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**RECORDS OF**

**ABERDARE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

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Aberdare Urban District Council was established following the Local Government Act of 1894. It took over the functions of Aberdare Local Board of Health (for details of records *see* Glamorgan Record Office ref. no. L/B A). The Council's area of responsibility was the parish of Aberdare.

Aberdare Urban District Council ceased to exist on 31 March 1974, and was merged with Mountain Ash Urban District Council to form Cynon Valley Borough Council.

The Record Office did not receive an official deposit of Aberdare Urban District Council records when the council was dissolved in 1974, and therefore we do not hold any of the main series of records, such as the minutes of the Council or its Committees.

The main parts of the collection were deposited by the Aberdare and Mountain Ash Divisional Education Officer on 22 September 1967 (Acc. No. 2353), by Cynon Valley Borough Council on 26 July 1979 (Acc. No. 1979/103), and by a private depositor on 12 October 1994 (Acc. No. 1994/108).

Please note that all the records in the list which follows are kept in an outside repository. If you wish to consult any items in the collection, at least one week's notice is required by the Record Office. The material requested will be brought into the Record Office for consultation in the public searchroom.

**ABERDARE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**CLERK'S DEPARTMENT**

**Parliamentary papers**

[Part of a series of numbered wooden and metal boxes, probably originated by the Local Board of Health, and subsequently added to by the Urban District Council]

**Waterworks**

- 1/1-12. Correspondence and papers relating to a petition by Aberdare Local Board of Health to secure a supply of water for the district (Aberdare Local Board Waterworks Act, 1870), 1866-70
- [12 bdles.]
- 2/1-9. Correspondence and papers relating to arbitration in Chancery between Aberdare Local Board and the Aberdare Waterworks Company for purchase of the Company's undertaking (under the terms of an agreement pursuant to the above Act), 1871-73
- [9 bdles.]
3. Specifications, tender, and contract for the construction of a reservoir at Nanthir, 1872-84
- [1 bdle.]
4. Specifications, tenders, contracts and papers relating to construction of a reservoir at Nantmelyn (Nantmoel), 1895-1900
- [1 bdle.]
5. Specifications, tenders, contracts, accounts and correspondence for the supply of filtration equipment for Nanthir and Nantmoel reservoirs, 1900-02
- [1 bdle.]
- [Contents of tin box marked 'Aberdare Board of Health No. 1']

**Aberdare Canal**

- 6/1-3. Papers relating to the Aberdare Canal Act, 1924, confirming the purchase by Aberdare Urban District Council of canal lands for the purposes of constructing a new road between Aberdare and Mountain Ash, 1922-24.  
[Includes copies of the plan of the proposed Aberdare Canal and Railway, 1792, the Aberdare Canal Act, 1793 and letters from the Town Clerk of Merthyr Tydfil proposing the joint purchase of Glamorganshire Canal lands, 1910]  
  
[3 bdles.]
- 7/1-3. Papers relating to acquisition of lands and proposals to construct a new road (Aberdare Canal New Road) in conjunction with the Glamorgan County Council and Mountain Ash Urban District Council, 1924-28  
  
[3 bdles.]
- 8/1-8. Papers relating to the Aberdare (Compulsory Purchase) Order, 1931, under the Public Works Facilities Act 1930, for improvements of Aberdare Canal Road, Llwydcoed Road and Cwmynysmintan Road, Aberdare, 1930-32  
[Includes forms of statutory notices, plans and compensation claims under the above Order]  
  
[8 bdles.]
- 9/1-6. Plans and written reports prepared for Aberdare Urban District Council on the proposed Aberdare Inner Relief/By-pass Road, 1973  
  
[6 files]  
  
[Contents of tin box marked 'A.L.B.H. Sewerage Papers, 1878']

### **Sewerage Schemes**

- 10/1-7. Papers, specifications, notices and correspondence relating to Aberdare sewerage scheme, 1877-81 [missing when collection was relisted in 1995]  
  
[7 bdles.]
- 11/1-5. Papers, specifications, contracts, notices and correspondence relating to  
to Hirwaun sewerage scheme, 1889-95  
  
[5 bdles.]
- 12/1,2. Papers relating to proposed acquisition by Mountain Ash Urban District Council of part of Parc Newydd farm for sewage disposal

works, with plan of sewer from Mountain Ash to Parc Newydd, 1897-98

[1 bdle. and 1 plan]

13. Correspondence and papers relating to applications by Aberdare Urban District Council to the Public Works Loans Board for moneys for sewerage works, 1899-1904

[1 bdle.]

