

Reference code(s): GB 0214 DCH

Title: Chappell Collection

Creation date(s): 1610-1945

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: (2 maps, 1 booklet, 2 engravings, 1 volume, 1 photograph, 65 plans)

Name of creator(s): Edgar Chappell, county councillor, Cardiff

CONTEXT

Administrative/Biographical history: Edgar Leyson Chappell was born in Ystralyfera in 1879, son of Alfred Chappell and Ellen Watkins. He attended Cardiff University where he graduated as an elementary schoolmaster. Throughout his lifetime he was involved in many companies and organisations, he was director of a number of land development companies including Camprose Estates Ltd and Berridge Estates Ltd. He was also director of Whiteheads Electrical Inventions Ltd, a member of the Association of Town Planning and a fellow of the Royal Statistical and Royal Economic Societies. His career in local government began in 1917 where he was also on the War Cabinet for Wales before moving into housing and development for Glamorgan County Council. He was a frequent contributor of questions of social reform and local government and local history to the press. Over the years he published many pamphlets on housing issues and town planning and was author/co-author of many volumes on housing and development.

CONTENT

Scope and content/abstract: Chappell Collection comprising of maps of Glamorgan, 18th-20th century; 'map of the south east circuit of the principality of Wales', 1828; Campions map of collieries, iron, tin, copper and chemical works, railways and stations in South Wales, post 1891; geological survey of England and Wales, 1908; ordnance survey maps and sheets, 1908-1922; Robert K Dawson's plan of Aberavon, c1840; lithograph plan of town of Cardiff, 1610; various maps and plans of Cardiff, 19th-20th century; plans of Aberdare, Llandaff, Merthyr tydfil, Neath, Radyr, Rhondda, Rudry, Swansea and Whitchurch, 19th-20th century; plan of Rhondda urban district, Pontypridd urban district and Llantrisant and Llantwit Fardre rural districts, 1913; map of coalfields of South Wales, Gloucester and Somerset, 1910; sketch of the Cholera epidemic at Ystralyfera by Jason Rogers, surgeon, 1866; portrait of Captain Sir Christopher Cole, MP, 1820; Melin Griffith men's friendly society rules, 1858; South Wales coalfield steam and anthracite takings plan, c1906;

sale catalogues; report on scheme for international airport in South Wales by South Wales Civil Air Base Committee, 1945; photograph of opening of food reform exhibition by Dowager Lady Rhondda in Cardiff, 1922.

ACCESS AND USE

Language/scripts of material: English

System of arrangement: Chappell Collection arranged chronologically by record series

Conditions governing access: No restrictions

Conditions governing reproduction: Normal Glamorgan Record Office conditions apply

Finding aids: Handlist available at the Glamorgan Record Office

ARCHIVAL INFORMATION

Accruals: Accruals are possible

Archival history: Chappell collection belonged to Edgar Chappell, county councillor and local historian.

Immediate source of acquisition: Deposited by a private individual, 1948-1985

ALLIED MATERIALS

DESCRIPTION NOTES

Archivist's note: Compiled by Annabel Wickham for the ANW Project; Sources used: Glamorgan Record Office finding aids; *Who's Who of Wales 1937*, (London 1937).

Rules or conventions: Description follows Archives Network Wales guidelines based on ISAD(G) second edition; AACR2 and LCSH.

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