

Watchet Market House Museum

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Name of museum WATCHET MARKET HOUSE MUSEUM

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Archive Collections in Museums

These may include photographs, legal documents, letters, personal papers, military and local government records, newspapers, pamphlets, advertisements, business records, sketch books, plans and architectural drawings. The formal records of the museum are also an archive but it is not necessary to include them on the list below unless they have been accessioned.

Listings of archives.

You may give group accession numbers and group descriptions if this is more convenient. If a computer listing is available, please send a copy on A4 paper and include the accession numbers. Otherwise please complete the following and send additional sheets with accession numbers and descriptions as necessary.

Accession Number	Description of Collections (including dates where known)
	Hymn Music Book printed at Watchet Paper Mill - probably early 1800s
	Cargoe Book of "Arran Monarch" 1900s
	Bible from Williton Workhouse
	Minute Book of Watchet Paper Mill
	Watchet Harbour Commissioners Disbursements Book - pre-1900



Please return to the NRA by 31 March 1997. Museums in Scotland can also return lists to the NRA (Scotland) at the Scottish Record Office. **DO NOT SEND TO YOUR AMC.**

NATIONAL REGISTER OF ARCHIVES

What is the National Register of Archives?

- The National Register of Archives (NRA) was established in 1945 to collect information about private papers, archives and records of all sorts in the UK held outside the Government records in the Public Record Office.
- It is maintained by the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts at its London offices and forms a **unique heritage resource for the whole of the UK**
- About 190,000 archive collections are listed from over 3,200 institutions and private individuals around the world. Original material is not collected.
- Virtually every area of life is covered, such as the arts, sciences, military and business history, the lives of individuals and families and national and local organisations.

Why does the NRA need the help of museums?

Some museums already send details of their collections to the NRA but it is recognised that many museums may not be familiar with the NRA's role.

Your contributions to the NRA would therefore be especially welcomed and appreciated as part of the NRA's aim to increase its listing of museums' archive collections.

The **Museums & Galleries Commission** fully supports this initiative by the NRA. The need for museums to contribute to the NRA was a recommendation of **Hidden Assets**, the MGC's recent report on archives and museums.

How can museums help?

By sending brief details of your archive collections (see over) they will become part of the major resource held at the NRA.

What are the benefits?

Information on the archive collection in your museum will be available to researchers at the NRA's search room and on the Royal Commission's Web Site. (<http://www.hmc.gov.uk>)

A fuller picture of the UK's holdings of archives will be created.

The museum will be helping fulfil its responsibility of making the collections accessible.

Further information and help is available from

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