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A list of the historical records
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A brief outline history of the Town and Country Planning Association

The Town and Country Planning Association (henceforth TCPA) is an all-party, non-sectarian voluntary body and is a registered educational charity; its activities are extensive and its influence as a pressure group far reaching. It concerns itself today with every aspect of town and country planning. It 'advocates and promotes an understanding of national and regional planning policies that will improve living and working conditions, safeguard the best countryside and farmland, enhance natural architectural and cultural amenities and advance economic efficiency'. It believes that these policies should be administered so as to leave the maximum amount of freedom for private and local initiative. It supports, for example, the opening out of congested areas as they are rebuilt, and the providing for the displaced people and industry in new towns and expanded country towns. In rural areas it stands for 'such grouping of towns and villages as will extend wherever possible the advantages of good services and social help and private agricultural prosperity'. It fights for open decision making and public participation in planning.

Although these are the policies for which the Association stands today, its aims and objects have evolved gradually since its formation in 1899 as the Garden Cities Association. This latter was founded in 1899 by a group of 13 men who were so influenced by the proposals of Ebenezer Howard, as propagated in his book, Tomorrow: A Peaceful Path to Real Reform (published in 1898) that they took practical steps to put his general principles into practice. His work today is more commonly known under the title of the revised edition which appeared in 1902, Garden Cities of Tomorrow. It is important to summarise his general principles here because they are referred to time and again and because they had such a lasting impact on planning developments.

The main components of Howard's proposals therefore are as follows. The physical spread of cities was to be limited primarily by establishing satellite towns (or Garden Cities) of 30,000 people. These satellite towns were to be self supporting by their own industry and sited well away from congested areas. They should be surrounded by a belt of open land reserved for agricultural use, which would also prevent urban sprawl (ie the beginnings of the green belt theory). Adequate space was to be provided not only for houses and gardens, but also for factories, shops, public buildings and recreation, and with easy access to the countryside. The land was to be held by the municipality in trust for the community, and all profit arising from the growth of the town was to be reserved for the community as a whole. It is important to realise that while Howard was concerned with the need for dispersal of population and industry from congested areas, he ultimately wanted the redevelopment of inner city areas at lower densities. Furthermore he saw planning as a collective social endeavour which was flexible and responsive to differing needs and preferences.

However, although his proposals had such far reaching and long lasting effects and evoked such an instantaneous response, it should not be imagined that his ideas were completely new or that he had developed them in total isolation. Certainly the 'model type' residential area was very much in fashion, and standards of family housing, open development and street planting - as outlined by Howard - had already been propounded and put into practice. The most obvious examples are Port Sunlight (1888) and

Bournville (1895). Moreover Howard put his ideas forward at a particularly favourable time. An important stimulus to his proposals came from the deplorable environment of urban workers, who lived in cramped, gardenless houses surrounded by factories and in areas where there was a general lack of open space, and there was a growing awareness of the size of this problem. The decline of rural areas, caused by the drift of population from the country to the city, made his proposals seem even more attractive. Other books which were widely read during the 1890s, such as William Morris's News from Nowhere and Peter Knopotkin's Field, Factories and Workshops, expressed similar sentiments. Perhaps one of Howard's greatest contributions, however, was to draw together all the current ideas and express them with his own in such a way as to arouse widespread support.

The Association quickly expanded and membership included an impressive number of influential public and professional figures. It devoted much attention during its early years to the promotion of the first Garden City experiment at Letchworth by addressing lectures on garden cities as a solution to the housing problem to all types of institutions and societies and by arranging a number of conferences. Putting Howard's ideas into practice in the 'working model' at Letchworth proved a major influence in the development of principles and methods of town planning, and also served as a stimulus to the development of the Garden City movement as a whole. Planned by Raymond Unwin and Barry Parker, it was the first example of its type of a completely planned town. The layout of residences, industry, agriculture and open spaces received equal consideration, so that land use zoning was practised, the street pattern and siting of buildings were studied and carefully related for convenience and amenity and architectural control over all buildings was exercised.

Following the foundation of Letchworth, the Association lobbied with some success for the introduction of statutory planning; and in 1909 the Housing and Town Planning Act was passed. As a consequence of this extension of interests, the Association altered its name to the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association. Yet despite persistent propaganda by the Association the concept of the Garden City was not adopted in public policy. Instead vast suburban extensions were developed, known as 'garden suburbs', which were in essence the very opposite of Howard's and the Association's plans for future town developments. These suburbs arose as a result of rapid transport facilities, the continued drift of industry to the large cities, and public demand for the new standard of open residential environment. The Association, however, was forced to give some support to these garden suburbs since, while it felt that garden cities were the only solution to the problem, the suburbs did offer better living conditions.

During the war years (1914-18) a small group of men - Howard, Osborn, Purdon and Taylor - formed themselves into a National Garden Cities Committee to bring the new town idea once again to the forefront, and urged the introduction of a scheme of garden city building in the post-war housing policy. Their ideas were put into print by Osborn in his book New Towns After the War, in which he urged the building of 100 new towns. In 1919 the Association absorbed this committee and made a renewed effort to get the Garden City principle adopted as part of the state and municipal housing and development policy. But their lobby was almost wholly neglected and, while the Association played a leading role in the successful fight for new and better housing standards, little attention was paid by

the Government to preventing urban sprawl. The four million houses built between the wars were almost all sited on the edge of existing towns and cities, and new problems were created by extensive ribbon development.

In an effort once again to influence government policy by putting theory into practice, Welwyn Garden City was founded in 1920 on the personal initiative of Howard and with valuable assistance from the Association. The successful venture was planned by Louis de Soissons and his partner Arthur Kenyon, and its influence on techniques of large-scale town planning and community organisation was considerable. Yet it failed to find favour with the government at this particular time. While it is possible to point to the work of the Manchester and Liverpool Corporations in their large-scale developments under unified ownership at Wythenshawe, Speke and Knowsley, these were still very much suburban developments on the edge of existing cities. Throughout the 1930s the Association continued to press policies of new town building, with some success, although its persistence was not to be wholly rewarded until the immediate post-war years. For example, in 1935 the London County Council's green belt scheme was launched, and in 1938 the Green Belt (London and Home Counties) Act was passed to make provision for the preservation from industrial or building developments of areas of land in and around London. In the provinces proposals were also being made for new towns for the relief of congested areas. Even the Town and Country Planning Act of 1932 contained provisions for the establishment of garden cities, but as yet there was no consistent national policy to halt urban sprawl and to provide for planned residential development.

It is important, however, not to see the Association as working in total isolation and apart from major developments in other spheres. Other bodies contributed to the lobby, and certain influences were at work in the 1930s and 1940s which made the Government much more receptive to such policies as those put forward by the Association. Other voluntary bodies who were also campaigning for the introduction of town planning included, for example, the National Housing Reform Council. Local government and professional associations were making similar demands, and they constituted a very influential body of opinion since they would be involved practically in carrying out any policies which were introduced. These bodies included the Association of Municipal Corporations, the Surveyors Institute, the Association of Municipal and County Engineers, the Royal Institute of British Architects and the Royal Town Planning Institute. The growth of this last body in the 1930s (founded in 1914) was of considerable importance. It represented an emerging body of professional planners who wanted a rational and long term plan for the best use of national resources, uninfluenced by political policies. There was in fact a growing body of opinion in Parliament and elsewhere in favour of more state and local intervention, and this was an important factor in changing the approach to planning. There was also a growing realisation that an apolitical and much more comprehensive approach was necessary and that a laissez-faire policy provided inadequate controls. The growing maturity of the Labour Party during this period was also an important factor in the development of increased government intervention. There was, moreover, influential concern over the way in which sporadic urban development was ravaging the countryside, expressed by many propagandist bodies but most successfully by the Council for the Preservation of Rural England. Other factors such as developments in transport made new towns policies far more feasible.

