Ufford Heritage Trail

13. The Avenue

The Avenue is one of Ufford's most important landscape features and still a tree-lined thoroughfare. It was created and planted by Reverend Charles Brooke (1765-1836) who owned Ufford Place. The Avenue replaced old Soneyeves Lane, which ran from Ufford Church to Bredfield, and a part of School Lane that passed through the Brooke family estate.

Note: Soneyeves is derived from two words, 'soney' and 'eves' meaning 'the eaves of a wooded area facing westerly to catch the setting sun'.



This photograph was taken around 1900.

The army requisitioned Ufford Place and parkland at the beginning of WW2 and all the original trees were felled. Nevertheless, The Avenue still retains some of its original character.