

**C DCU Records Relating to the Unitarian Church in Hull 1691-1990
and the Bowlalley Lane Chapel, Hull**

Accession numbers: dcu/99, dcu/212, dcu/198 and 10/71

Historical Background: With its roots in the Presbyterian movement, the earliest date for the community which would later become the Unitarian Church is in 1680, when 2 congregations came together in a house on Bowlalley Lane. After a period of much disruption, the house was reopened for worship again in 1687 until it moved in 1693 to a new chapel, still on Bowlalley Lane. This was rebuilt in 1803, as an octagonal chapel and 1807 the congregation declared itself Unitarian. The move to Park Street came in 1881 and the present building, constructed on the same site dates, from 1977. The Society for the Reformation of Manners was made up of members of the Bowlalley Lane congregation, concerned over of the moral and social welfare of Hull's inhabitants.

Custodial history: These records appear to have been catalogued on an accessional basis, which has been continued to ensure a continuity of approach. All records have been deposited by the Church's historian and archivist.

C DCU/1 deposited on 25 May 1994

C DCU/2 was deposited on 2 Aug 1995

C DCU/3/1-29 were deposited between Nov 1995 and May 1998

C DCU/3/30-33 were deposited in 1999

C DCU/4 was deposited on 22 Sep 2010

Description: Sermon sheets (c.1845) Wills, deeds and agreements from the Hull Unitarian Church deed box (1691-1880), Minutes, accounts, ledgers, pewage lists and other documents (1697-1937), Committee minute books (29 Jun 1932-21 Dec 1941; 4 Jan 1942-4 Dec 1956; 2 Jan 1957-9 Sep 1966; 7 Oct 1966-19 Sep 1975; 18 Nov 1975-16 Oct 1985): Reports presented at the Annual Meeting (1897-1948, with gaps): Women's Friendly Society Minutes (Jan 1966-25 Sep 1978) and attendance register , with addresses of some members (5 Jan 1948-1 Mar 1962): Subscription register (1930-1967): Service figures (1970-1976): File of miscellaneous items (1924-1990): Illustrated volume of The Unitarian Chapels of Yorkshire (c. 1903)

Arrangement:

C DCU/1	Sermon sheets for Bowlalley Lane Chapel, Hull	c.18 th cent. c.1970s
C DCU/2	Wills, deeds and agreements from the deed box for the Hull Unitarian Church and the Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1691-1880
C DCU/3	Minutes, accounts, ledgers, pewage lists and other documents	1697-1937
C DCU/4	Minutes, reports Women's Friendly Society Minutes, attendance register, subscription register, service figures, file of miscellaneous items and an Illustrated volume of The Unitarian Chapels of Yorkshire (c. 1903)	1897-1990

Extent: 8 boxes

Related material: The book, 'The Hull Unitarian Church (a brief history)' has been written by Susan L Raettig and is available to view at the Hull History Centre, along with others on the Unitarian movement at L.288. The Leonard Chamberlain Trust (ref. C DSLC) has close links to Hull's Unitarian Church.

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Finding aids: Transcripts of C DCU/2/1-17 can be found at C SRL T/4/1

Access conditions: Access will be granted to any accredited reader

C DCU/1	Sermon sheets for Bowlalley Lane Chapel, Hull	c.18th cent. c.1970s
C DCU/1/1	Bound volume containing the text of sermons preached by the Reverend Samuel Charles at the Bowlalley Lane Chapel from 1687 to 1695 Copied by Thomas Martin from his own shorthand notes. Presented to the chapel by Samuel Lightfoot on 14 th April, 1845	1845
C DCU/1/2	Single sheet containing the text of a sermon at Bowlalley Lane Chapel Hull	c.18 th cent.
C DCU/1/3	Summary of contents of C DCU/1/1 Gives the page reference, subject and text of each sermon	c.1970s
C DCU/2	Wills, deeds and agreements for Hull Unitarian Church and the Bowlalley Lane Chapel, Hull These are records from the church deed box	1691-1880
C DCU/2/1	An agreement between Anne Tomlin and Leonard Chamberlain relating to the Unitarian Church in Hull	1691
C DCU/2/2	Copy of the will of Anne Tomlin	1691
C DCU/2/3	Original trust deed of Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1696
C DCU/2/4	Appointment of Ralph Peacock and Jeremiah Shaw as Trustees of Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1715
C DCU/2/5	Copy of the will of Leonard Chamberlain	1716
C DCU/2/6	Appointment of Joseph Turner and Thomas Lightfoot as Trustees of the Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1719
C DCU/2/7	Conveyance of ground for the library at Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1720
C DCU/2/8	Conveyance of ground for the library at Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1720
C DCU/2/9	Conveyance of ground for the library at Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1720

