C TCEE Hull Town Council Elementary Education Committee 1870

Historical Background: This committee was appointed in October 1870 to consider the implications of the recently passed Elementary Education Act. As part of this act, councils or poor law unions were required to collect information on the number of children between the ages of 5-12 years of age and any existing elementary schools in their areas. Hull appointed an individual to undertake this task. As a consequence of this, the committee urged the council to petition for the establishment of a school board for the area to fill the gap between need and requirement. This the council did, and as a result the Hull School Board was later established along with boards for the Newington and Stoneferry and Sutton areas of Hull as well. Having reported back, the committee was dissolved in December 1870, although it would return in 1902 as a sub-committee of the Education Committee when the school boards were abolished and their functions were taken over by the city council.

Custodial history: Records created as part of the work of the Elementary Education Committee and routinely transferred from the Town Clerks Department

Description: Committee records; reports, correspondence and applications for a post

Extent: 1 bundle

Related Materials: See council minutes in the searchroom and any associated reports. For more records on education at this period please see those of the various school boards, Hull School Board (C SBH), Newington School Board (C SBN) and the parts of Cottingham later acquired by the city (SBC). The records of the council's own Technical Instruction, Technical (Art) and Education Committees from 1890 can be located at C TCE with the records of the Education Department at C TED. Records of individual schools and other educational organisations can be found with the reference DE. Please see the online catalogue for more details.

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