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## Methodist Church - Liverpool District

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## 287DIS/1 LIVERPOOL DISTRICT COMMISSION, 1940-1962

Minute books of the Liverpool District Commission, earlier Liverpool Synod Commission, and including the Manpower Committee and Replanning Commission. The District Replanning Commission had "existed to consider and advise upon the amalgamation and alteration of circuits, overlapping circuits and redundant buildings" (1/2) and the remit of the 'new' Commission replacing it was to "... investigate and report on all problems of redundancy in the District and to make recommendations to each Circuit on cases of overlapping and on the best use of available manpower and financial resources" [circular letter, folio 17].

For example, the earliest meetings (1940-1941) considered the following Circuits: Anfield, North, Linacre, South, Mission, Waterloo, Central and Brunswick. In the second minute book, a printed report (ff18-28) notes proposed changes to the following Circuits etc:

Liverpool (North East)	Wallasey
Liverpool (North)	Hoylake and West Kirby
Liverpool (Linacre Mission)	St Helens and Prescot
Liverpool (South East)	Earlestown and Lowton
Liverpool Mission	Warrington
Liverpool (Crosby)	Widnes
Birkenhead	Southport (North)
Bebington	Southport (South)
Ellesmere Port	Southport (Banks & Hesketh Bank)
Ormskirk	Skelmersdale
Orrell & Lamberhead Green	

## Minute Books

1/1 1940-1947; 1947-Feb 1960  
Enclosed: loose minutes, 30 Sept 1960.

1/2 19 Mar 1960-11 Oct 1962  
Indexed.

Enclosed: three lists detailing dates and subjects discussed at previous meetings etc:

- a "Meetings [1940-1953] of the Liverpool Man-Power Committee (and Sub-Committee) held since the date of its first appointment at the May Synod, 1940". n.d.
- b "Memorandum re Liverpool town planning development and Aigburth St Methodist Church" [1953-1954] n.d.
- c "Liverpool District ... survey of building schemes etc" Comments on the proposals of the Man-Power Commission. n.d.

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**Merseyside Record Office****M287 DIS/2****CIRCUIT PLANS AND DIRECTORIES****Description**

Each Circuit publishes a plan every quarter showing who is preaching when and where. They also record the circuit officials, details of special services, and show when churches were closed and new ones opened.

**Covering dates**

1957-2002

**Custodial history**

Deposited by Dr. P Richards, District Archivist, Liverpool District on 12 Dec 1991 (ref 1991-19), 12 June 1992 (ref 1992/11), 5 May 1993 (ref: 1993/9), 19 May 1993 (ref: 1993/11), June 2002 (ref: 2002/4) and August 2002 (ref: 2002/6). A few strays were deposited on 20 Feb 1979 (ref MX) by the Connexional Archivist (now at John Rylands University Library, Manchester). Some of the circuit plans of the Liverpool South East Circuit were donated to Liverpool Record Office by Dr. John Vickers in December 1997 (Acc. 5282).

**Access conditions**

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**Related material**

Plans - and other records - of Waterloo Circuit, 1893-1941 can be found at M287 WCT/11

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M287 DIS/2/1	Liverpool North Circuit	1978-1992
	Jan-Mar 1978, Nov 1988-Jan 1988, Feb-Apr 1989, Sep 1987 (Directory), May-Jul 1991, May-Jul 1992.	
	6 items	
M287 DIS/2/2	Walton United Circuit	1988-1989
	Nov 1988-Jan 1989, Sep 1988 (Directory).	
	2 items	
M287 DIS/2/3	Liverpool North East Circuit	1988
	Feb-Apr 1988, May-Jul 1988.	
	2 items	
M287 DIS/2/4	Liverpool North Central (Liverpool Metropolitan Mission) Circuit	1987-2002
	1987-1988 (Directory), Nov 1988-Jan 1989, Feb-Apr 1990, Aug-Oct 1991, Nov 1991-Jan 1992, Feb-Apr 1992, May-Jul 1992, Aug-Oct 1992, May-Jul 1993, Aug-Oct 1993, Aug-Oct 1994, Nov 1994-Jan 1995, Feb-Apr 1995, May-Jul 1995, Aug-Oct 1995, Feb-Apr 1996, May-Jul 1996, Aug-Oct 1996, Nov 1996-Jan 1997, Feb-Apr 1997, May-Jul 1997, Aug-Oct 1997, Nov 1997-Jan 1998, Feb- Apr 1998, May-Jul 1998, Aug-Oct 1998, Nov 1998-Dec 1999, Feb-Apr 1999, May-Jul 1999, Aug-Oct 1999, Nov 1999-Jan 2000, Feb-Apr 2000, May-Jul 2000, Aug-Oct 2000, Nov 2000-Jan 2001, Feb-Apr 2001, May-Jul 2001, Aug-Oct 2001, Feb-Apr 2002, May-Jul 2002, Aug-Oct 2002.	
	41 items	