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C DCU/2/10	Copy of Ralph Peacock's will	1757
C DCU/2/11	Appointment of Richard Hill, John Newton and John Thompson as Trustees of the Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1782
C DCU/2/12	Copy of bond between J R Pease and Messrs. Beverley and Newton relating to the Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1779
C DCU/2/13	Appointment of Edward Thompson as Trustee of the Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1800
C DCU/2/14	List of subscribers to build new chapel at Bowlalley Lane	1801
C DCU/2/15	Copy of will of William Walker	1820
C DCU/2/16	Copy of will of Joseph Walker	1825
C DCU/2/17	Conveyance of a piece of ground in Park Street to build new Unitarian church	1877
C DCU/2/18	Agreement relating to the boundaries of the Park Street property of the Unitarian Church	1880
C DCU/3	Records relating to the Bowlalley Lane Chapel, Hull and the Hull Unitarian Church	1697-1937
C DCU/3/1	Minutes of the Hull Unitarian Christian Society	1860-1864
C DCU/3/2	Subscribers for a future maintenance during the life of Reverend John Beverley of the Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1799-1803
C DCU/3/3	Printed sermons by Reverend William Severn and Liberty of Conscience	1806-1838
C DCU/3/4	Rules and minutes of meetings of the Bowlalley Lane Chapel Congregational Library	1828-1838
C DCU/3/5	Minutes of extraordinary meetings of the Unitarian Congregation, Bowlalley Lane, Hull Petitions to Parliament	1829-1837
C DCU/3/6	Minutes of the Society for the Reformation of Manners	1697-1705
C DCU/3/7	Bowlalley Lane Unitarian Chapel register of baptisms, marriages and burials	1837-1915
C DCU/3/8	Copy from a book inscribed "John Witter 1706" Includes a list of children baptised from Mar 1705-Dec 1835	1705-1835

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C DCU/3/9	Pewage list Bowlalley Lane Chapel Includes a list of pew holders from 1800-1803 and then another, for the new chapel, up to 1813	1800-1813
C DCU/3/10	Pewage list Bowlalley Lane Unitarian Chapel	1809-1811
C DCU/3/11	Pewage list Bowlalley Lane Unitarian Chapel	1831-1842
C DCU/3/12	Pewage list Bowlalley Lane Unitarian Chapel	1843-1857
C DCU/3/13	Park Street Unitarian Chapel minute book	1915-1925
C DCU/3/14	Bowlalley Lane Unitarian Chapel minute book	1869-1881
C DCU/3/15	Bowlalley Lane Unitarian Sunday School minute book	1851-1865
C DCU/3/16	Bowlalley Lane Unitarian Sunday School minute book	1865-1876
C DCU/3/17	Bowlalley Lane Unitarian Sunday School minute book	1876-1890
C DCU/3/18	Park Street Unitarian Sunday School minute book	1890-1905
C DCU/3/19	Park Street Unitarian Chapel cash book	1921-1948
C DCU/3/20	Treasurer's accounts, Bowlalley Lane Chapel	1844-1870
C DCU/3/21	Treasurer's accounts, Bowlalley Lane Chapel and Park Street church	1870-1891
C DCU/3/22	Treasurer's accounts, Park Street Unitarian Church, Hull	1891-1909
C DCU/3/23	Treasurer's accounts, Park Street Unitarian Church	1909-1921
C DCU/3/24	Treasurer's accounts, Park Street Unitarian Church, Hull	1922-1937
C DCU/3/25	Unidentified book relating to unknown renewals at the Unitarian Church, Hull	1909-1910
C DCU/3/26	Institute Sports Section ledger Park Street Unitarian Church	1914-1921
C DCU/3/27	Institute Worker's League ledger Park Street Unitarian Church	1914-1918
C DCU/3/28	Institute Worker's League ledger Park Street Unitarian Church	1924
C DCU/3/29	Seat rents, Park Street Unitarian Church	1891-1930

