

Reference code(s): GB 0214 DCAC

Title: Cardiff High Street Arcade Co. Ltd records

Creation date(s): 1882-1981

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 0.9 cubic metres

Name of creator(s): Cardiff High Street Arcade Company Ltd

CONTEXT

Administrative/Biographical history: This collection represents the business records of several property companies set up in Cardiff and the surrounding area towards the end of the nineteenth century. A prominent figure in the activities of each of these companies was Frederick de Courcy Hamilton (1856-1940), a solicitor who had opened a practice in Cardiff in the 1870s. By the 1880s, he had founded, and frequently acted as Secretary and Director of, Cardiff Exchange and Office Co. Ltd and Glamorganshire Workmen's Cottage Co. Ltd, whilst holding substantial interests in Cardiff High Street Arcade Co. Ltd, Whitefield Estate Co. Ltd, and Weston Hill Estate Co. Ltd. He continued to play an active part in these and other companies until his death on 27 March 1940. Cardiff High Street Arcade Co. Ltd remained active into the 1970s, and accumulated many records of the other companies.

CONTENT

Scope and content/abstract: Records of Cardiff High St Arcade Company, 1882-1981, including administrative records of the directors, covering property owned by several companies, 1881-1976; property, finance and administrative records pertaining to Avoca Estate Co. Ltd, 1896-1981; property, finance and administrative records pertaining to Barry Island Cottage Co. Ltd, 1896-1977; administrative and financial records pertaining to Barry Island Land Co. Ltd, 1897-1946; correspondence, administrative and financial records pertaining to Cardiff Exchange and Office Co. Ltd, 1882-1970; administrative, property and financial records pertaining to Cardiff High Street Arcade Co. Ltd, 1884-1977; administrative records pertaining to Glamorganshire Investments Ltd, 1880-1970; administrative and financial records pertaining to Weston Hill Estate Co. Ltd, 1897-1934; administrative, property and financial records pertaining to Whitefield Building Estate Co. Ltd, 1897-1934; and photographs, 1896-1928.

ACCESS AND USE

Language/scripts of material: English

System of arrangement: Arranged into the following: Directors records; Avoca Estate; Barry Island Cottage; Barry Island Land; Cardiff Exchange and Office; Cardiff High Street Arcade; Glamorganshire Investments; Weston Hill Estate; Whitefield Building Estate.

Conditions governing access: No restrictions

Conditions governing reproduction: Normal Glamorgan Record Office conditions apply

Finding aids: A hard copy of the catalogue is available at the Glamorgan Records Office.

ARCHIVAL INFORMATION

Appraisal, destruction and scheduling information: All records which meet the collection policy of the Glamorgan Record Office have been retained.

Accruals: Accruals are not expected.

Archival history:

Immediate source of acquisition: Deposited by Cardiff High Street Arcade Co. Ltd, 1986.

ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: Related units of description held at the Glamorgan Record Office: DDM, David Morgan Ltd, Cardiff, including records of The Cardiff Arcade Co.

DESCRIPTION NOTES

Note: Title supplied from contents of fonds.

Archivist's note: Compiled by Hayden Burns for the ANW project. The following sources were used in the compilation of this description: Glamorgan Record Office, Catalogue of records for the Cardiff Arcade Company.

Rules or conventions: This description follows ANW guidelines based on ISAD(G) second edition, AACR2, and LCSH

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