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M347 PSK: KIRKDALE PETTY SESSIONS**Accession Number**

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**Description**

1. Minute Books, 1927-1964
2. Court Registers, 1885-1955
3. Juvenile Court Registers, 1941-1955
4. Warrant Books, 1930-1942
5. Maintenance Orders, 1946-1955
6. Financial Records, 1949-1957
7. Licensing Registers, 1903-1962
8. Licensing Plans, 1903-1961
9. West Derby Hundred Sessions Magistrates Attendance Book, 1902-1935

**Covering dates**

1885-1962

**Administrative history**

Courts of Petty Sessions evolved from the exercise of summary jurisdiction by justices outside Quarter Sessions. Regular divisional meetings of two or more justices appeared gradually in the eighteenth century. By the end of that century, such meetings were instituted at stated times and places and an act of 1828 required the Quarter Sessions to define Petty Session Districts.

The business of the court of petty sessions was both judicial and administrative and the modern magistrates court has inherited these functions. The judicial side deals with minor offences - both adult and juvenile. Magistrates also preside over the Youth Courts which are especially constituted with jurisdiction limited to proceedings for custody, maintenance, adoption, guardianship and family protection orders. Administrative duties of magistrates include the licensing of public houses, licensed victuallers, clubs, restaurants, cinemas, lodging houses, premises licensed for liquor, music, dancing etc. and registered premises (explosives).

Before 1974, petty sessions courts (also known as magistrates courts) were of two types:

1. county petty sessions, each operating within a petty sessional division of the county of Lancashire
2. borough petty sessions

In April 1974 they were reorganised and the distinction between borough and county was in effect abolished.

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Kirkdale Petty Sessions met at Sessions House, Islington. The following places were included in the division:

Aintree, Blundellsands, Great Crosby, Little Crosby, Croxteth (lost to City of Liverpool 1928), Everton (lost to City of Liverpool 1835), Fazakerley (lost to City of Liverpool 1905), Garston (lost to City of Liverpool 1902), Hightown, Ince Blundell, Kirkby, Kirkdale (lost to City of Liverpool 1835), Litherland, Lunt, Netherton, Ford, Seaforth, Sefton, Toxteth Park (part lost in 1835, 1895 and 1902 to City of Liverpool), Thornton, Walton (lost to City of Liverpool 1895), Waterloo, Wavertree (lost to City of Liverpool 1895) and West Derby (lost to City of Liverpool 1895).

Kirkdale Petty Sessions was succeeded by the Liverpool County Sessional Division in 1955.

#### **Custodial history**

Deposited with Lancashire Record Office by the Clerk to the Magistrates in 28 Mar 1974. Transferred from Lancashire Record Office to Merseyside Record Office on 16 Jan 2004.

#### **Access conditions**

Access will be given to any accredited reader

#### **Related material**

Merseyside Record Office also holds records of the Liverpool County Sessional Division (ref: M347 LIV).

The records of Liverpool City Petty Sessions (Magistrates) are held by Liverpool Record Office (ref: 347 MAG).

Some records of the Childwall Petty Sessional Division (which included the townships of Childwall, Much Woolton and Little Woolton until they were incorporated into the City of Liverpool in 1913) are held by Knowsley Archives.

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<b>M347 PSK/1</b>	<b>Minute Books</b> 3 volumes	<b>1927-1964</b>
M347 PSK/1/1	Probation of Offenders 1 volume	5 Jan 1927-2 Nov 1959
M347 PSK/1/2	Juvenile Panel 1 volume	4 Oct 1933-29 Oct 1964
M347 PSK/1/3	General 1 volume	11 Mar 1935-27 Apr 1959
<b>M347 PSK/2</b>	<b>Court Registers</b> For the period Apr. 1936-Dec. 1937 duplicate entries appear in M347 PSK/2/37-40. From Dec. 1939 entries are for different sittings and are not duplicated in M347 PSK/2/42-46. 63 volumes	<b>1885-1955</b>
M347 PSK/2/1	Court Register 1 volume	22 Aug 1885-12 Jun 1886
M347 PSK/2/2	Court Register 1 volume	15 Sep 1894-9 Nov 1895
M347 PSK/2/3	Court Register 1 volume	26 Aug 1895-9 Apr 1897
M347 PSK/2/4	Court Register 1 volume	13 Apr 1897-20 Sep 1898
M347 PSK/2/5	Court Register 1 volume	23 Sep 1898-16 Mar 1900
M347 PSK/2/6	Court Register 1 volume	20 Mar 1900-13 May 1902

