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#### PORTSMOUTH MUSEUMS AND RECORDS SERVICE

PORTSMOUTH FREE CHURCH COUNCIL
REFERENCE: 1219A

#### Introduction

The Council was formerly known as the Portsmouth and Gosport Nonconformist Association, and the minute books for 1884-1913 and a list of members 1905-1908 are listed under CHU 94.

The Free Church Council maintains the William Green House in Campbell Road for members of the Free Church in indigent circumstances. (The house was bequeathed by William Green in 1924.)

The Portsmouth branch of the Women's Free Church Council was formed in 1908 and maintains a Home for Unmarried Mothers ('Woodlands' in Albany Road) and a Shelter for Girls ('St Paul's House' in Southsea). The Council is responsible for administering the Maybee Trust set up by the Will of Sophia Maybee in 1929 to provide a Home for Poor Nonconformist Ministers. (38 Queens Road, Buckland was purchased under the auspices of the Trust.)

NB. Any records under 30 years old are not available for public consultation.

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		Cou	ncil and Executive Minute Books	1923-1991
		1.	6 September 1923 – 23 September 193	30
		2.	30 September 1930 – 18 November 19	32
		3.	24 May 1932 – 25 March 1938	
		4.	31 March 1936 – 24 February 1942	
		5.	29 April 1938 – 13 September 1946	
		6.	29 May 1942 – 26 July 1946	
		7.	28 March 1947 – 17 June 1970	
		8.	15 September 1970 – 9 March 1983	
		9.	9 March 1983 – 8 November 1991	
2.		Com	nmittee Minute Books	1930-1973
		1.	Officers' Meetings, Finance and Planning Committees: 26 September 1930 – 17 November 19	47
		2.	Officers' Meetings, Planning Committee, etc: 12 February 1947 – 12 December 1950	)
		3.	Portsmouth Area Interdenominational Committee: 12 February 1947 – 25 July 1950	
		4.	Sub-Committee for joint induction	

- meeting: 20 October 1967 – 23 March 1968
- Havant and Waterloo Sub-Section:
   13 February 1961 9 February 1973

1219A/1	3.	Annual Reports	1910-1998		
		Incomplete file 1910, 1936-1971, 1990-1998 (also includes Report of the Free Church Women's Council)			
	4.	<u>Photographs</u>	1900-1920		
		<ol> <li>Free Church Council Officers' Conference at Swanwick, 1914</li> </ol>			
		2. Unidentified lady, c1900			
		<ol> <li>Unidentified group of ladies, c1900</li> </ol>			
		4. 'Palestine Court' at the Free Church Council Missionary Exhibition 1927, present: Mrs Ford Palser and Members of the Refreshment Committee			
<u>1219A/2</u>		PORTSMOUTH FREE CHURCH MINISTERS' FRATERNAL	1958-1966		
	1.	Minute Book			
		21 January 1958 – 1 March 1966			
1219A/3		PORTSMOUTH AND DISTRICT FREE CHURCH WOMEN'S COUNCIL	1908-1980		
	1.	Minutes of Meetings	1911-1977		
		1. 5 May 1911 –1 January 1917			
		2. 2 February 1917 – 1 February 1923			
		3. 4 May 1923 – 7 April 1933			
		4. 5 May 1933 – 7 November 1941			

1219A/3	1.	1	ites of Meetings tinued]	<u>1911-1977</u>
		5.	7 November 1941 – 1 February 1946	
		6.	1 March 1946 - 4 April 1952	
		7.	2 May 1952 – 2 November 1956	
		8.	7 December 1956 – 5 April 1963	
		9.	3 May 1963 – 6 December 1968	
		10.	3 January 1969 – 2 June 1972	
		11.	7 July 1972 – 1 April 1977	0
	2.	Exec	cutive Minute Books	<u>1915-1973</u>
		1.	23 February 1915 – 28 July 1925 (at back of volume, minutes of House Committee, 15 January 1918 – 23 February 1918)	
		2.	1 March 1926 – 29 August 1932	
		3.	31 October 1932 – 3 November 1941	
		4.	29 December 1941 – 31 March 1952	
		5.	28 April 1952 – 29 April 1963	
		6.	27 May 1963 – 1 January 1973	
	3.	Advi	sory Committee Minute Book	<u>1911-1916</u>
		1.	8 May 1911 – 10 January 1916	
	4.	Hous	se Committee Minute Books	1938-1977
		1.	20 June 1938 – 4 March 1940	