It must also be emphasised that elements of town planning were already in existence. The three Acts before 1939 which had introduced these elements were the Housing and Town Planning Acts of 1909 and 1919 and the Town and Country Planning Act of 1932. However, although certain attempts were made to deal with the difficulties caused, for example, by suburbanisation in the 1932 Act, much of the legislation was an extension of the existing legislation for housing and public health. The pre-war machinery for planning was in fact very defective: the nature of the legislation was in many cases vague; it was virtually optional on authorities; in many instances, the administrative procedure was very cumbersome and slow; the planning powers were essentially regulatory and restrictive; and any planning achieved was on a purely local scale since there was no co-ordination. Other problems included the need on the part of authorities to compensate landowners without any assistance from the Government. Consequently any schemes which were introduced were highly fragmentary. Yet, as already indicated, there was growing government awareness of the need for a more rational approach to planning; and the very existence of some statutory process under which many authorities had prepared schemes (even though only a small proportion were operative) meant that there was a general awareness of the rudiments of town planning and an important precedent for future legislation.

It is against this framework that the lobbying activities of bodies such as the Association should be seen; and the mounting pressure within the government for change can be seen during the war years in its discussions and enquiries and in the resulting formulation of post-war reconstruction and planning policies. It is an indication of the strength of the Association's lobby that it was able to take advantage of the opportunities it was offered in contributing to the post-war planning programme.

The publication of the report of the Barlow Commission (on the Geographical Distribution of the Industrial Population) in 1940 was probably the first positive step in the introduction of a town and country planning policy as we know it today and it implied acceptance of the Garden City idea. The Association gave evidence to the Commission and lobbied its members. The report recommended the creation of a central planning authority and a state policy of decentralisation and dispersal of industry and population from congested urban areas throughout Great Britain. Its recommendations were very much reinforced by the official reports of two other Government committees to which the Association also submitted evidence: the Scott Committee on Land Utilisation in Rural Areas, and the Uthwatt Committee on Compensation and Betterment. In 1941, a Ministry of Works and Planning - later renamed the Ministry of Town and Country Planning - was set up as a central planning authority. Also in 1941 the Association revised its name to the Town and Country Planning Association and, after consultation with other national bodies interested in some or all of its objectives, adopted as its new policy the so-called National Planning Basis. Osborn, Honorary Secretary of the Association, was appointed to the Panel for Physical Reconstruction by Lord Reith, Minister of Works and Buildings,, and he used the forum very much to the advantage of the Association. He also rewrote and reissued his book New Towns After the War and began another book Green Belt Cities in an effort to bring the Association's policies to the public eye. Public interest was also encouraged by the wide variety of literature produced by the political parties and various lobbies during the 1940s. The TCPA's contributions, which included a number of pamphlets, a series of booklets entitled Rebuilding Britain and various conference papers,

were very influential; and it is clear that the influence of this propagandist group was widely recognised. In 1945 Lord Silkin, Minister of Town and Country Planning, appointed a New Towns Committee with Lord Reith as Chairman. Several members of the Association served on the committee including Osborn. The committee produced three reports in which it was stated that new towns should be developed as 'self-contained and balanced communities for work and living' and not as dormitory suburbs. The reports were immediately followed by the introduction of a Bill, passed in 1946 as the New Towns Act, which provided for the setting up of satellite towns. This Act, together with other legislation (the Distribution of Industry Act of 1945, the Town and Country Planning Act of 1947 and the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act of 1949) provided the necessary machinery to impose a new concept of national planning for employment, new towns, land use and national recreation.

It might be thought that the legislative acceptance of TCPA's New Town principle was the culmination of its work as a pressure group, but the introduction of the New Towns Act should only be seen as the end of the Association's first phase of work. The Association became involved in new problems during the 1950s and 1960s and its policies have changed to meet the new demands. The challenges which it has faced include the actual acceptance of this concept of New Towns by the public and the designation of further new towns after the original post-war ones had been established; the working of the expanded towns policy as introduced by the Town Development Act of 1952 and the efforts to prevent it replacing the new towns policy; the prevention of 'highrise' housing; and the need to formulate a policy which represented the interests of town and country adequately. Indeed since the 1950s the TCPA's policies have very much emphasised the region rather than the town.

The TCPA and its preceding organisations owe much of their success in influencing government policy to the quality of the support of its members and officers. Early influential members included, for example, such successful industrialists as George Cadbury, Joseph Rowntree and Aneurin Williams, public figures like Sir Ralph Newise and accomplished planners including Raymond Unwin and Barry Parker (whose work at Letchworth made them world famous), Dr Thomas Adams (the first full time Secretary of the Association and later the planner for New York) and Patrick Abercrombie. The Association received much encouragement from the work of Abercrombie who was commissioned to prepare the Greater London Plan (published in 1945). His proposals were those very much favoured by the Association: he proposed that three-quarters of a million people should move out of London to new and existing towns within a 50 mile radius of the city and eight new towns should be built in the London region, each to have a population of 60,000. Probably the most important of the Association's members, however, has been Frederic J Osborn who perhaps did most to propagate Howard's ideas. He was co-secretary and estate manager at Welwyn from 1912, and in 1936 he became Honorary Secretary of the Association. His greatest achievements were building Welwyn and convincing the war-time and post-war governments to introduce legislation which put planning firmly on dispersal and garden city lines.

Like any pressure groups whose aspirations depend on legislation the Association has constantly sought the support of Members of Parliament, and a number of influential MPs have indeed been members of the Association.

These have included, for example, a number of Ministers in recent governments such as Michael Stewart, Graham Page, Anthony Crosland, William Deedes and Dennis Howell.

The Association today provides a forum for the discussion, formulation and dissemination of planning policy. It acts as a link between professional planners, technicians, industrialists, business men, political administrators, members of public bodies and members of the general public interested in planning. Its national conferences have always provided a valuable service for its own members, representatives of local authorities and others to meet together for discussion of specific planning issues. Regional and local conferences, and weekend and one day schools are held for similar purposes and for public education. Lectures, discussion meetings and seminars are also held regularly.

The TCPA offers three other major services which have only recently been established but which indicate a widening of the Association's activities.