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M347 PSK/2/7	Court Register 1 volume	16 May 1902-4 Apr 1905
M347 PSK/2/8	Court Register 1 volume	11 Apr 1905-3 Jul 1908
M347 PSK/2/9	Court Register 1 volume	7 Jul 1908-8 Oct 1909
M347 PSK/2/10	[Not deposited]	
M347 PSK/2/11	Court Register 1 volume	24 Jan 1910-16 Feb 1912
M347 PSK/2/12	Court Register 1 volume	20 Feb 1912-22 Aug 1913
M347 PSK/2/13	Court Register 1 volume	26 Aug 1913-12 Mar 1915
M347 PSK/2/14	Court Register 1 volume	16 Mar-27 Apr 1915
M347 PSK/2/15	Court Register 1 volume	30 Apr 1915-29 Sep 1916
M347 PSK/2/16	Court Register 1 volume	3 Oct 1916-15 Jan 1918
M347 PSK/2/17	Court Register 1 volume	18 Jan-6 Sep 1918
M347 PSK/2/18	Court Register 1 volume	10 Sep 1918-28 Nov 1919
M347 PSK/2/19	Court Register 1 volume	2 Dec 1919-21 Jan 1921

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M347 PSK/2/20	Court Register 1 volume	25 Jan 1921-28 Apr 1922
M347 PSK/2/21	Court Register 1 volume	2 May 1922-19 Jun 1923
M347 PSK/2/22	Court Register 1 volume	22 Jun 1923-8 Aug 1924
M347 PSK/2/23	Court Register 1 volume	12 Aug 1924-30 Jun 1925
M347 PSK/2/24	Court Register 1 volume	3 Jul 1925-23 Mar 1926
M347 PSK/2/25	Court Register 1 volume	26 Mar 1926-4 Jan 1927
M347 PSK/2/26	Court Register 1 volume	7 Jan-4 Nov 1927
M347 PSK/2/27	Court Register 1 volume	8 Nov 1927-11 Sep 1928
M347 PSK/2/28	Court Register 1 volume	14 Sep 1928-28 May 1929
M347 PSK/2/29	Court Register 1 volume	31 May 1929-18 Feb 1930
M347 PSK/2/30	Court Register 1 volume	21 Feb-11 Nov 1930
M347 PSK/2/31	Court Register 1 volume	14 Nov 1930-9 Oct 1931

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M347 PSK/2/32	Court Register 1 volume	13 Oct 1931-15 Aug 1932
M347 PSK/2/33	Court Register 1 volume	19 Aug 1932-20 Jun 1933
M347 PSK/2/34	Court Register 1 volume	23 Jun 1933-5 Apr 1934
M347 PSK/2/35	Court Register 1 volume	6 Apr 1934-19 Mar 1935
M347 PSK/2/36	Court Register 1 volume	22 Mar-31 Dec 1935
M347 PSK/2/37	Court Register 1 volume	3 Jan-20 Nov 1936
M347 PSK/2/38	Court Register 1 volume	24 Nov 1936-31 Mar 1937
M347 PSK/2/39	Court Register 1 volume	3 Apr 1936-31 Mar 1937
M347 PSK/2/40	Court Register 1 volume	2 Apr 1937-29 Mar 1938
M347 PSK/2/41	Court Register 1 volume	1 Apr 1938-24 Mar 1939
M347 PSK/2/42	Court Register 1 volume	28 Mar 1939-27 Feb 1940
M347 PSK/2/43	Court Register 1 volume	1 Mar 1940-23 Jan 1941
M347 PSK/2/44	Court Register	24 Jan-27 Jun 1941

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1 volume

M347 PSK/2/45	Court Register 1 volume	12 Dec 1939-7 Feb 1941
M347 PSK/2/46	Court Register 1 volume	11 Feb 1941-10 Mar 1942
M347 PSK/2/47	Court Register 1 volume	10 Mar 1942-22 Jun 1943
M347 PSK/2/48	Court Register 1 volume	25 Jun 1943-21 Jul 1944
M347 PSK/2/49	Court Register 1 volume	1 Aug 1944-23 Oct 1945
M347 PSK/2/50	Court Register 1 volume	24 Oct 1945-8 Oct 1946
M347 PSK/2/51	Court Register 1 volume	11 Oct 1946-6 Aug 1947
M347 PSK/2/52	Court Register 1 volume	8 Aug 1947-28 May 1948
M347 PSK/2/53	Court Register 1 volume	28 May 1948-16 Feb 1949
M347 PSK/2/54	Court Register 1 volume	28 Feb-30 Nov 1949
M347 PSK/2/55	Court Register 1 volume	1 Dec 1949-16 Aug 1950
M347 PSK/2/56	Court Register 1 volume	18 Aug 1950-4 May 1951