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C DCU/3/30	Minute books, Bowlalley Lane Unitarian Chapel With index	1850-1869
C DCU/3/31	Minute books, Park Street Unitarian Chapel, Hull	1881-1897
C DCU/3/32	Minute books, Park Street Unitarian Chapel	1897-1915
C DCU/3/33	Minute books, Park Street Unitarian Chapel	1925-1932
C DCU/4	Records relating to the Unitarian Church in Hull	1897-1990
C DCU/4/1	Hull Unitarian Church Committee minute book	29 Jun 1932- 21 Dec 1941
C DCU/4/2	Hull Unitarian Church Committee minute book	4 Jan 1942- 4 Dec 1956
C DCU/4/3	Hull Unitarian Church Committee minute book	2 Jan 1957- 9 Sep 1966
C DCU/4/4	Hull Unitarian Church Committee minute book	7 Oct 1966- 19 Sep 1975
C DCU/4/5	Hull Unitarian Church Committee minute book	18 Nov 1975- 16 Oct 1985
C DCU/4/6	Hull Unitarian Church Women's Friendly Society Minutes	Jan 1966- 25 Sep 1978
C DCU/4/7	Hull Unitarian Church Women's Friendly Society attendance register With addresses of some members	5 Jan 1948- 1 Mar 1962
C DCU/4/8	Hull Unitarian Church Subscription register	1930-1967
C DCU/4/9	Hull Unitarian Church Service figures Gives date, number attending, theme or focus and the name of any visiting minister	18 Jan 1970- 17 Sep 1972
C DCU/4/10	Hull Unitarian Church Service figures Gives date, number attending, theme or focus and the name of any visiting minister	25 Sep 1972- 23 May 1976

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C DCU/4/11	File of miscellaneous items relating to the Hull Unitarian Church Includes: Rules and membership cards (1924); Memento of the 50th Anniversary of the Church (21 Nov 1931); programme for the induction of Rev. Ernest Penn (15 May 1955); programme for the Annual Service of Recognition and Welcome into the Ministry (26 Oct 1956); Order of service held at the University of Hull Spring term, conducted by Rev. E Penn (11 Jan 1967); Sotheby's Catalogue for the sale of silver originally from the Bowlalley Lane Chapel (10 Feb 1977); Copy of the inscription on the Park St. foundation stone (30 Apr 1977); Building plans of the new church building (1977) Recipes from Hull's sister Unitarian Church in Anchorage Alaska (11 Aug 1980) and a letter of thanks; Items relating to the Centenary celebration Dinner (28 Nov 1981); List of rules (1986); various newsletters and letters (9 Jun 1964-19 Dec 1990); Various calenders; Notes on the subjects of 4 portraits formerly owned by Park Street Unitarian Church Hull, (n.d.)	1924-1990
C DCU/4/12	Reports presented at the Annual Meeting With gaps	1897-1948
C DCU/4/12/1	Annual Meeting reports	28 May 1885- 27 May 1889
C DCU/4/12/2	Annual Meeting reports	28 May 1891- 30 May 1896
C DCU/4/12/3	Annual Meeting reports	25 May 1897- 14 Jun 1901
C DCU/4/12/4	Annual Meeting reports	12 Jun 1903- 11 Jun 1907
C DCU/4/12/5	Annual Meeting reports	15 Jun 1908- 12 Jun 1912
C DCU/4/12/6	Annual Meeting reports	10 Jun 1913- 19 Jun 1917
C DCU/4/12/7	Annual Meeting reports	25 Jun 1919- 27 Jun 1923
C DCU/4/12/8	Annual Meeting reports 2 copies of 1925 report	25 Jun 1924- 22 Jun 1927
C DCU/4/12/9	Annual Meeting reports	29 Jun 1928- 21 Jun 1933

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C DCU/4/12/10	Annual Meeting reports For 1934-1935 and 1948-1949 only	27 Jun 1934- 19 May 1949
C DCU/4/13	Illustrated volume of The Unitarian Chapels of Yorkshire	c. 1903