- 14/1-5. Correspondence relating to the construction of Aberdare to Mountain Ash Main Trunk Sewer, 1930-35

[5 files]

[Contents of tin box]

#### **Title deeds and legal papers**

- 15/1-19. Title deeds and agreements relating to land and property acquired by Aberdare Local Board of Health, Aberdare Water Works Company and subsequently Aberdare Urban District Council, and mortgages to raise Council funds

- 15/1/1-4. Assignment of foundry and premises in Elizabeth Street, Aberdare, 1854-1891 (documents originally numbered L1/1891)

[4 parchments]

- 15/2. Assignment and grant of easement through part of Bwllfa property, Aberdare, 19 Jan. 1859 (document originally numbered L & E1/1859)

[1 parchment]

- 15/3. Grant of easement through Tir fri Farm, Aberdare, 1 June 1859 (document originally numbered E2/1859)

[1 parchment]

- 15/4/1-6. Assignment of no. 108 (formerly no. 75) Fforchaman Road, Aberdare, 1874-1907  
Includes letters of administration of Thomas Oliver, 4 Foundry View, Cwmaman, Aberdare, 1884 (documents originally numbered L4/1907)

[6 parchments ]

- 15/5/1-4. Assignment of no. 111 Fforchaman Road, Cwmaman, Aberdare, 1884-1907 (documents originally numbered L7/1907)

[3 parchments, 1 file]

- 15/6/1,2. Assignment of premises in Fforchaman Road, Cwmaman, Aberdare (formerly part of Cwmneol farm), 13 May 1907  
Also abstract of title of Rachel Hughes and Charles Botting to the above premises, 1907 (documents originally numbered L6/1907)

[1 parchment, 1 file]

- 15/7/1,2. Assignment of premises on the Gamblyn Estate, Aberdare (allotment no. 107 and part of no. 97 on the Hirwaun enclosure award), 11 June 1875, 24 Mar. 1891

[2 parchments]

- 15/8. Assignment of premises in High Street, Aberdare, 7 Aug. 1880 (document originally numbered L2/1880)

[1 parchment]

- 15/9/1-7. Assignment of Vulcan Inn, Victoria Square and no. 1 High Street, Aberdare, 1908-1931 (documents originally numbered L2/1931)

[3 parchments, 3 files, 2 papers]

- 15/10. Assignment of land required for widening and improving Monk Street, Aberdare, 18 Apr. 1885 (documents originally numbered L1/1885)

[1 parchment]

- 15/11/1,2. Assignment of a piece of ground at no. 47 Commercial Street, Aberdare, Apr., Oct. 1893 (documents originally numbered L3/1893)

[1 parchment, 1 file]

- 15/12/1,2. Assignment of a piece of ground at no. 48 Commercial Street, Aberdare, Apr., Oct. 1893 (documents originally numbered L4/1893)

[1 parchment, 1 file]

- 15/13. Lease of part of the Parish Hall, Aberdare, (with plan attached), 5 Mar. 1903 (document originally numbered T2/1903)

[1 file]

- 15/14/1,2. Agreement for tenancy of land adjoining the Aberdare and Hirwaun Tramway, 10 July 1905 (document originally numbered L1/1905)

[1 file; also 1 duplicate]

- 15/15. Agreement between Glamorgan County Council and Aberdare Urban District Council for building Aberaman Bridge and the widening of county roads, 11 Sep. 1905
- [1 file]
- 15/16. Assignment of land at the corner of Mill Street and Bell Street, Trecynon, Aberdare, 14 May 1914 (document originally numbered F21/1914)
- [1 file]
- 15/17. Agreement for letting lands for allotments at Abernant, 15 May 1917 (document originally numbered L4/1917)
- [1 file]
- 15/18. Mortgage to secure £1,500 between Aberdare Urban District Council and the Corporation of Reading, 4 July 1910
- [1 parchment]
- 15/19/1-4. Mortgage to secure £6,412 (for the purpose of a tramway undertaking) between Aberdare Urban District Council and the Corporation of Burnley, with associated legal papers, Sep. 1915
- [1 parchment, 2 files, 1 paper]

### **Parliamentary proceedings**

16. Minutes of proceedings before the select committee of the House of Lords on the Aberdare Urban District Council Bill, May 1911

[1 file]

17. Minutes of proceedings before the select committee of the House of Lords on the Aberdare and Aberaman Gas Bill, May - July 1916

[1 vol.]