- 1 The Planning Aid Service is an information service, established in 1972, which handles inquiries and provides the public with advice on all issues relating to town and country planning; it gives impartial help on planning problems and appeals. The service was set up because of the vast increase in all types of inquiry, although by far the greatest volume comes from individuals and groups who have a very real need for information on the working of the planning process
- 2 The Environmental Education Unit arose from a need for education on planning matters to be included in secondary school education and in the training of teachers (as suggested by the governmental committee chaired by Skeffington on public participation in planning, which reported in 1969). As a result of this and the growing number of inquiries received by the TCPA from schools and teachers, the Association set up an educational unit which provides an advisory service, news and ideas to school teachers and educationalists. Its aim is to help prepare the young for a responsible role in community affairs and to encourage planners to take an interest in environmental education.
- 3 The Council for Urban Studies Centres, another educational venture, was established to promote Urban Studies Centres where school children can learn about the environment and where community participation in planning can be based. (It arose out of the growth in the last 15 years of Field Centres used by schools, and the TCPA's aim is to press for their urban equivalents.)

The Association also has a wide ranging publications programme. It publishes a monthly journal, Town and Country Planning, which includes articles on topical planning issues, statements on major planning issues, and view points, book reviews and news of TCPA activities. The Bulletin of Environmental Education (BEE) is also a monthly publication produced by the Environmental Education Unit. This contains material of immediate use to teachers and acts as a guide to resources and methods for teaching about the urban environment and general planning problems. Planning Bulletin is a weekly newsheet providing details of planning publications and forthcoming events. Over the years the Association has also commissioned or sponsored a large number of booklets and pamphlets. For example, in the 1940s it sponsored a 'Rebuilding Britain' series of booklets whose titles include Plan for Living,

Industry and Town Planning, The Land and Planning, Planning of the Countryside and The War and the Planning Outlook. Reports of the more important conferences and major statements which the Association has issued have also been published. More recent titles include The New Citizen's Guide to Town and Country Planning, Streetwork : the Exploding School, and New Town : The British Experience. The Association aims to produce publications of interest to both lay and professional readers.

The Association is governed by a Council of 60 elected by the members from their number at the Annual Meeting. The Council in turn appoints the Executive Committee. Other Committees are appointed by the Executive Committee. The major source of income of the TCPA is from membership subscriptions, the greater part of which comes from local authority membership. It also depends heavily on the generosity of organisations and individuals for funds, especially the grant-giving foundations such as Rowntree and Leverhulme. Without this aid many of the Association's enterprises would not have been possible.

Membership is open to all who are in agreement with the policies of the TCPA, and it includes local authorities (who send delegates to conferences and who are represented on the Council and on ad hoc committees); industrial and business firms; professional people concerned with planning (planners, architects, lawyers, surveyors, engineers); local societies of all types (civic and amenity societies, trades organisations, Chambers of Commerce, Women's Guilds); educational establishments; and individual members. Yet despite drawing members from the whole country, it does not have a regional structure (with the exception of a Scottish branch). However, it does have some overlapping of membership with such local bodies as the West Midlands New Towns Association. Plans are at present under consideration for the setting up of a regional network because of the increasingly widespread effect of planning and the need for an understanding of problems at a more local level. Planning Forum is an independent offshoot of the TCPA which arranges its own meetings and tours in the South-East.

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Notes on the historical records

Some records of the Association have been retained, but these are by no means complete; the archive has been substantially depleted by changes of office and by war time destruction.

There are, for example, a number of minute books missing for the period to 1939. Two general minute books of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association survive running consecutively from Jan 1913-Mar 1920, but those covering the periods 1899-1912 and Apr 1920-Oct 1938 do not survive. The surviving general minute books contain minutes not only of the Council and Executive Committee but also of a wide variety of other committees and of conferences and annual meetings. They record minutes of major committees of the Executive such as the Finance, General Purposes and Public Utilities Committees and also minutes of lesser committees. These include, for

example, an Organisation, a Colonial, an Australian Towns, a Literature, a Legal, a Housing and a Development Committee and many others including even a Committee to establish a professorship for Town Planning in London. A third minute book covering the period Nov 1938-Apr 1944 contains minutes of the Council and Committees of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association up to March 1941 and thereafter minutes of the Council and Executive Committee of the TCPA.

All minutes of the TCPA Council and Executive Committee do in fact survive intact up to present date. Records of some other committees of the TCPA also survive - Educational Propaganda Committee (1943-44), New Towns Committee (1953-54), Industrial Business Committee (1953), Country Towns Committee (1951-55), Local Authorities Committee (1953-61), Dispersal Policy Committee (1956-57), Advertising Advisory Committee (1966-68), Editorial Advisory Committee (1962-70) and Clubs Committee (1953-54).

Minutes of the Annual General Meetings of the Association survive in one volume for the period 1901 to 1967.

Rather interestingly a minute book of the Manchester Branch of the Garden Cities Association is retained at the TCPA headquarters. It serves as an indication of some sort of regional organisation of the early Association and perhaps also indicates the extent and popularity of the policies for which the Association stood. Minutes (1966-1977) of the Executive Committee of the Scottish branch of the TCPA (the sole regional development within the present framework of the Association) are also kept at the Association's headquarters.

Other administrative records include papers and proceedings of TCPA annual conferences (1953-66) and regional and special conferences (1945-70); executive papers and directors' reports (1964-71); evidence presented by the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association and the TCPA to Government Commissions and Committees and at public inquiries; TCPA memoranda, policy statements and press releases on planning policy and administration (1940s to date); and files of administrative material, the majority of which contain correspondence etc concerning contributions to the TCPA journal (1950s-60s) or concerning other publications (1960s and 70s). The correspondence files of F J Osborn (Honorary Secretary of the Association (1955-70)) also contain much material relating to articles for the TCPA journal, the arranging of lectures and speakers for conferences etc, as well as some correspondence with MPs, Ministers and public authorities relating to legislation, government policy etc. Files containing material of more ephemeral nature include those relating to Osborn's 90th birthday celebrations and retirement dinner (1961) and the TCPA's Diamond Jubilee Appeal and celebrations (1959).

A series of files relating to Welwyn and Letchworth Garden Cities contain very little relating to the Association's interest in and assistance to these Garden Cities, and most of the material is very peripheral to the mainstream of the Association's major objectives. For example, the Welwyn material (apart from an early map and photograph of Welwyn and a printed announcement of the invitation to subscribers and an estate sale guide for the estate on which Welwyn was built, all of 1919), relates to the publication - ie proofs, copy and correspondence - of F J Osborn's book Genesis of Welwyn Garden City and material relating to the Jubilee of

Welwyn in 1970. Similarly the Letchworth material consists of correspondence and printed material relating to the arrangements for the 50th Anniversary of Letchworth. However there is also a substantial amount of material concerning the proposals in the late 1950s by the Board of the First Garden City Ltd (the company which created the town of Letchworth) to remove the five per cent limitations on the ordinary dividend, which the TCPA recommended the shareholders to vote against because it felt that this would be a departure from the fundamental principle behind the foundation of the company.

The Association has, however, retained many of its publications: it has a complete set of the annual reports of the TCPA from 1941 to date; and some annual reports of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association also survive, although sporadically for 1927 to 1940. Almost complete sets of its regular publications have also been retained:

Planning Bulletin, issued weekly, survives intact from 1947 when it was first produced. This is really a newsheet reporting planning news and drawing attention to recent planning publications and such events as lectures and conferences.

Bulletin of Environmental Education, issued monthly from May 1971, is also complete. It is a form of expanding guide to materials and methods for teaching about the environment, especially the urban environment, and also about general planning problems.

