GLAMORGAN RECORD OFFICE/ARCHIFDY MORGANNWG

Reference code: GB 0214 D554

Title: Cardiff Pilotage Records

Dates: 1860s-1870s

Level of description: Fonds

Extent and medium: 1 volume; 1 bundle; 0.001 cubic metres

Name of creator(s): Cardiff Pilotage Authority

Administrative/biographical history

Up until 1861 the port of Cardiff was placed under Bristol as far as pilotage was concerned since Bristol's trade formerly constituted the main commerce of the West. However, due to the significant increase in trade Cardiff was granted a separate Pilotage Board free from Bristol control under The Bristol Channel Pilotage Act of 1861. The original Board consisted of the Mayor of Cardiff and representatives of the Town Council, Bute trustees, Penarth Dock Company and Glamorgan Canal Company. It was not until 1880 that the shipowners and pilots were represented on the Board. The number of pilots reached their maximum in the 1890s with 120 licensed Cardiff pilots.

Archival history

Unknown

Immediate source of acquisition

Donated by private individual, 6 May 2008

Scope and content

Pilot boarding cards which give the name of the ship, registered tonnage, details of the passage, signatures of captain and the pilot. The majority of the boarding cards are not dated, although some have a 1870s date printed on them. The ledger records the daily traffic of pilots, listing names of ships and the shipping company, the pilot's name and number and the charge made, March to May 1869.

Appraisal, destruction and scheduling information

All records which meet the collection policy of the Glamorgan Record Office have been retained.

Accruals

Accruals are not expected.

System of arrangement

Chronological

Conditions governing access

No restrictions.

Conditions governing reproduction

Normal Glamorgan Record Office conditions apply.

Language/scripts of material

English

Physical characteristics and technical requirements

Fair condition

Finding aids

Detailed list available.

Existence and location of originals

Not applicable

Existence and location of copies

Not applicable

Related units of description

DPIL, DX84, DX914, DX55

Publication note

Not applicable

Note

Not applicable

Archivist's note

Compiled by Heather Mountjoy for the Glamorgan Record Office.

Rules or conventions

This description follows Glamorgan Record Office guidelines based on ISAD(G) compatible cataloguing guidelines for fonds level descriptions used by the Archives Network Wales.

Date of description

May 2008

D554/1 Daily ledger recording pilotage traffic, listing names of Mar.-May 1869

ships, shipping company, pilots, pilot's number and

charge made

[1 vol.; with some loose sheets]

D554/2 Pilot boarding cards, recording name of ship, tonnage, c.1860s-1870s

detail of the passage, draught of water, signatures of

captain and the pilot

[1 bdle of loose papers; fragile]