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M287 DIS/2/5	Liverpool South Central (Liverpool Metropolitan Mission) Circuit May-Jul 1988, Feb-Apr 1989. 2 items	1988-1989
M287 DIS/2/6	Central Hall Circuit Jan-Apr 1976, May-Aug 1977, May-Aug 1978. 3 items	1976-1978
M287 DIS/2/7	Liverpool South East Circuit Apr-Jun 1978, Jan-Mar 1979, Oct-Dec 1982, Apr-Jun 1983, Jul-Sep 1983, Oct-Dec 1983, Jan-Mar 1984, Apr-Jun 1984, Jul-Sep 1984, Oct-Dec 1984, Jan-Mar 1985, Jul-Sep 1985, Oct-Dec 1985, 1986 (Directory), Apr-June 1986, Oct-Dec 1986, Apr-June 1987, Jul-Sep 1986, Jul-Sep 1987 (2 copies), Oct-Dec 1987 (2 copies), Jul-Sep 1987, Oct-Dec 1987, Jul-Sep 1988, Oct-Dec 1988, Jan-Mar 1989 (2 copies,) Apr-Jun 1989, Jul-Sep 1989, Oct-Dec 1989, Jan-Mar 1990, July-Sep 1990, Jan-Mar 1991, Apr-Jun 1991, Jul-Sep 1991, Oct-Dec 1991, Jan-Mar 1992, Apr-Jun 1992, Jul-Sep 1992, Oct-Dec 1992, Jan-Mar 1993, Apr-Jun 1993, Jan-Mar 1994, Apr-Jun 1994, Jul-Aug 1994, Dec 1994-Jan 1995. 47 items	1978-1995
M287 DIS/2/8	Linacre Methodist Mission Circuit Jul-Dec 1977, Jul-Dec 1987. 2 items	1977, 1987

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M287 DIS/2/9 Crosby Circuit 1981-2002

July-Sep 1981 (includes Directory for 1981-1982), Apr-Jun 1982, Jul 1982-Sep 1982 (includes Directory for 1982-1983), Apr-Jun 1983, Jul-Sep 1986, Jul-Sep 1988, 1988/89 (Directory), Jan-Mar 1989, Jul-Sep 1991, Oct-Dec 1992, Jan-Mar 1993, Oct-Dec 1994, Apr-Jun 1995, Apr-Jun 1995 (Directory), Jul-Sep 1995, Jul-Sep 1995 (Directory), Oct-Dec 1995, Oct-Dec 1995 (Directory), Jan-Mar 1996, Jan-Mar 1996 (Directory), Apr-Jun 1996, Apr-Jun 1996 (Directory), Jul-Sep 1996, Jul-Sep 1996 (Directory), Oct-Dec 1996, Oct-Dec 1996 (Directory), Apr-Jun 1997, Apr-Jun 1997 (Directory), Jul-Sep 1997, Jul-Sep 1997 (Directory), Oct-Dec 1997, c.1998 (A Guide to the Churches of the Circuit), Jan-Mar 1998, Jan-Mar 1998 (Directory), Apr-Jun 1998, Apr-Jun 1998 (Directory), Jul-Sep 1998, Jul-Sep 1998 (Directory), Oct-Dec 1998, Oct-Dec 1998 (Directory), Jan-Mar 1999, Jan-Mar 1999 (Directory), Apr-Jun 1999, Apr-Jun 1999 (Directory), Jul-Sep 1999, Jul-Sep 1999 (Directory), Jan-Mar 2000, Jan 2000 (Directory), Apr-Jun 2000, Jul-Sep 2000, Sep 2000 (Directory), Oct-Dec 2000, Jan-Mar 2001, Apr-June 2001, Jul-Aug 2001, Sep-Nov 2001, Sep 2001 (Directory), Mar-May 2002, Jun-Aug 2002.

59 items

M287 DIS/2/10 Birkenhead Circuit 1977-1993

Jan-Mar 1977, Apr-Jun 1987, 1987-1988 (Directory), Jul-Sep 1987, Apr-Jun 1988, Jan-Mar 1989, Jan-Mar 1991, Jul-Sep 1991, Oct-Dec 1991, Jan-Mar 1992, Jul-Sep 1992, Apr-Jun 1992, Apr-Jun 1993.