Town and Country Planning is the name by which the journal of the Association has been known since 1932. Today it is published monthly, although between 1932 and 1950 it was issued quarterly. Before 1932, when it was again generally a monthly publication, the journal was known as Garden Cities and Town Planning. This survives from 1911, although volume 2 for 1912 appears to be missing. Before that date a monthly publication called The Garden City was issued of which the Association appears to possess only one volume, that for 1906. The journal - the so-called independent voice of British planning - is extremely informative and is read both by expert and professional people actively involved in the planning of the environment and by non-professionals with only a lay interest. It has contained critical comment and articles on such topical planning issues as inner city renewal, new town planning, countryside recreation, distribution of population, public participation, housing and green belt. Feature articles have included descriptions of various planning schemes and planning developments in other countries. Reports of committees, statements and views of the TCPA on major policy issues, notes on bills and their progress through Parliament and correspondence from members have also been included in the journal. The journal is in effect a running record of the Garden City movement and the development of the Association.

The Association has also retained other pamphlets, books and leaflets, some of which it has commissioned or sponsored. These include a number of Garden City and Town Planning Association general leaflets on topical matters, TCPA Reconstruction Leaflets (1943-44), printed conference programmes, holiday study tour programmes (1954-60), printed bibliographies, printed conference reports, and numerous books and pamphlets written for both lay and professional interests. The value of the Association's publications cannot be underestimated for, together with the statements issued by the Association, they have proved to be a major influence on British planning policy.

Other material of value includes a large collection of bound volumes, scrap books and loose leaf files of press cuttings dating from 1937 providing a valuable additional source about TCPA activities. The Association also has a substantial collection of slides on town and country planning dating from 1914 onwards and two albums containing prints of some of the slides.

As a result of this summary it becomes immediately clear that large areas of the Association are almost wholly undocumented. This is especially true of the earliest years of the Association, for which the first minute books are lost and the only source between 1899 and 1911 is the Annual General Meeting Minute Book (apart from one volume of the journal for 1906). From 1911, however, the journal will prove to be an invaluable source for the activities and policies of the Association, especially for those years where minute books are missing (1920-38). From 1938 onwards the work of the Association is formally documented by the minutes of the Executive Committee and Council, and of some lesser committees (almost exclusively 1950s), annual reports, conference papers and proceedings, statements of evidence etc; and less formally by other publications and press cuttings.

Archival note

The aim of this list has been to provide a general guide to the surviving records of the Association in sufficient detail and explanation to indicate to researchers their content and potential. The Association has been allocated its own individual identity code (TCPA) and its records listed as far as possible according to function; (that is; they have been divided into administrative records, legal records, publications, social and personal material and ephemera). The records have been given a running number for information purposes.

Location and access

All surviving records of the Association are kept at its headquarters at 17 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AS. The TCPA is willing in principle to make its archives available to bona fide academic researchers with whom it will co-operate fully. Applications for access should be made in writing to the Planning and Information Officer.

A ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS

I Council and Executive Committee Minute Books of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association,¹ and of the Town and Country Planning Association²

- 1 Council and Executive Committee Minute Book, Garden Cities and Town Planning Association, Jan 1913-Sep 1916
- 2 Council and Executive Committee Minute Book, Garden Cities and Town Planning Association, Oct 1916-Mar 1920
- 3 Council and Executive Committee Minute Book, Garden Cities and Town Planning Association, and Town and Country Planning Association, Nov 1938-Apr 1944
- 4 Council and Executive Committee Minute Book, Town and Country Planning Association, Apr 1944-Mar 1951
- 5 Council and Executive Committee Minute Book, Town and Country Planning Association, Apr 1951-Nov 1957
- 6 Council and Executive Committee Minute Book, Town and Country Planning Association, Dec 1957-Apr 1963
- 7 Council and Executive Committee Minute Book, Town and Country Planning Association, Apr 1963-Oct 1969
- 8 Council and Executive Committee Minute Book, Town and Country Planning Association, Nov 1969-Jun 1973
- 9 Council and Executive Committee Minute Book, Town and Country Planning Association, Jul 1973-1976

II Minute Book of the Annual General Meetings of the Garden Cities Association, the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association, and the Town and Country Planning Association

- 1 Minute Book of the Annual General Meetings of the Garden Cities Association, the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association, and the Town and Country Planning Association, Dec 1901-Apr 1967

III Minute Book of the Annual General Meetings of the British Garden Cities and Town Planning Association Inc, and the Town and Country Planning Association Inc.

- 1 Minute Book of the Annual General Meetings of the British Garden Cities and Town Planning Association Inc, and the Town and Country Planning Association Inc, Mar 1937-May 1961

1 These are handwritten. They include not just minutes of the Council and Executive Committee, but also minutes of a wide variety of other committees, conferences and annual meetings. The major committees of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association appear to have been the Finance, General Purposes, Public Utilities Societies and Organisation Committees. However other committees included a Colonial Committee, an Australasian Town Committee, a Literature Committee, a Legal Committee, a Thames-Side Housing and Development Committee, and even a Committee to establish a professorship for Town Planning in London.

2 Renamed as such in March 1941.

IV Minute Books of Committees of the Town and Country Planning Association

- 1 Minute Book, Educational Propaganda Committee, Jan 1942-Nov 1944
- 2 Minute Book, New Towns Committee, Committee on Social Facilities in New Towns and Steering Committee for the Conference on Social Facilities in New Towns, Apr 1953-Dec 1954
- 3 Minute Book, Industrial and Business Committee, Apr-Oct 1953
- 4 Minute Book, Country Towns Committee, Jun 1951-Nov 1955
- 5 Minute Book, Local Authorities Committee, May 1953-Feb 1961
- 6 Minute Book, Dispersal Policy Committee, Nov 1956-Dec 1957
- 7 Minute Book, Club Committee, Apr 1953-Jun 1954
- 8 Minute Book, Advertising Advisory Committee, Jul 1966-May 1968
- 9 Minute Book, Editorial Advisory Committee, Jan 1962-Feb 1970

V Branch Minute Books of the Garden Cities Association, and of the Town and Country Planning Association

- 1 Minute Book, Manchester Branch of the Garden Cities Association (mainly Executive Committee and Lecture Subcommittee minutes), Apr 1902-Sep 1903
- 2 Minute Book, Executive Committee of the Scottish Town and Country Planning Association, Apr 1966-Jan 1977

VI Papers and Proceedings of the Town and Country Planning Association Annual Conferences, 1953-1966

- 1 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Annual Conferences, 1953 and 1954: 'Financial Problems of Planning', and 'Inquiry into Planning'
- 2 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Annual Conferences, 1955 and 1956: 'Changing Britain' and 'Key Points in Planning'
- 3 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Annual Conferences, 1957 and 1958: 'Post-war Planning, Sotck-taking and Prospect', and 'Positive Planning'
- 4 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Annual Conferences, 1959 and 1960: 'Challenge to Planning' and 'Planning and the Local Employment Bill'
- 5 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Annual Conference, 1961: 'The Land, The People and The Plans'
- 6 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Annual Conference, 1962: 'Planning and Rebuilding'
- 7 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Annual Conference, 1963: 'Growth, Change and Planning'
- 8 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Annual Conference, 1964: 'Planning Britain's Regions'
- 9 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Annual Conference, 1965: 'Planning's New Priorities'
- 10 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Annual Conference, 1966: 'Transport and the Environment'

