

RICHMOND LONDON BOROUGH

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The Municipal Borough of Richmond was incorporated by Royal Charter in 1890. In 1892 its boundaries were enlarged to include the parishes of Kew, Petersham, and a portion of Mortlake, and again in 1933 by addition of Ham Common and the village.

In 1965 the borough of Richmond was merged with the Municipal Borough of Twickenham, on the other side of the Thames and previously in Middlesex, to form the new London Borough of Richmond.

The London Borough's collections continue to reflect this basic division, being divided between the collections in Richmond Old Town Hall covering the Surrey side of the Thames (Barnes, East Sheen, Ham, Kew, Mortlake, Petersham and Richmond, uniting collections previously held by former Boroughs of Barnes and Richmond) and in Twickenham Library comprising the collection held by the former Borough of Twickenham and covering the Middlesex side of the river Thames (the Hamptons, Teddington, Twickenham and Whitton).

Workhouse records held at Richmond are closed for 100 years.

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Central Reference Library Old Town Hall Whittaker Avenue RICHMOND TW9 1TP

PARISH AND LOCAL AUTHORITY RECORDS

Barnes

Poor rates 1802-60, 1862-72, 1881, 1891, 1901, 1911 Highways 1837-63 [incomplete], Church 1848-65 [incomplete], 1881; Lighting 1859-73; General, 1901, 1911, 1914-21, 1928, 1937-38, 1939/40-46 Minutes of UDC 1893-1932, Borough 1933-65

Ham

Poor rates, 1910, 1914-28; General District 1929-32
Minutes as part of Borough of Richmond, 1933-65

Kew

Parish registers transcripts: Baptisms 1714-91; Marriages 1714-83; Burials 1714-85 Poor rates, 1900-23; General District 1920/21-1925/26 Richmond Borough minutes (85 vols.), 1892-1965

Richmond

Parish registers, St Mary Magdalene: microfiche and printed transcripts covering baptisms 1584-1885, marriages 1584-1898 and burials 1584-1896 (originals with incumbent). Parish registers, St John's: microfiche of baptisms, 1839-1901 and marriages 1839-1900. Registers of other parish churches are with Surrey Record Office. Parish meeting book 1596-1735; Acts and proceedings, 1614-1749; Vestry meeting books 1736-1928; Trustees General meeting books 1766-85; Richmond Vestry Committee books, 1855-1928; Attendance book 1901-28; General Committees Minutes 1883-90; Highway and Sanitary Committee Minutes 1883-90; Richmond School Attendance Committee Minutes 1877-82; Public Baths Committee book 1883-90 Richmond Borough Council Minute books (85 vols.) 1890-1965 Poor rates 1726-1921 [incomplete]; General District rates 1921-1945/6 [incomplete] Richmond Union Workhouse: various records including Admission and Discharge books, 1843-1974; Casual Papers Admission and Discharge books 1913-15; Masters and Matrons report books 1934/35-1943/46; Register of Births 1866-1881; Register of Deaths 1914-74; Register of Inmates 1939-65; Register of Lunatics/Mental Patients 1914-49.

North Sheen

[Parish registers: Baptisms 1926-73, Marriages 1930-1969 at Surrey Record Office] Poor rates 1901,1910-11,1913/14-1925/26; General, District and Water 1920/21-1924/25

Petersham

Parish registers at Surrey Record Office Poor rates 1914-27; General District, Lock and Water rate 1920/21-1924/25 Borough of Richmond minutes (85 vols.),1892-1965

Mortlake

Parish records at Surrey Record Office Poor rates 1754-1911 [incomplete]; General District 1901-46 [incomplete] Barnes UDC minutes 1893-1932; Borough of Barnes Council minutes 1933-65

RECORDS OF INSTITUTIONS

Countess of Derby's Charity minutes 1801-1972

MISCELLANEOUS

There are a large number of leaflets, pamphlets, press cuttings, reports and additional material, noted in a Dewey card index held at the Library. The following are of potential interest:

360 'Social Welfare': Richmond Central Aid Society annual reports 1906/7-29; Richmond Council of Social Services: annual reports, 1933-64 [incomplete] and scrapbook of social

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services, 1931-43

Barnes Council of Social Services annual reports 1951/2-1953/4

361.6/7 'Welfare work':

Scrapbook of news-cuttings on the various charities of Richmond and district, 1892-1898;

362.1 'Hospitals': Notes on the Hospital on Hounslow Heath during the reign of James II taken from the Treasury papers and the State Papers Domestic, 1685-1695; Transcript by V A Roseweare on Hounslow Hospital, 1991; brochures, programmes and leaflets and various annual reports of Richmond Royal Hospital; St John's Hospital Twickenham; Treasurer's report for Richmond Dispensary, 1864,1866; Star and Garter Home for Disabled Sailors and Soldiers, cuttings, 1915-17 and scrapbook 1924.

