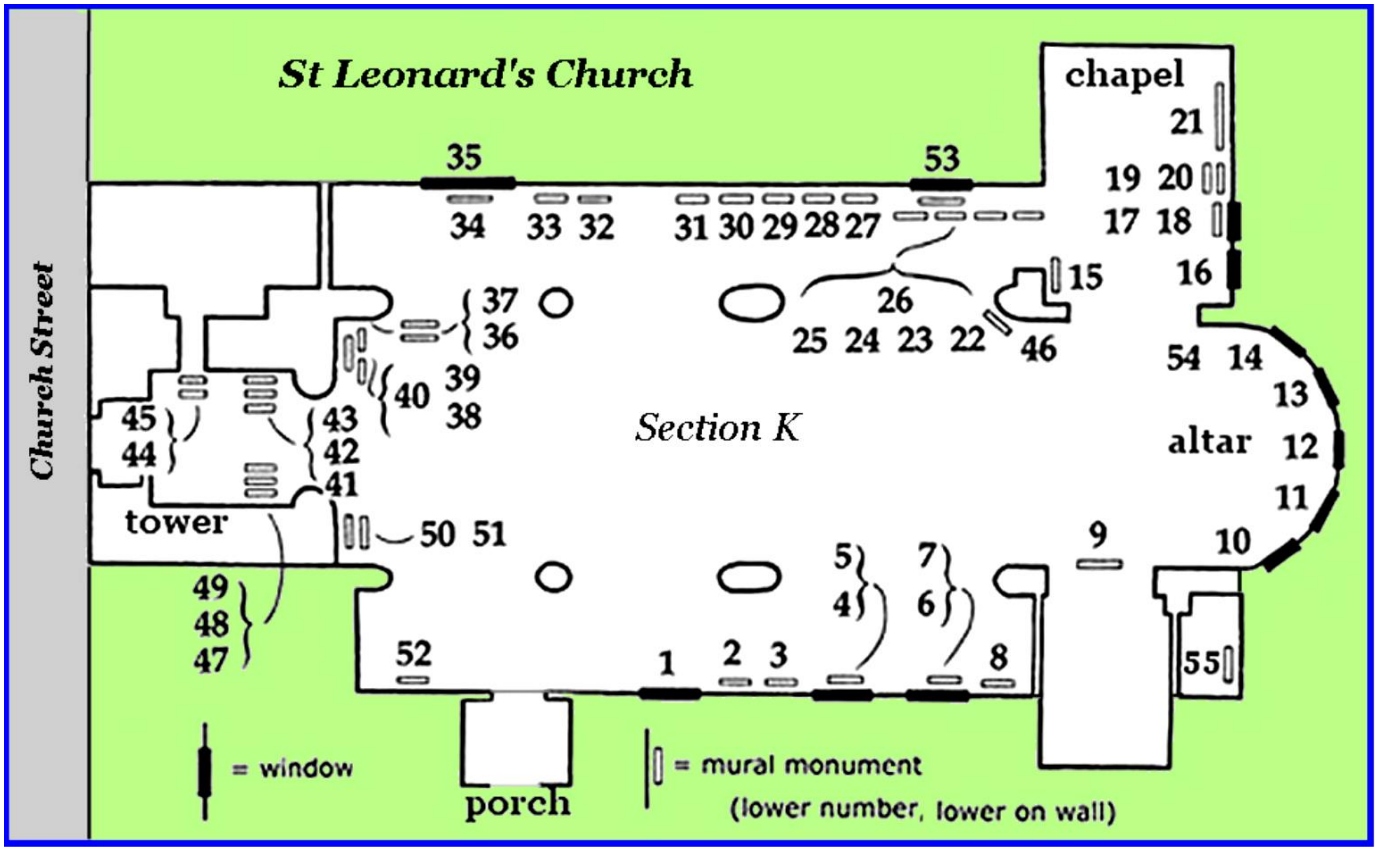
Section J


= illegible
f = fallen
r = rail
s = slab or ledger
= tablet
N
E
W
Church
Path
(Section E)
(Section F)
(Section I)
Section J
Tree
Bank
Gate
Path
Church Lane
Public House
Private Garden
1 O
2 MM
3 Ockenden
4 Ockenden
5 Green
6 Woolgar
7 Field
8 Tenant
9 Hawke
10 JER
11 Roper
12 Tucknott
13 Wedden
14 Wedden
15 Earl
16 Beal
17 Holmwood
18 Holmwood
19 Gibbs
20 Andrews
21 Chambers
22 Chambers
23 Godden
24 Godden
25 Roper
26 Rushbridge
27 Rushbridge
28 BS
29 Shoosmith
30 Shoosmith
31 Simmons
32 Shoosmith
33 Eastwood

Section K – The Church



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