C TCAM Amalgamation of the Hull Municipal Authority 1861-1881 and the Hull Sanitary Authority Committee

Historical Background: The Amalgamation of the Hull Municipal Authority and the Hull Sanitary Authority Committee was established in February 1875. It was set up to see the merger of the Hull Local Board of Health and the Hull Corporation, as the latter having been designated as the sanitary authority as a result of the 1875 Public Health Act.

The Borough Treasurer, William Bolton was unable to continue in the post due to ill-health and retired on 1 August 1876, and was replaced by Edward Witty. The Committee then found some major financial irregularities and in September set-up a sub-committee to investigate the issue. As a consequence, Bolton admitted to the fraudulent removal of almost £10,000 of the Borough's funds over a number of years. In addition, his clerk in the department, John Brooke was also found to have taken money as well. Bolton indicated he did not have enough cash to pay back what he owed, but said he would give up everything he possessed in order toreduce the corporations losses. On 26 September Brooke committed suicide by shooting himself. An arrest warrant was issued for Bolton, who was seriously ill and had been so since 1867. He was not removed from his home in North Ferriby and died in December of cancer. The corporation had already decided to try and reclaim their money back and so with both individuals dead, they pursued their claim in the courts, attempting to claim back the money from the estates of both Bolton and Brooke. The matter was complicated by the death of Margaret Bolton the daughter of William, who pre-deceased her father and left her estate to him. Her executors contested the corporation's attempt to take back money owed by William Bolton from the estate of his daughter.

Custodial history: Records created as part of the work of the committee

Description: Reports, memorials, letters, returns, applications and other papers

Arrangement:

C TCAM/1	Committee papers relating to the amalgamation of the	1867-1877
	Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities	
C TCAM/2	Records relating to staffing matters and the Amalgamation	1867-1878
	of the Hull Municpial Authority and the Hull Sanitary	
	Authority Committee	
C TCAM/3	Amalgamation of the Hull Municpial Authority and the	1861-1879
	Hull Sanitary Authority Sub-Committee	

Extent: 5 boxes

Related material: See council minutes in the searchroom. Records from the Hull Board of Health, including minute books, may be located at reference C BHH

Access conditions: Access will be granted to any accredited reader

C TCAM/1 Committee papers relating to the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and

Sanitary Authorities

5 items 2 bundles

Hull History Centre:	: Amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Autho	orities Committee
C TCAM/1/1	Draft memorials relating to the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities Relating to existing powers granted by local acts to the municipal and sanitary authorities 2 items	1876
C TCAM/1/1/1	Draft memorial relating to the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 1 item	May 1876
C TCAM/1/1/2	Draft memorial relating to the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 1 item	Jun 1876
C TCAM/1/2	Case of opinion regarding the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities Annotated 1 item	c.1876
C TCAM/1/3	Draft reports on the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 2 items	c.1876
C TCAM/1/3/1	Draft reports on the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 2 items	c.1876
C TCAM/1/3/2	Draft report on the legislation concerning the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 1 item	c.1876
C TCAM/1/4	Letters relating to the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 2 bundles	1872-1877
C TCAM/1/4/1	Letters from the Local Government Board relating to the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 1 bundle	14 Dec 1872- 11 May 1877
C TCAM/1/4/2	General letters to the committee relating to the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities Includes letters regarding the legal fees of Mr Hugill, Mr Johnson and Mr Fitzgerald; the school board and the amalgamation of officers; the merging of various rates and the need for more space by the Hull Law Society 1 bundle	8 Feb 1875- 3 Nov 1877