13 items

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|---------------|--|-----------------|
| M287 DIS/2/11 | South Wirral Circuit   | 1977-1995       |
|               | Dec 1977-March 1978, Mar-Jun 1978, Jun-Sep 1978, Sep-Dec 1978 (2 copies), Dec 1978-Mar 1979, Sep-Nov 1986, Dec 1987-Feb 1988, Mar-May 1989, Mar-May 1992, Dec 1994-Feb 1995.   |                 |
|               | 11 items   |                 |
| M287 DIS/2/12 | West Wirral Circuit  | 1991            |
|               | Jul-Oct 1991.  |                 |
|               | 1 item   |                 |
| M287 DIS/2/13 | Wallasey Circuit   | 1965-2002       |
|               | Jul-Oct 1965, Apr-Jul 1967, Jul-Sep 1970, Apr-Jun 1971, Oct-Dec 1971, May-Jul 1972, May-Jul 1974, Aug 1975 Jun 1976, Jun 1977, Sep-Dec 1977, Corrections to Directory for 1976-1977, May 1978 (Directory), Aug-Oct 1979, Nov 1979-Jan 1980, Feb-Apr 1980, Sep 1980-Aug 1981 (Directory, 2 copies), Nov 1980-Jan 1981, Feb-Apr 1981, Aug-Sep 1981, Sep-Aug 1981 (Directory), Aug-Oct 1982, Nov 1981-Jan 1982, Feb-Apr 1982, Nov 1982-Jan 1983, Feb-Apr 1983, May-Aug 1983, Sep-Aug 1984, Aug-Oct 1984, Nov 1984-Jan 1985, Feb-Apr 1985, May-Jul 1985, Nov 1988-Jan 1989, Feb-Apr 1989, 1991 (Directory), Aug-Oct 1991, May 1991-Jul 1991, Nov 1991-Jan 1992, 1992 (Directory), Feb-Apr 1992, May-Jul 1992, Aug-Oct 1992, Nov 1992-Jan 1993, Feb-Apr 1993, May-Jul 1993, Aug-Oct 1994, Apr-May 2002. |                 |
|               | 47 items   |                 |
| M287 DIS/2/14 | Hoylake and West Kirby Circuit   | 1978, 1988-1989 |
|               | Jan-Apr 1978, Nov 1988-Feb 1989, Mar-Jun 1989.   |                 |
|               | 3 items  |                 |



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- M287 DIS/2/15      St Helens and Prescot Circuit      1957, 1987-2002
- Jan-Mar 1957 (Includes General Directory), Oct-Dec 1987, 1988-1989 (General Directory), Jan-Mar 1989, Oct-Dec 1991, Jul-Sep 1992, Apr-Jun, Jul-Sep 1994, Oct-Dec 1994, Jul-Sep 1997, Oct-Dec 1998, Jan-Mar 1999, Apr-Jun 1999, Jul-Sep 1999, Sep-Nov 2001, Dec 2001-Feb 2002, Mar-May 2002.
- 18 items
- M287 DIS/2/16      Makerfield Circuit      1989-2002
- Jan-Mar 1989, Oct 1988-June 1990 (Plans included in contain quarterly newsletter 'Together', numbers 37-43), Sep-Nov 1997, Mar-May 1998, Mar-May 2002, Jun-Aug 2002.
- 11 items
- M287 DIS/2/17      Warrington Circuit      1981-1991
- 1981 (Directory), Apr-Jul 1982, Oct 1988-Jan 1989, Feb-Apr 1989, May-Jul 1991.
- 5 items
- M287 DIS/2/18      Southport Circuit      1976-2002
- Nov-Dec 1976, Sep-Dec 1978, May-Aug 1987, Jan-Apr 1989, Jan-Apr 1996, May-Aug 1996, Sep-Dec 1996, Sep 1996-Aug 1997 (Directory), Jan-Apr 1997, Sep 1997-Aug 1998 (Directory), Sep 1998-Aug 1999 (Directory), Sep-Nov 1999, Sep-Nov 2001, Sep-Nov 2002, Mar-May 2002.
- 15 items

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M287 DIS/2/19	Banks and Hesketh Circuit Jun-Aug 1987 , Sep-Nov 1988, Dec 1988-Feb 1989. 3 items	1987-1989
M287 DIS/2/20	Ormskirk Circuit May-Aug 1987, Sep-Dec 1987, Jan-Mar 1988, Jul-Sep 1988, Jan-Mar 1989, Jul-Sep 1991, Oct-Dec 1991, 1991-1992 (Directory), Jan-Mar 1992, Jul-Sep 1992, Jan-Mar 1995, Jul-Sep 1995, Oct-Dec 1995, Jan-Mar 1996, Apr-June 1996, Jul-Sep 1996, Oct-Dec 1996, Jan-Mar 2002. 18 items	1987-2002
M287 DIS/2/21	Skelmersdale Circuit Jan-Apr 1989. 1 item	1989
M287 DIS/2/22	Orrell and Lamberhead Green Circuit Apr-Jul 1984, Dec 1988-Mar 1989, Jun-Aug 1996. 3 items	1984-1996