# 1219A/3 4. House Committee Minute Books [continued]

1938-1977

- 2. 18 March 1940 22 February 1943
- 3. 8 March 1943 17 September 1945
- 4. 1 October 1945 18 July 1949
- 5. 8 August 1949 15 September 1952
- 6. 6 October 1952 24 January 1955
- 7. 7 February 1955 13 May 1957
- 8. 26 May 1957 10 August 1959
- 9. 14 September 1959 5 February 1962
- 10. 19 February 1962 15 June 1964
- 11. 29 June 1964 17 October 1966
- 12. 14 November 1966 15 July 1968
- 13. 15 July 1968 29 December 1969
- 14. 12 January 1970 5 April 1971
- 15. 19 April 1971 22 May 1972
- 16. 5 June 1972 24 September 1973
- 17. 8 October 1973 21 April 1975
- 18. 5 May 1975 14 February 1977

## 5. St Paul's House, Southsea

1958-1967

- 1. Correspondence file, 1958-1967
- Architect's plans and drawings, 1963

### 1219A/3 6. Account Books

1934-1980

Donations and affiliation fees:

- 1. 1934-1962 (arranged under donors)
- 1939-1945
   (arranged chronologically)
- 3. 1936-1957 (arranged chronologically)

Expenditure accounts for 'Woodlands':

- 4. 1935-1952
- 5. 1952-1964

Income from the Homes:

- 6. 1965-1967
- 7. 1967-1971
- 8. 1971-1973
- 9. 1973-1974
- 10. 1974-1976

Income and expenditure books:

- 11. 1960-1971
- 12. 1971-1980

'Shelter' Cash Books:

- 13. 1967-1975
- 14. 1976-1979

# 1219A/3 6. Account Books [continued]

1934-1980

- 15. Shelter meals account book, 1967-1977
- 16. Girls' account book, 1967-1973

#### Annual Balance Sheets

1940-1967

- Statements of Accounts for the Portsmouth and District Free Church Council (most also include the accounts for the William Green Home), 1943-1967 (except 1954, 1963) [23 items]
- Statements of Accounts for the Maybee Trust, 1940-1959 (except 1941, 1942, 1946) [17 items]

#### Miscellaneous

1909-1980

- Bundle of correspondence, legal documents, invoices, insurance, bank books, etc re Free Church Council Homes and Maybee Trust, 1929-1968
- Presidents' autograph book, 1908-1968
- History of the Movement published to commemorate 21 years of the Free Church Women's Council, 1909-1930
- Orders of Service, 1935-1980
   [3 items]
- Concert programmes, 1930s-1960s(?)[6 items]

1219A/4			RTSMOUTH AND DISTRICT FREE URCH COUNCIL HOMES LTD	1910-1980
	1.	Minu	ute Books	1941-1966
		1.	Minutes of AGM and Directors' Meetings, 1 May 1941 – 20 December 1966	
	2.	Rec	ords of Shareholders	1941-1963
		1.	Share register 1941-1966	
		2.	Shareholders certificates 1953-1957	
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	3.	Sala	ries Books	1966-1980
		1.	December 1966 – June 1970	
		2.	July 1970 – March 1973	
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		4.	January 1976 – April 1980	
	4.	Adm	nissions Registers	1910-1979
		1.	15 January 1910 – 3 January 1918	
		2.	30 January 1912 - 17 April 1917	
		3.	31 December 1939 – 1 September 198	0
		4.	17 February 1967 – 24 July 1979	

### 1219A/4 Shelter Log Books 5. 1966-1977 1. 31 December 1966 – 14 October 1969 2. 19 October 1969 – 30 November 1972 5 February 1973 – 18 July 1977 3. Day Books/Diaries 1939-1977 6. 1. 1 January – 6 September 1939 10 June 1964 - 4 January 1965 2. 3. 1969 4. 1970 5. 1971 1972 6. 7. 1973 1974 [2 items] 8. 9. 1975 1977 [2 items] 10. 1935-1942 Monthly Report Books 7. April 1935 – October 1942 1. 1922-1939 Baptism Registers 8.

22 July 1922 - 2 December 1955

1.

1219A/4	9.	Patients Books	<u>1933-1955</u>
		1. 24 April 1933 – 2 December 1955	
	10.	Jane Gillett Home	1963-1964
		1. Correspondence 1963-1964 [3 items]	
1219A/5		THE WILLIAM GREEN HOME	1941-1949
	1.	Minute Book, 16 December 1941 – 17 April1947	
	2.	Account Book, 9 January 1942 – 30 April 1945	
	3.	Correspondence, 1948-1949 [3 items]	
<u>1219A/6</u>		PORTSMOUTH COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE	<u>1967-1968</u>
	1.	Annual report 1967-1968	

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