### **Correspondence**

18. Correspondence and papers relating to evidence to be presented by local authorities to the Royal Commission on mining subsidence, (evidence collected by the Clerk of Aberdare Urban District Council), 1923

[1 file]

### **Printed byelaws**

Printed byelaws for:

- 19/1. Offensive trades (issued by Aberdare Local Board acting as the Urban Sanitary Authority), 1894

[1 booklet; printed]

- 19/2. Nuisances (issued by Aberdare Local Board acting as the Urban Sanitary Authority), 1894

[1 booklet; printed]

- 19/3. Alteration of buildings, 1896

[1 booklet]

- 19/4,5. Aberdare Public Park, 1899, 1965

[2 booklets; printed]

- 19/6. Dairies, cowsheds and milkshops, 1902

[1 booklet; printed]

- 19/7. Width of tyres (heavy motor cars and trailers), 1904

[1 booklet; printed]

- 19/8. Proceedings of the Aberdare Urban District Council and its committees, 1904 (signed copy)

- [1 booklet; printed]
- 19/9. Omnibuses and for regulating the number of persons carried, 1905  
[1 booklet; printed]
- 19/10,11. Drainage of existing buildings, 1908 (signed copy), 1928  
[2 booklets; printed]
- 19/12. Height of rooms intended to be used for human habitation, 1910  
(signed copy)  
[1 booklet; printed]
- 19/13-15. Tramways and trackless trolley routes, 1913, 1914 and 1919  
[2 booklets, 1 paper; printed]
- 19/16. Wireless installations, 1926  
[1 booklet; printed]
- 19/17. New streets and buildings, 1927  
[1 booklet; printed]
- 19/18. Registries for female domestic servants, 1927  
[1 booklet; printed]
- 19/19. Pleasure grounds, 1928  
[1 booklet; printed]
- 19/20. Aberdare Fire Brigade (rules and regulations), 1936  
[1 booklet; printed]
- 19/21,22. Buildings, 1939, 1953  
[2 booklets; printed]
- 19/23. Aberdare old and new cemeteries and Hirwaun (Bryn-y-Gaer)  
cemetery, c.1950s  
[1 booklet; printed]
- 19/24. Proper ventilation and lighting of underground rooms and the  
protection against dampness, effluvia or exhalation, 1960

[1 booklet; printed]

19/25. Hairdressers and barbers, 1962

[1 booklet; printed]

### **Printed notices**

20/1. Notice of change of Local Board boundaries, and of a Local Government Board enquiry, 12 Nov. 1878

[1 paper; printed]

20/2. Notice inviting tenders for the laying of the main Hirwain sewer, issued by Aberdare Local Board of Health, July 1890

[1 paper; printed]

20/3/1-3. Notices of sale of the Mason's Arms, High Street, Aberdare, by public auction, 14 Mar. 1893, 8 Nov. 1894

[3 papers; printed]

20/4. Notice of abstract of provisions of Factory and Workshop Act as to domestic workshops and domestic factories, 1901

[1 paper; printed]

20/5/1-4. Notices relating to Aberdare tramways, 1902-1914

[4 papers; printed]

20/6. Notice of a Local Government Board enquiry under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, 1890 to 1909, into a closing order prohibiting the use for human habitation of nos. 7-17 Crown Row, Cwmbach, Aberdare, 12 Aug. 1910

[1 paper; printed]

20/7. Notice of special meeting of the Aberdare Urban District Council to consider the promotion of the Aberdare Urban District Council Act, 9 Jan. 1911

[1 paper; printed]

- 20/8. Notice of a Local Government Board enquiry into Aberdare Urban District Council's application to borrow funds for works of water supply, 29 Apr. 1914  
[1 paper; printed]
- 20/9. Notice of enquiry by Glamorgan County Council into Aberdare Urban District Council's application for an increase in number of councillors, 4 May 1914  
[1 paper; printed]
- 20/10/1-3. Notices of 'Civic Sundays', led by the Chairmen of Aberdare Urban District Council, giving lists of participants in procession and procession route, 24 May 1936, 11 June 1939, 25 May 1941  
[3 papers; printed]
- 20/11. Notice giving Aberdare Hospital Fete Committee permission to use Aberdare Public Park, 22-24 June 1939  
[1 paper; printed]
- 20/12. Notice giving permission for Llwydcoed Ambulance Cadet Division to use Llwydcoed Public Park, 10 Aug. 1939  
[1 paper; printed]
- 20/13/1-7. Notices giving details of polling stations and of election agents for the parliamentary election, Aberdare Borough constituency, 8 Oct. 1959  
[7 papers; printed]

### **Year Book**

21. Aberdare Urban District Council Year Book, 1973-74 [blank]  
Includes a list of councillors  
[1 small vol.; printed]

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### **MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH'S DEPARTMENT**

1. Newspaper cuttings relating to Medical Officer of Health reports, local clinics and health issues, 1948-1956

[1 vol.]

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**SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT**

1. Survey of iron bridge [constructed at Abernant in 1811 for the Aberdare Canal Co. tramroad], over the river Cynon at Robertstown, Aberdare, Oct. 1973

36" x 29½" : 1:20, 1:10 and 1:100

[1 plan; printed]

UDAB T/1/1-12

**TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT**

1/1-12. Annual abstract of accounts, 1923-1925  
1928  
1930  
1933

1936-1946

[12 vols.; printed]

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