

**C TAK                      Hull City Council's Architect's Department                      1900-1975**  
**contract certificate registers**

**Accession number:** 21/04 for C TAK/13

**Historical Background:** The Borough of Kingston upon Hull was reformed under the 1835 Municipal Corporations Act. In 1876 the borough merged with the Kingston upon Hull Board of Health, assuming that body's responsibilities for sanitation, street lighting, paving and cleansing, parks and open spaces, and building control. This would lead to the eventual establishment of the City Architect's Department which became responsible for the design and planning for many of the buildings in Hull, along with the selection of building contractors and the administration of the construction process. The first City Architect was Joseph Henry Hirst, A.R.I.B.A.(1863-1945).

Many construction contracts require the issue of certificates by the contract administrator, such as the city council. These certificates are important as they generally result in payments being made to the contractor. Certificates can be issued regularly during the course of the works, such as interim certificates (normally issued monthly), or at particular stages, such as on completion.

**Custodial history:** C TAK/11-12 were transferred by the Quantity Survey Section in 1998 and C TAK/13 was transferred in 2021 by Philip Parker via Sarah French at Hull City Council Building Control

**Description:** Registers of contract certificates

**Extent:** 6 boxes

**Related material:** There are many other records relating to the City Architect's Department. These can be searched either in the online catalogue or with the paper catalogues in the searchroom, in conjunction with the searchroom street index. These include architectural drawings (C TAA), building control records (C TAB), administrative papers (C TAE), the housing section (C TAH) and records relating to the repair of war damaged property and other wartime functions (C TAY).

**Access conditions:** Access will be granted to any accredited reader

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| C TAK/1 | Register of contract certificates<br>1 volume | 1900-1926 |
| C TAK/2 | Register of contract certificates<br>1 volume | 1926-1933 |
| C TAK/3 | Register of contract certificates<br>1 volume | 1933-1938 |
| C TAK/4 | Register of contract certificates<br>1 volume | 1939-1941 |
| C TAK/5 | Register of contract certificates<br>1 volume | 1941-1944 |

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| C TAK/6  | Register of contract certificates<br>1 volume   | 1944-1945 |
| C TAK/7  | Register of contract certificates<br>1 volume   | 1945-1947 |
| C TAK/8  | Register of contract certificates<br>1 volume   | 1947-1949 |
| C TAK/9  | Register of contract certificates<br>1 volume   | 1949-1952 |
| C TAK/10 | Register of contract certificates<br>1 volume   | 1952-1954 |
| C TAK/11 | Register of contract certificates<br>Register of contracts, number 1-1593 and 1-54. Index at<br>C TAK/12.<br>1 volume | 1948-1975 |
| C TAK/12 | Register of contract certificates, alphabetical index<br>Related to C TAK/12<br>1 volume                              | 1948-1975 |
| C TAK/13 | Register of contract certificates<br>1 volume   | 1966-1970 |