C TCAM/2	Records relating to staffing matters and the Amalgamation of the Hull Municpial Authority and the Hull Sanitory Authority Committee 2 items 7 bundles	1867-1878
C TCAM/2/1	Returns to the Amalgamation Committee of the duties and salaries of the officers of the Hull Municipal Authority 1 bundle	31 Aug 1867- 23 Aug 1875
C TCAM/2/2	Returns to the Amalgamation Committee of the duties and salaries of the officers Hull Sanitary Authority 1 bundle	24 Aug 1875- 3 May 1876
C TCAM/2/3	List of posts required after the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 1 bundle	2 Feb 1876- 16 Mar 1876
C TCAM/2/4	Committee papers relating to the appointment of a new Town Clerk and a Borough Surveyor after the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 1 bundle	5 Jul 1875- 10 Mar 1876
C TCAM/2/5	List of applicants for posts under the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 1 bundle	c.1875
C TCAM/2/6	Return of all the officers and clerks after the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 1 bundle	20 Aug 1875
C TCAM/2/7	Applications for posts under the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities Includes: a written testimonial for George Castle and applications from William Hewetson and James Wilkins 1 item	Apr 1876- Oct 1878
C TCAM/2/8	Committee papers regarding the claim for compensation by Messrs R.G. Smith, William Kirk Brown and George Castle under the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 1 bundle	1-9 Jul 1878
C TCAM/2/9	Departmental salary costs under the amalgamation of the Hull Municipal and Sanitary Authorities 1 item	Apr 1876- Oct 1878

C TCAM/3	Amalgamation of the Hull Municipal Authority and the Hull Sanitary Authority Sub-Committee Established to investigate the financial irregularities discovered through the amalgamation of the two authorities 2 items 3 volumes 31 bundles	1861-1881
C TCAM/3/1	Records relating to the investigation into the financial irregularities by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee 16 bundles	1861-1876
C TCAM/3/1/1	Records relating to the investigation into the financial irregularities by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee Includes; receipts from Arthur Pease and the Waterworks Committee, list of dates Bolton was absent from work, letter from the Hull Artillery Volunteers regarding a financial transfer by Brooke and an extract of Boltons bank account 1 bundle	26 Oct 1870- 25 Aug 1876
C TCAM/3/1/2	Records relating to the investigation into the financial irregularities by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee Includes a copy of a letter written by Brooke just before his death and extracts from Bolton's diary 1 bundle	18-29 Sep 1876
C TCAM/3/1/3	Records relating to the investigation into the financial irregularities by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee Includes a search for shares request in the name of John Brooke, memos from the Pease Bank and a copy of Bolton's arrest warrant 1 bundle	4-26 Oct 1876
C TCAM/3/1/4	Records relating to the investigation into the financial irregularities by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee Includes a copy of the search in the name of Brookes by the East Riding Registry of Deeds 1 bundle	9 Nov 1876- 9 Nov 1877
C TCAM/3/1/5	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease Bank relating to the investigation into the financial irregularities by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee Gives the date, account to be credited and amount With gaps 12 bundles	1861-1876
C TCAM/3/1/5/1	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1861

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C TCAM/3/1/5/2	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1862	
C TCAM/3/1/5/3	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1863	
C TCAM/3/1/5/4	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1864	
C TCAM/3/1/5/5	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1869	
C TCAM/3/1/5/6	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1870	
C TCAM/3/1/5/7	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1871	
C TCAM/3/1/5/8	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1872	
C TCAM/3/1/5/9	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1873	
C TCAM/3/1/5/10	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1874	
C TCAM/3/1/5/11	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1872	
C TCAM/3/1/5/12	Bank slips issued by Messers Pease, Hoare and Pease for Hull Corporation deposits 1 bundle	1876	
C TCAM/3/2	Records relating to the case of the Corporation of Hull vs. Bolton brought after the investigation by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee 8 bundles	1874-1881	