VII Papers and Proceedings of the Town and Country Planning Association Regional and Special Conferences, 1945-1970

- 1 Papers and Proceedings of a Conference arranged by TCPA Planning Centre : 'The Planning Problems of Holiday Areas'; Ventnor, IOW, 1945
- 2 Papers and Proceedings of a Conference arranged by TCPA and British Social Hygiene Council : 'The Needs and Problems of the Family'; London, 1946

- 3 Papers and Proceedings of a Conference arranged by TCPA Planning Centre : 'Planning Problems of the Countryside'; London, 1946
- 4 Papers and Proceedings of a Manchester Regional Conference : 'Dispersal in the Manchester Region'; Manchester, 1957
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- 8 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Conference : 'Town Development. Achievements and Obstacles'; Aylesbury, 1962
- 9 Papers and Proceedings of a North-East Regional Conference : 'The Future Development of the North-East'; Newcastle, 1963
- 10 Papers and Proceedings of a Conference arranged by the TCPA and the Washington Center for Metropolitan Studies : 'Anglo-American Seminar on the Planning of Urban Regions'; Ditchley Park, Oxon, 1964
- 11 Papers and Proceedings of a conference arranged by TCPA and the Association of Agriculture : 'The Future of Country Towns'; Leamington, 1964
- 12 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA conference : 'The Government's South-East Study'; London 1964 (printed)
- 13 Papers and Proceedings of Conference arranged by TCPA and the South Wales branch of the Town Planning Institute : 'The Planning Needs and Future Development of Wales'; Cardiff, 1966
- 14 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Conference : 'The Land Commission Bill'; London 1966
- 15 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Conference : 'Social Facilities in New and Expanded Towns'; Hemel Hempstead, 1967
- 16 Papers and Proceedings of TCPA Welwyn Garden City Jubilee Conference: 'New Town in the Present and Future'; 1970

VIII Executive Papers and Directors' Reports

- 1 File of Executive Papers and Directors' Reports, Jan 1964-Jul 1968
- 2 File of Executive Papers and Directors' Reports, Sep 1968-Apr 1971

IX Specialist evidence submitted by the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association, and Town and Country Planning Association; and associated evidence

- 1 Evidence presented by the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association to the Government Committee on Garden Cities re proposals for the building of Garden Cities. Printed, nd
- 2 Evidence of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association to the Commission on the Geographical Distribution of Industrial Population (Barlow Commission). Printed, 1938 (2 copies)
- 3 Statement of Evidence submitted by Welwyn Garden City Ltd, to the Barlow Commission. Printed, 1938
- 4 2 volumes of minutes of evidence of the Barlow Commission, 1938
- 5 Evidence of the Town and Country Planning Association to the Committee on Compensation and Betterment (Utthwatt Committee), 1941
- 6 Minutes of evidence to the Select Committee of the House of Lords on the Letchworth Garden City Corporation Bill, 1962, Days 1-4

- 7 Evidence of the Town and Country Planning Association and other bodies submitted to the Royal Commission on Local Government, 1966
 - 8 Evidence of Town and Country Planning Association to the Greater London Development Plan Inquiry, 1968 (2 copies)
 - 9 Evidence of the Town and Country Planning Association to the Birmingham Corporation Public Inquiry, re Overspill Proposals for development in North Worcestershire, 1969
 - 10 Evidence of the Town and Country Planning Association to the Parliamentary Expenditure Committee Inquiry into New Towns, 1973
- X Reports of Town and Country Planning Association Meetings
- 1 File of reports of talks at the Housing Centre, 1944-1946
 - 2 File of reports of TCPA lunchtime meetings, 1943
 - 3 File of reports of TCPA lunchtime meetings, 1944
- XI Other Town and Country Planning Association evidence, policy statements, private memoranda, press releases etc
- 1 Copies of two speeches by F J Osborn : 'Houses or Flats', 1943; 'Food from Gardens', 1954
 - 2 File containing TCPA notes, memoranda, evidence etc relating to housing and planning, 1944-1946
They include a memorandum on the proposed subsidies in Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 1946 and reasons for proposed amendments; evidence by TCPA on future housing policy to the Ministry of Health Advisory Committee on Housing; a note on planning and housing; notes, memoranda, amendments etc to Town and Country Planning Bill (1944), a white paper on control of land use and government statements
 - 3 File containing material relating to houses or flats, 1943-1944
This includes publications 'Houses or Flats' (a reprint from Town and Country Planning), Reconstruction Leaflets No 2, 1943, and No 6, 'Flat-Phobia or Flat-Mania', together with correspondence
 - 4 File containing material relating to the Wythenshawe Housing Estate, 1944
 - 5 File containing material relating to the Post-War Holiday Group, 1944-1946
 - 6 File containing material relating to New Towns, 1946-1947
 - 7 File containing material relating to the Town and Country Planning Bill and Act
This contains proposed amendments by TCPA and others, and a memoranda produced by TCPA, RIBA and Chartered Surveyors Institute
 - 8 File of Town and Country Planning Association policy statements, 1944-1967
 - 9 File of Town and Country Planning Association press releases, 1958-1963

XIII Boxfiles of administrative material

1 Boxfile on Letchworth Garden City

- 1 File containing correspondence, circulars to MPs and Lords, memoranda and statements on the subject of the Letchworth Garden City Bill (1962), 1960-1962
- 2 File containing correspondence on the subject of a Special Jubilee issue of the Journal on Letchworth's anniversary in 1953. This file includes correspondence from Aneurin Bevan, Clarence Stein and Carl Feiss
- 3 File of correspondence with and newspaper articles on the subject of the First Garden City Ltd, 1956
NB The TCPA recommended the shareholders to vote against a proposal by the Board of the First Garden City Ltd to remove the 5% limitation on the Ordinary dividend, since it felt that this would be a departure from the fundamental principle behind the foundation of the company
- 4 File of correspondence with the Urban District Council of Letworth and UDC statements regarding the above, 1956
- 5 File of proxy queries
- 6 File of correspondence with Letchworth stockholders concerning their votes on proposals. It includes letters from Lord Beveridge, Clement Davies MP and C B Purdom, late 1950s
- 7 File of circular letters to shareholders, relating to an invitation by the TCPA to unite with it in opposition to the Board of the First Garden City Ltd
- 8 File containing copies of speeches made at a First Garden City Ltd meeting, 1956
- 9 File of correspondence etc on the subject of Letchworth's 50th Anniversary dinner, 1953. This includes invitation lists, seating plans, copies of speeches, invitations, designs for the souvenir menu and other ephemera; correspondence from Colin Thornton-Kemsley MP, Lord Salisbury, Ernest Marples MP, Louis de Soissons and Patrick Abercrombie
- 10 File containing material relating to arrangements for the Jubilee press reception, 1953
- 11 File containing material relating to arrangements for the Jubilee press reception, 1953

2 Boxfile on Welwyn Garden City

- 1 Early map and photograph of Welwyn Garden City and announcement of invitation to subscribers, (1919)
- 2 Estate sale guide for property bought to build Welwyn: particulars, photographs, plans and conditions of sale, 1919 (Ebenezer Howard, personal copy)
- 3 File of material, proofs and copy relating to the publication Genesis of Welwyn Garden City
- 4 File of correspondence relating to Genesis of Welwyn Garden City, 1970
- 5 File of material on a reprint of Genesis of Welwyn Garden City, 1973