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M347 PSK/2/57	Court Register 1 volume	8 May 1951-30 Jan 1952
M347 PSK/2/58	Court Register 1 volume	1 Feb-30 Sep 1952
M347 PSK/2/59	Court Register 1 volume	1 Oct 1952-5 May 1953
M347 PSK/2/60	Court Register 1 volume	6 May-17 Dec 1953
M347 PSK/2/61	Court Register 1 volume	18 Dec 1953-20 Aug 1954
M347 PSK/2/62	Court Register 1 volume	24 Aug 1954-25 Feb 1955
M347 PSK/2/63	Court Register 1 volume	1 Mar-6 Sep 1955
M347 PSK/2/64	Court Register 1 volume	9-30 Sep 1955
<b>M347 PSK/3</b>	<b>Juvenile Court Registers</b> 16 volumes	<b>1941-1955</b>
M347 PSK/3/1	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	6 Feb-19 Dec 1941
M347 PSK/3/2	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	8 Jan 1942-21 Jan 1943
M347 PSK/3/3	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	28 Jan-25 Nov 1943

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M347 PSK/3/4	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	9 Dec 1943-21 Dec 1944
M347 PSK/3/5	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	4 Jan-8 Nov 1945
M347 PSK/3/6	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	22 Nov 1945-19 Dec 1946
M347 PSK/3/7	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	2 Jan-1 Dec 1947
M347 PSK/3/8	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	1 Jan-4 Nov 1948
M347 PSK/3/9	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	4 Nov 1948-6 Oct 1949
M347 PSK/3/10	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	20 Oct 1949-2 Nov 1950
M347 PSK/3/11	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	2 Nov 1950-2 Aug 1951
M347 PSK/3/12	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	16 Aug 1951-24 Apr 1952
M347 PSK/3/13	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	8 May 1952-12 Mar 1953
M347 PSK/3/14	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	26 Mar 1953-11 Mar 1954
M347 PSK/3/15	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	25 Mar 1954-24 Feb 1955

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M347 PSK/3/16	Juvenile Court Register 1 volume	24 Feb-22 Sep 1955
<b>M347 PSK/4</b>	<b>Warrant Books</b> 3 volumes	<b>1930-1941</b>
M347 PSK/4/1	General 1 volume	14 Nov 1931-22 May 1942
M347 PSK/4/2	Bastardy	10 Mar 1931-23 Jan 1942
M347 PSK/4/3	Married Women	4 Feb 1930-6 Jun 1941
<b>M347 PSK/5</b>	<b>Maintenance Orders</b> 1 box	<b>1946-1955</b>
M347 PSK/5/1	Maintenance Orders 1 box	31 May 1946-7 Sep 1955
M347 PSK/6	Financial Records 4 volumes	1949-1957
M347 PSK/6/1	Fees and Fines 1 volume	18 Feb 1949-4 Sep 1951
M347 PSK/6/2	Fees and Fines 1 volume	23 May 1953-22 Dec 1954
M347 PSK/6/3	Arrears Book 1 volume	1 Apr 1949-29 Mar 1957
M347 PSK/6/4	Arrears Book 1 volume	6 Feb 1953-22 Oct 1956

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<b>M347 PSK/7</b>	<b>Licensing Registers</b> 3 volumes	<b>1903-1962</b>
M347 PSK/7/1	Club Register 1 volume	1903-1928
M347 PSK/7/2	Music and Dancing 1 volume	3 Mar 1949-30 Jun 1961
M347 PSK/7/3	Register of Licenced Premises 1 volume	1953-1962
<b>M347 PSK/8</b>	<b>Licensing Plans</b>	<b>1903-1961</b>
M347 PSK/8/1	Lists of plans of licensed houses 1 folder	1903-1933, n.d.
M347 PSK/8/2	Plans (original numbers retained) with a few unlisted items Please consult M347 PSK/8/1 for list of plans and order by plan number. 5 boxes	1903-1959
M347 PSK/8/3	Lists of plans of Cinemas and premises licensed for music and dancing 1 item	1933
M347 PSK/8/4	Plans of cinemas and premises licensed for dancing Please consult M347 PSK/8/3 for list of plans and order by plan number. 1 box	1905-1961
<b>M347 PSK/9</b>	<b>West Derby Hundred Sessions Magistrates Attendance Book</b> 1 volume	<b>1902-1935</b>
M347 PSK/9/1	Attendance Book	9 Dec 1902-7 Jun 1935