614 'Public Health': Mss by Dorothy Wallis 'Drains and pains', on Twickenham Isolation Hospital, on Infectious diseases and the MOH, on St John's Hospital n.d.; Letter to the Burgesses from John Cockram on the public health of Richmond and cuttings answering allegations, 1896; J H James 'An enquiry into the duration of life in rural districts including the parishes of Barnes.. Kew and Mortlake', 1858. Richmond Urban Sanitary Authority- the case laid before Mr W Cunningham Glen and his opinion thereon, 1873; Richmond BC regulations as to dairies, cow sheds and milk shops, 1885,1903; Richmond cemetery rules and regulations, 1902,1910, 1931; BC bylaws with respect to nuisances, 1908; Richmond public baths, duties of superintendent 1882

Richmond and District Nursing Association annual report 1935 Richmond and Petersham Sanitary Aid Association first, third and fourth annual reports with list of subscribers and balance sheet, 1887-91 Richmond Sanitary Committee report 1849; Richmond Health Committee report of Inspector of Nuisances, 1891; annual reports of MOH, Richmond, 1874-1963; Richmond Urban Sanitary Authority report on the sanitary condition of the town, 1874-1900;

Barnes annual report of MOH 1901-07,1919,1921-31;1932-37,1939-45, 1949-62; BC bylaws for removal of noxious matters/regulation of offensive trades, 1937/9

Teddington UDC annual reports of MOH 1897-1906 [incomplete]; rules, regulations etc. re Teddington Cemetery, 1929;

Hampton Wick UDC annual reports of MOH 1897 ?or 99-1907 [incomplete]

Twickenham Parish Burial Board table of fees etc., 1890; UDC fees, payments etc., 1900, 1921; BC bylaws with respect to removal of offensive or noxious matter or liquid/smoke nuisance, 1938/39; bylaws for regulation of trade or business of fish frying, 1938

940 'World Wars':

2/ TWICKENHAM LOCAL COLLECTION

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TWICKENHAM TW9
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PARISH AND LOCAL AUTHORITY RECORDS

Hampton, Hampton Hill, Hampton Court and Hampton Wick

Transcriptions of St Mary's Church parish registers: Baptisms and Burials 1554-1812
Vestry minutes 1820-1910; Hampton Local Board minutes 1890-94; UDC minutes 1895
1937; Burial Board 1881-1903; Hampton Wick Local Board 1863-99; Hampton Wick Local
Board Drainage, Sanitary & Building Committee 1893-1932 Hampton Wick UDC 1900-37;
Poor and General District rates (excluding Hampton Wick)1826-1955 [incomplete]
Poor and General and District rates Hampton Wick 1866-1955 [incomplete]

Twickenham including Whitton

Parish registers (microfiche) Baptisms 1538-1853; Marriages 1538-1837; Burials 1538-1838;
Vestry minutes 1618-1882 [incomplete]
Poor rates 1748-1926; General District rates 1921-56 [incomplete]
Burial Board minutes 1866-1904; Local Board minutes 1868-95, UDC 1895-1926, Borough
minutes 1926-1965 Joint Committee Water Board 1903-16

Teddington

Vestry minutes extracts 1558-; Vestry minutes 1739-1875 [incomplete], 1873-1923; Burial
Board 1874-1907; Local Board ,minutes 1863-86; UDC minutes 1894-1937 Poor rates 1922-
45/6[incomplete]

MISCELLANEOUS

A collection of maps, plans, newspapers cuttings, ephemera and prints. The following one of
potential interest.

361.6/7 'Welfare work': Twickenham Philanthropic Society minutes, 1864-1953 and annual
reports 1889-1952 (incomplete),rules, 1864; Christ's Hospital Charity schemes and other

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pamphlets, 1880s-; Teddington Philanthropic Society minutes 1882-1985 and rules, 1878 and attendance book 1925-77

362.1 'Hospitals'

614 'Public Health'

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940 'World Wars'

WWII medical services cuttings; Twickenham civilian war dead and air raid casualties admitted to hospital.