- 6 File containing a copy of the Welwyn Jubilee Conference paper (1970), 'New Towns in the Present and Future', and newspaper articles relating to the Jubilee
- 3 Boxfile containing correspondence of F J Osborn
- The following correspondence files include much material relating to the organisation of articles for the TCPA journal, lectures, speakers etc. They also contain some correspondence with MPs, Lords and others relating to legislation, government policy etc. The files contain letters, for example, from Evelyn Sharp, Lionel Robbins, Clough Williams-Ellis, Lewis Mumford, John Betjeman, Louis de Soisson, Duncan Sandys MP, Patrick Abercrombie, Carl Feiss and Lord Beveridge
- 1 File of correspondence of F J Osborn, 1955-1956
 - 2 File of correspondence of F J Osborn, 1957
 - 3 File of correspondence of F J Osborn, 1958
 - 4 File of correspondence of F J Osborn, 1958
 - 5 File of correspondence of F J Osborn, 1959
- 4 Boxfile containing correspondence of F J Osborn
- The content of these files is similar to that of those above, although they mainly relate to the publication of the TCPA journal and the organisation of lectures. They include letters from Lord Chorley, Rt Hon Michael Stewart MP, Carl Feiss, Lady Pepler and others
- 1 File of correspondence of F J Osborn, 1960-1962
 - 2 File of correspondence of F J Osborn, 1963
 - 3 File of correspondence of F J Osborn, 1964-1966
 - 4 File of correspondence of F J Osborn, 1967-1970
 - 5 File containing material relating to an F J Osborn talk and article, 1974-1975
- 5 Boxfile containing miscellaneous TCPA correspondence files
- 1 File of correspondence with Patrick Abercrombie, 1949 and 1956-1957 relating to possible publications for the TCPA journal
 - 2 File of correspondence with Clarence Stein, 1954-1955 relating to a possible article for the TCPA Journal
 - 3 File of correspondence with Lewis Silkin, 1968-1969 relating to a review of a pamphlet on Jerusalem
 - 4 File of correspondence with Clough Williams-Ellis
 - 5 File containing documents and newspaper articles relating to the County of London Plan, 1943
 - 6 File containing material relating to F J Osborn's 90th birthday celebrations, 1975. It includes letters from Dame Evelyn Sharp, Lord Gardine and Lewis Mumford
- 6 Boxfile containing correspondence between the TCPA and individuals on the subject of articles for the Journal of the Association
- 1 File of correspondence with Lady Pepler, 1960-1961 relating to her article for the TCPA Journal on Towns in Brazil

- 2 File of correspondence with Mrs Jean Mann MP, 1960-1961 relating to her article 'Replanning in Scotland' for the TCPA Journal
 - 3 File of correspondence with D P Moynihan (American Senator), 1970 relating to a possible contribution to the TCPA Journal
 - 4 File of correspondence with David Eversley, 1958-1969 relating to his contributions to the TCPA Journal
 - 5 File of correspondence with Gerrald Manners, 1961-1962 relating to his article 'New Road Plan for South Wales' for the TCPA Journal
 - 6 File of correspondence with Robin Best (Wye College), 1962 relating to his review of a book for the TCPA Journal
 - 7 File of correspondence with MPs and Lords offering free subscription to the TCPA Journal, 1962
- 7 Boxfile containing material relating to F H Osborn's retirement dinner (1961) and to the TCPA Diamond Jubilee Appeal (1959)
- 1 File of correspondence relating to F J Osborn's dinner on retirement from the chair of the TCPA Executive, 1961. It includes copies of speeches by Rt Hon Henry Brooke MP, and Desmond Donnelly MP, letters from Lord Reith and Dame Flora Robson and printed material
 - 2 File of acceptances for sponsorship of the TCPA Diamond Jubilee Appeal, 1959
 - 3 File of refusals for sponsorship of the TCPA Diamond Jubilee Appeal
 - 4 File of printed material, circulars, list of sponsors etc, relating to the TCPA Diamond Jubilee Appeal
 - 5 File containing three draft letters to sponsors of the TCPA Diamond Jubilee Appeal
 - 6 File containing material relating to the Jubilee Subcommittee
 - 7 Book recording guest list of Jubilee Dinner
- 8 Boxfile containing material relating to TCPA publications
- 1 File of correspondence, other material and manuscripts relating to Tomorrow Slowly Comes, 1963
 - 2 File of correspondence, other material and manuscripts relating to Tomorrow Slowly Comes, 1963
 - 3 File of correspondence and other material relating to Housing in Britain, 1964
 - 4 File of advertising material for Housing in Britain
 - 5 File of correspondence and other material relating to Intelligent Voter's Guide to Town and Country Planning, 1964
 - 6 File of advertising material for Intelligent Voter's Guide to Town and Country Planning
- 9 Boxfile containing material relating to TCPA publications
- 1 File of correspondence, proofs, etc relating to 'Citizen's Guide to Town and Country Planning', 1967

- 10 Boxfile containing material relating to TCPA publications
 - 1-5 Files containing correspondence, manuscripts, proofs, advertising material, press releases, original line drawings etc relating to the New Citizen's Guide to Town and Country Planning, 1974
 - 11 Boxfile containing material relating to TCPA publications
 - 1-6 Files containing correspondence, manuscripts, proofs, advertising material, press releases, original line drawings etc relating to the New Citizen's Guide to Town and Country Planning, 1974
 - 12 Boxfile containing material relating to TCPA publications
 - 1 File of correspondence etc relating to 'participation' book (abortive), 1974
 - 2 File of drafts of the above
 - 3 File of correspondence and other material relating to a 'New Towns' book (abortive), 1975
 - 4 File of correspondence relating to and manuscript of Say it Again Ben, 1974
- XIII Correspondence with the Town and Country Planning Association (Scottish Section)
- 1 File of correspondence with the TCPA Scottish Section, 1959-1965
- XIV Material relating to Planning Forum
- 1 File of material - including cuttings, constitution and circulars - relating to Planning Forum (the junior body of TCPA, whose object is to bring together all those interested in exchanging ideas about planning), 1966-1967

B LEGAL RECORDS

I Printed Rules

- 1 Printed rules of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association
- 2 Printed rules of the Town and Country Planning Association

II Memoranda and Articles of Association

- 1 Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association Inc
- 2 Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Town and Country Planning Association Inc

