

Records accessioned and catalogued at HARC: 1 January to 31 March 2021

No new collections have been catalogued this quarter, although plenty of existing collections continue to be added to the online catalogue, and work continues to make a few larger collections available in due course.

We have still been receiving deposits however, and still been catching up on deposits made in previous years. Nine new collections have been accessioned into the archive this quarter. These were quite varied, including three items had been sitting on the accessioning room shelves for several years having been rescued from Harold Street when we left. These were the plaque celebrating the opening of Redhill County Secondary School, an Education Authority Shield marking schools that had achieved the best attendance records, and the Hereford Property Study.

There were also three transfers from County Hall in Worcester: the accident studies photographs for Herefordshire, records of the Herefordshire County Council Superannuation Fund and Mortgage Pool and records of Herefordshire County Council investments. They all dated from the days of the former Hereford and Worcester County Council or before, and either related to the Herefordshire side of that county or had clearly been transferred to Worcester when the counties merged, and not been returned until now.

The remaining accessions were from Ross-on-Wye Baptist Church: mainly church magazines and paperwork generated from a project to create a church youth centre; the records of Charles Donovan, who was a former buildings conservation officer for Leominster District Council; and a collection of records compiled by Cathy Knott relating to her family history and left to us in her Will. The Charles Donovan records are plans and elevations of buildings and reports on monuments. Cathy Knott was related to the Brydges Family of Tyberton. The collection included two portraits of William and John Brydges as well as the research papers and pedigrees Cathy created.