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C TCAM/3/2/1	Legal records relating to the case of the Corporation of Hull vs. Bolton brought after the investigation by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee 2 bundles	1876-1881	
C TCAM/3/2/1/1	Records relating to the estate of William Bolton Includes extracts from his will, list of debts receipts from creditors and balance sheets 1 bundle	6 Apr 1877- 23 Mar 1881	
C TCAM/3/2/1/2	Records relating to the case of the Corporation of Hull vs. Bolton Includes: draft notice to Bolton to give up his possessions to the Borough Treasurer; the release making Borough Treasurer Witty and the Corporation the administrators of his will; a copy of Margaret Bolton's will and the opinions of counsel 1 bundle	13 Dec 1876- 20 Mar 1880	
C TCAM/3/2/2	Administrative papers relating to the case Includes letter, memos and draft reports, receipts and bills 6 bundles	1874-1880	
C TCAM/3/2/2/1	Administrative papers relating to the case Includes letters, memos, receipts and bills including one from the Kirkstall Forge Co. of Leeds 1 bundle	1874-1875	
C TCAM/3/2/2/2	Administrative papers relating to the case Includes letters, memos, draft reports, receipts and bills 1 bundle	1876	
C TCAM/3/2/2/3	Administrative papers relating to the case of the Corporation of Hull vs. Bolton brought after the investigation by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee Includes letters, memos, receipts and bills 1 bundle	1877	
C TCAM/3/2/2/4	Administrative papers relating to the case Includes letters, memos, receipts and bills 1 bundle	1878	
C TCAM/3/2/2/5	Administrative papers relating to the case Includes letters, memos, receipts and bills 1 bundle	1879	
C TCAM/3/2/2/6	Administrative papers relating to the case Includes letters, memos, receipts and bills 1 bundle	1880	

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C TCAM/3/3	Records relating to the case of the Corporation of Hull vs. Brooke brought after the investigation by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee 2 volumes 5 bundles	1875-1879	
C TCAM/3/3/1	Legal records relating to the case of the Corporation of Hull vs. Brooke brought by the Sub-Committee 2 bundles	1875-1877	
C TCAM/3/3/1/1	Legal records relating to the case Includes: affidavits relating to the goods of John Brooke; a list of the assets of Brooke; a break down of costa and expenses in the case and opinions of counsel 1 bundle	1 Jul 1875- 14 Mar 1879	
C TCAM/3/3/1/2	Legal records relating to the case Includes copies of the affidavits submitted as part of the case 1 bundle	19 Jan 1876- 12 Mar 1877	
C TCAM/3/3/2	Administrative records relating to the case of the Corporation of Hull vs. Brooke brought by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee 3 bundles	1876-1880	
C TCAM/3/3/2/1	Administrative records relating to the case Includes letters, memos, receipts and bills 1 bundle	1876	
C TCAM/3/3/2/2	Administrative records relating to the case Includes letters, memos, receipts and bills 1 bundle	1877	
C TCAM/3/3/2/3	Administrative records relating to the case Includes letters, memos, receipts and bills 1 bundle	1878-1880	
C TCAM/3/3/3	Diaries of John Brooke used in the investigation by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee 2 volumes	1872-1875	
C TCAM/3/3/3/1	Diary of John Brooke Contains entries for early January and occasional weeks in May, October and November. A mix of official and personal notes 1 volume	1872	
C TCAM/3/3/3/2	Diary of John Brooke Contains entries for early January. A mix of official and personal notes 1 volume	1875	

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C TCAM/3/4	Records relating to the case of Thomas Cook of Hull merchant vs. Brooke related to case brought by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee 1 bundle	19 Jan 1876- 3 Jun 1879	
C TCAM/3/5	Statement of Claim relating to the case of the Corporation of Hull vs. Carrick brought after the investigation by the Amalgamation Sub-Committee Theophilius Carrick was a surety for William Bolton 1 item	2 Jun 1877	
C TCAM/3/6	Pamphlet entitled 'The Ex-Town Treasurer' by William Bolton, Junior By William Bolton Junior of North Ferriby in defence of his father, William Bolton, senior 1 item	24 Nov 1876	
C TCAM/3/7	Printed and signed minutes of the Amalgamation Committee investigation into the fraudulent behaviour of Bolton and Brooke 1 volume	20 Sep 1876- 17 Jan 1877	
C TCAM/3/8	Mounted press cuttings relating to the investigation into the fraudulent behaviour of Bolton and Brooke From the Eastern Morning News and the Eastern Counties Herald 1 bundle	21 Sep 1876- 19 Oct 1876	