C PUBLICATIONS

- I The Garden City, Vol I, no 1-12, Feb 1906-Jan 1907 (bound)
A monthly publication of Garden Cities Association
- II Garden Cities and Town Planning, vols I-XXII, 1911-1932 (bound)
A monthly publication of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association, although in some years only 10 issues were published. During the war years, 1916, 1917 and 1918 only 8, 4 and 4 issues respectively appeared and volumes for these years - VI, VII and VIII - are bound together
NB vol II is missing
- III Town and Country Planning, vols I- , 1932 - (bound)
A quarterly publication of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association, and the Town and Country Planning Association up to 1950, and thereafter issued monthly
- IV Planning Bulletin, 1947-
A digest of News and Comment, published weekly from 1947 to date
- V Bulletin of Environmental Education, May 1971-
Published monthly, from May 1971 to date; and aimed at teachers
- VI Boxfile containing Annual Reports of the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association, the Town and Country Planning Association and the Town and Country Planning Association (Scottish Section); and some associated material
- 1 Annual Reports of Garden Cities and Town Planning Association
Nos 28-32, 1927-1931
Nos 34-37, 1933-1936
Nos 39-41, 1938-1940
 - 2 Annual Reports of the Town and Country Planning Association
Nos 42-69, 1941-1978
 - 3 Annual Reports of the Town and Country Planning Association (Scottish Section)
No 27, 1964-1965
No 32, 1969-1970
No 34, 1971-1972
 - 4 Circulars relating to the holding of Annual Meetings, 1920-1960 (not incomplete)
 - 5 Town and Country Planning Association Rules, 1942 and amendment, 1945
- VII Boxfile containing wide variety of publications including Garden Cities and Town Planning Association leaflets, Town and Country Planning Association Reconstruction leaflets and Information leaflets; series of articles, some by F J Osborn; Holiday Study Tour programmes (arranged by TCPA), bibliographies, and conference programmes
- 1 Garden Cities and Town Planning Association Leaflets
No 1: Town Planning. What it is and why it is needed, nd
(Supplement to Garden Cities and Town Planning)

- No 4: Garden Cities and National Housing Policy, nd
(A memorandum prepared by the Executive Committee for presentation to the Minister of Health. Reprinted from Garden Cities and Town Planning)
- No 7: Decentralisation and Town Growth. The Problem of the Industrial Expansion of London, Alderman Ewart G Calpin, nd
- No 8: Garden Cities : An all-party programme (reprinted from Garden Cities and Town Planning), nd
- No 9: On Slums, nd
- No 11: The Present Housing Law, Alfred T Pike, nd
- No 12: The Preparation of Planning Schemes under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, Alfred T Pike, nd
- No 13: Nothing gained by overcrowding, Sir Raymond Unwin, nd
- No 15: Garden City Principles and Policy, nd
- No 17: Overcrowding. Housing Act, 1935, Alderman A T Pike, nd
- No 18: Some Reflections on Ebenezer Howard and his Movement, Cecil Harmsworth, 1936

2 Town and Country Planning Association Reconstruction Leaflets

- No 1: 'Comp and Bett' A BBC talk on the Uthwatt Report, 1943
- No 2: Houses or Flats.....? Reprinted from Town and Country Planning, 1943
- No 3: Four Stones to Kill the Giant Squalor: Planned location of industry, sane use of transport, well equipped family homes, an efficient building industry, 1943
- No 4: Planning for People, W H Corbett, 1943
- No 5: County of London Plan. A Statement by the Executive of the Town and Country Planning Association, 1943
- No 6: Flat-Phobia or Flat-Mania, F J Osborn, 1943
- No 7: Town and Country Planning Policy. A statement on the Town and Country Planning Bill (1944) and White Paper on the control of land use by the Executive Committee, 1944
- No 8: Redevelopment and Overspill under the Town and Country Planning Act (1944), R L Reiss, 1944
- No 1: Town and Country Planning Association's Programme for Immediate Action....., 1945

3 Town and Country Planning Association Information Leaflets

- No 1: 1947 Town and Country Planning Bill

4 Town and Country Planning Association Holiday Study Tour Programmes, 1954-1960

These tours are arranged annually and enable TCPA members - professional or otherwise - with family and friends to enjoy a holiday, and add to their understanding of people, towns, countryside, way of life etc. They include visits to historic sites, scenic attractions, and important modern developments; and social meetings arranged by government and professional bodies in countries visited. Local planners, architects and other specialists also advise.

5 Printed Conference Programmes

- 1 Programme: Second Conference on Practical Steps towards Decentralisation, Welwyn, nd
- 2 Programme: Conference : A Plan for Greater London, London, 1938
- 3 Programme: Conference, Cardiff, 1939
- 4 Programme: National Conference : 'Planning and the People', 1951
- 5 Programme: National Conference : 'Development Plans', 1952
- 6 Programme: National Conference : 'Get Town Planning Straight', 1953
- 7 Programme: Country Towns Conference, Leamington Spa, 1953
- 8 Programme: Conference and Exhibition : Office Location in the London Region, 1958
- 9 Programme: National Conference : 'Planning and Rebuilding', London, 1962
- 10 Programme: Diamond Jubilee Conference : 'Challenge to Planning', 1959

6 Articles

- 1 F J Osborn, 'A Readers Guide. Town and Country Planning', 1947
- 2 F J Osborn, 'The Conqueror City' (Reprinted from Planning, 1960)
- 3 F J Osborn, 'Housing, Town Planning and Full Employment' (Reprinted from Town and Country Planning)
- 4 F J Osborn, 'Public Influence on Planning' (Town and Country Planning Association Summer School, Oxford, 1951)
- 5 F J Osborn, 'Bigger Cities or More Cities' (Reprinted from Occasional Bulletin issued by the Co-operative Permanent Building Society, no 58, Oct 1963)
- 6 Elizabeth McAllister, 'Towards National Planning for Town and Country'

7 Bibliographies of Town and Country Planning issued by the Association and other institutions

- 1 Town and Country Planning, Housing Etc, compiled by the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association, 1938
- 2 Housing and Town and Country Planning Booklist, compiled by the Town and Country Planning Association, 1942
- 3 Rebuilding Britain. A select list of books on town and country planning. Bristol Public Library, 1943
- 4 Town Planning, John Tiranti Ltd, 1943
- 5 Town Planning, Borough of Tottenham Public Library, 1944
- 6 Post-war Planning. Books on Housing, Town and Country Planning, Building and Architecture, Hackney Public Library, 1945
- 7 Town and Country Planning. A Booklist, Stafford Public Library, nd

8 Other

- 1 Various information leaflets of Garden City and Town Planning Association, and Town and Country Planning Association
- 2 Circulars relating to the TCPA Diamond Jubilee appeal
- 3 Printed statement by Executive of TCPA to Ministry of Health and Local Government, and Secretary of State for Scotland. Dispersal : A call for Action, 1955

4 Diagrammatic plan of a new town (TCPA information chart)

VIII Printed TCPA Teaching Notes (used in conjunction with film strips)

- 1 Max Lock, The Need for Planning, nd
- 2 Desmond Donnelly, How to Look at a Town, nd
- 3 Morton Shand, How to look at a Village, nd

