

**L DIPE Publication material relating to Life in Old Hull 19th cent.-c.1979
by Kay Pearson**

Biographical Background: Kathleen or 'Kay' Pearson as she was better known was born in Hull on 20th August 1896. Born at No.6 Prince Street, Kay Pearson was a keen singer and dancer. Her elder brother paid for her to have piano lessons. This led to lifetime of Kay playing piano in clubs and societies, and various events. Married during the First World War, Kay had her first child, a son, born down Selby Street on the day a Zeppelin raid affected Selby Street and the surrounding area. She later went on to have three daughters, though at the time of her book publication in 1979 her daughter, Muriel had died. At the age of 54 Kay was widowed. Kay worked for Thorton Varley but also at a number of other shops in Hull. In the 1930s she ran a dance school of her own, sometimes putting on shows and raising funds for the Lady Mayoress's Clothing Fund. Her book 'Life in Old Hull' was eventually published in 1979 by Bradley Publications of Hull.

Custodial history: Deposited with Hull Local Studies Library prior to its relocation to the Hull History Centre in 2010.

Description: Draft proof copy, second edition (1980) of 'Life in Old Hull' by Kay Pearson together with images, illustrations and photographs compiled or collected by Kay Pearson for publication, though some of these were never used in the final publication.

Extent: 1 file, 1 item

Related material: The published book can be found at L.920 PEA and can be borrowed using a Hull Libraries card.

Access conditions: Access will be granted to any accredited reader

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| L DIPE/1 | Draft copy of 'Life in Old Hull' by Kathleen Pearson. Unbound draft proof copy of publication, second edition (1980). Please note some images and their captions are loose within this draft copy. 1 item | c.1979 |
| L DIPE/2 | Images, illustrations and photographs compiled or collected by Kay Pearson. Contains the following, which in most cases includes a caption or description, though some were never used in the publication of 'Life in Old Hull'. Images may have come from Stephen Bryant, Harry Cartledge, Wendy Chapman, John Meadley, Jim Sellers and Mike Ulyatt as these individuals are credited in the Kay Pearson's 'Life in Old Hull' for photographs and drawings. a) Fishermen's Bethel on Hessle Road, c.1970s - Hull Daily Mail b) View of Prince Street. 1970 - Hull Daily Mail | 19 th cent.- c.1979 |

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- c) View of No.2 Land of Green Ginger, premises of W. Tesseyman & Sons Ltd., n.d. - photocopy
 - d) View of Market Place, 1904 - photocopy
 - e) View of Market Place, 1900 - photocopy
 - f) 16th century House on Dagger Lane, formerly Champaign Street - photocopy
 - g) Courtyard and front view of Varley's Cross Keys Hotel, Market Place, 1904 - photocopy
 - h) View of Wilberforce House, n.d. - photocopy
 - i) Nos.139-140 Formerly the Kings Head Inn, High Street - 19th century illustration taken from unknown publication
 - j) The Grammar School Hull, taken from unknown publication - 19th century illustration
 - k) 7 photographs of Kay Pearson, including as a child and in later life as published in 'Life in Old Hull'.
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