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**DORCHESTER AND DISTRICT TRADES
UNION COUNCIL**

Dorchester and District Trades Union Council, formerly known as Dorchester Trades' & Labour Council, was established 27 March 1918. The TUC have as its first surviving record of the Council a letter September 1925 about the setting up of a 'Council of Action' in response to a miners' dispute. The Council may, in the early years, have met only intermittently until in 1933 Mr R J W Shepard supposedly made efforts to reform the Council. Further archive information may be found at the TUC, Congress House, Great Russell Street, London

**DORCHESTER AND DISTRICT TRADES
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- 1/1 Rule book of the Southern Western Federation of Trades Councils 1952; photocopy of the rule book of Dorchester and District Trades and Labour Council 1918; rule book of the General Federation of Trade Unions 1907
(3 docs) 1907-1952

2 MEMBERSHIP

- 2/1 Register of attendance at monthly meetings of Dorchester Trades Council
(1 vol) 1959-1976

3 COUNCIL MEETINGS

- 3/1 Minute book
(1 vol) 1949-1958
- 3/2 Minute book
(1 vol) 1958-1970
- 3/3 Minutes
Includes: secretary's annual reports and accounts and financial reports
(1 file) 1968-1974
- 3/4 Minutes 1975-1982
Includes: secretary's annual reports and accounts and financial reports 1974-1981; secretary's newsletters 1980-1982
(1 file) 1974-1982
- 3/5 Minutes 1982-1986
Includes: annual statements of accounts 1984/1985, 1985/1986; secretary's newsletters 1982-1983; newsletters 1983-1986
(1 file) 1982-1986
- 3/6 Minutes
Includes: newsletters 1988-1991
(1 file) 1988-1991

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4 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

4/1	Minutes of the joint health and safety committee (1 doc)	1989
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5 ACCOUNTS AND ANNUAL REPORTS

[See D.568: 3/4-5 for statements of accounts and secretary's annual reports and newsletters 1974-1982 and annual statements of accounts 1984/1985, 1985/1986]

5/1	Annual reports (2 docs)	1964-1968
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5/2	Statement of accounts and secretary's report (4 docs)	1966-1967
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6 CORRESPONDENCE

6/1	Letters on Trades Council history Includes: photocopy of newspaper cutting 1921 on Mr F Ferrett; photocopied letter of condolence on Mr Ferrett's death from Dorchester Trades' & Labour Council 1927 (5 docs)	1968-1977
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6/2	Letter from Margaret Daly MEP for Somerset and Dorset West on the subject of wage councils (1 doc)	1989
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6/3	Letter from the Fire Brigades Union on a campaign against underfunding (1 doc)	1993
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**DORCHESTER AND DISTRICT TRADES
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- 7/1 Black and white group photographs of J Condren, Chief Photographer, Atomic Energy Research Est Photographic Group, Harwell, Berkshire, Col G W Raby, Deputy Director, Atomic Energy Research Est Photographic Group, Harwell, Berkshire, Mr J Bentley, Dorchester Trades Union Council member and Mr F Cuff, Dorchester Trades Union Council member at a dinner function

Form: positive print on paper
Size: 165 mm x 218 mm
Process: gelatin
Photographer: not given
(12 docs)

n.d. [?1965]

- 7/2 Black and white group photograph of Mr J Bentley, Dorchester Trades Union Council member and others on a visit to Atomic Energy Est Photographic Group, Harwell, Berkshire

Form: positive print on paper
Size: 161mm x 213mm
Process: gelatin
Photographer: Atomic Energy Research Est Photographic Group, Harwell, Berkshire
(2 docs)

n.d. [?1965]

- 7/3 Black and white group photograph of attendees of the Trades Council Secretaries Summer School
Includes: written key naming those on the photograph

Form: positive print on paper
Size: 162mm x 213mm
Process: gelatine
Photographer: not given
(2 docs)

1965

8 POLICY PAPERS

- 8/1 Proposals by Dorchester and District Trades Council for the reform of the Dorset County Association of Trades Councils
(7 docs)

1989