IX Other Publications of the TCPA and GCTPA

- 1 Town Planning and Housing. What can I do? TCPA, 1945
- 2 David B Williamson, New Beginnings and New Towns, (A paper based on an address given in London, Stevenage and Crawley, Nov 1946)
- 3 Planning Britain's Land. A Summary of the Town and Country Planning Act (1947), TCPA, 1947
- 4 The Greater London Plans in Action. Report of Conference of representatives of County Councils and Local Authorities in Greater London Areas, convened by the TCPA and held in April 1947. Edited by Desmond Donnelly with foreword by R L Reiss, 1947
- 5 Movable Dwellings. Report of the Movable Dwelling Conference, 1947-1949, published for the Conference by the TCPA, 1950
- 6 Lord Beveridge, New Towns and the case for them, 1952
Published by the University of London Press Ltd on behalf of the TCPA
- 7 Catherine Bauer, Social Questions in Housing and Town Planning, 1952. Published by the University of London Press Ltd on behalf of the TCPA
- 8 'Crowded Clydeside and Broad Scotland'. Reprinted from Town and Country Planning, Sept 1952 by TCPA Scottish Section
- 9 Peter Self, The Planning of Industrial Location, 1953. Published by the University of London Press Ltd on behalf of the TCPA
- 10 The Paper Metropolis. A Study of London's Office Growth, 1962
- 11 Christopher Cadbury, The West Midland Region. Population Housing and Employment, 1964 (Published for TCPA National Conference on 'Planning Britain's Regions', 1964)
- 12 The Intelligent Voter's Guide to Town and Country Planning. Views of the TCPA and Selections from Conservative, Labour and Liberal speeches and publications, 1964
- 13 The Citizen's Guide to Town and Country Planning, written by D W Riley for the TCPA, 1966
- 14 An Industrialist looks at Planning. An address to the TCPA by H W Healey, Managing Director of Parmall Aircraft, nd
- 15 Town and Country Planning for the Local Community. Study outline for discussion groups, prepared by Gladys Keable for TCPA, nd
- 16 Norman Macfadyen, Health and Garden Cities, nd
- 17 F J Osborn, Planning is Possible. The Missing Link in National Policy, nd
- 18 F J Osborn, The Planning of Greater London, nd
- 19 F J Osborn, Genesis of Welwyn Garden City. Some Jubilee Memories, nd
- 20 Rose Simpson, The Practicability of Garden Cities. A Plea for Planned Industry nd
- 21 1947 Town and Country Planning Act. A synopsis of three lectures given by William Wood, nd

The Association has also retained copies of its more recent publications including The New Citizen's Guide to Town and Country Planning; Street-work: the Exploding School; and New Towns : the British Experience

D SOCIAL AND PERSONAL MATERIAL

I Press cuttings

- 1 Scrapbook of cuttings relating to such general topics as industry, passenger transport, housing and design, planning, the green belt etc, Jan 1943-May 1944
- 2 Scrapbook of cuttings relating to such general topics as industry, passenger transport, housing and design, planning, the green belt etc, Oct 1942-Jun 1944, with some material dating to 1937
- 3 Bound volume containing cuttings relating to such general topics as industry, passenger transport, housing and design, planning, the green belt etc, Jan 1949-May 1952
- 4 Bound volume containing cuttings relating to such general topics as industry, passenger transport, housing and design, planning, the green belt etc, Feb 1953-Dec 1955
- 5 Loose leaf file of cuttings relating to TCPA activities, 1956-1958
It is divided into various sections including planning and its importance; garden cities; Letchworth; Scottish TCPA; green belts and filling stations; land reservation (industry); land preservation (parks); TCPA Annual General Meetings; statement on Town Development Act; future ownership of new towns; future of new towns; general; Franks Committee (Government Committee of Inquiry into the Practice and Procedure of Administrative Tribunals); meetings; Planning Forum; towns; statements; control of caravans; housing; outdoor advertising; relegation
- 6 Loose leaf file of cuttings relating to TCPA Jubilee celebrations, Aug-Dec 1959
- 7 Loose leaf file of cuttings relating to the TCPA Journal, 1956-1959
- 8 Loose leaf file of cuttings relating to TCPA Conferences, 1956-1958
- 9 Bound volume containing cuttings relating to conferences, statements, work etc of TCPA, Sep 1961-Jun 1966
- 10 Bound volume containing cuttings relating to conferences, statements, work etc of TCPA, Jun 1966-Jul 1970
- 11 Loose leaf file of cuttings relating to TCPA publications, 1964-1969
- 12 Loose leaf file of cuttings relating to TCPA publications, 1970-1975
- 13 Loose leaf file of cuttings relating to TCPA evidence submitted to the Royal Commission on Local Government, 1966-1967
- 14 Bound volume containing plans and pictures of towns and building developments from Town and Country Planning; and material relating to the New Towns Exhibition arranged by TCPA and the 15 New Towns Development Corporations, 1949-1961
- 15 File of cuttings relating to the publication Paper Metropolis, 1962
- 16 File of cuttings relating to the death of Sir Patrick Abercrombie, 1957

II Photographs, glass slides etc

- 1 Photograph album containing prints of the TCPA slide collection. This is divided into the following sections: (A) Housing : miscellaneous; primitive; Canada and USA; (B) Bad development and slums; (C) Garden suburbs and garden villages; (D) Government and municipal housing; (E) House plans; (F) Rural plans; (H) Towns, town plans and town planning schemes in various countries; (K) Letchworth; (L) Welwyn Garden City; (M) Garden City Diagrams; (N) Aeroplane views; (O) Spoilation; (P) Parks etc; (R) Roads; (S) London; (T) Diagrams (gen); (V) Foreign housing schemes; (W) Domestic housing schemes

- 2 Photograph album 'Book X' containing prints of the TCPA slide collection. This contains photographs of the following towns: Altenhof, Antwerp, Berlin, Brussels, Cologne, Dinkelsbuhl, Duigsburg, Dusseldorf, Falkenberg, Frankfurt, Ghent, Hamburg, Hellaerau, Leipzig, Linderau, Lubeck, Mannheim, Munich, Nordlingen, Nuremburg, Strassburg and Ulm
- 3 24 racks of glass slides of subjects related to town and country planning dating from 1914
- 4 Photographs and prints of Ebenezer Howard, Raymond Unwin, Patrick Abercrombie and Louis de Soissons
- 5 Photographs of Letchworth

III Collection of printed menus, invitation cards for TCPA functions, 1938-1966 (mainly Annual Conference Dinners) some signed and accompanied by 'thank-you' letters

IV Other

- 1 File containing 75th Anniversary tributes from: Elizabeth Mitchell, Wilfrid Burns, Anthony Crossland MP, Lord Duncan Sandys, Carl Feiss, Sir Robert Grieve, Lewis Mumford, Margaret Thatcher MP, and others, 1974
- 2 Printed lunch menu, speech etc on the occasion of the Award of the Ebenezer Howard Memorial Medal to Carl Stein, 1960
- 3 File of TCPA speaker's notes relating to the work of the Association, nd
- 4 7 original posters advertising Welwyn Garden City and accompanying letter, 1924-1928

E EPHEMERA

- 1 Book of photographs presented by the Polish Town Planning Association to Wyndham Thomas, 1958; entitled 'A Souvenir of the Polish Coast'
- 2 7 posters on planning related matters produced by the Bureau of Current Affairs, nd
- 3 Manuscript of a speech by Lord Beveridge : 'New Towns and the case for them', 1951
- 4 Address by Richard Crossman on World Town Planning Day, 1965
- 5 Answers to questionnaires on Cities and New Towns in Britain, 1958 (received Jun 1958 from the Academy of Construction and Architecture of the USSR by a party of British Planners who visited USSR in Jun 1958 in exchange for a visit of Soviet Planners; sponsored by TCPA and the British Council)
- 6 Papers on the Haslington Planning Scheme (Lancs), 1942
- 7 Caravans and other Movable Dwellings; working party report, nd