

Reference code(s): GB 0214 DCC

Title: Cardiff Collieries Ltd, Llanbradach records

Creation date(s): 1860-1955

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 1 cubic metres (38 volumes, 65 plans, 69 files, 3 bundles, 23 papers, 4 microfilms, 20 photographic negatives)

Name of creator(s): Cardiff Collieries Ltd

CONTEXT

Administrative/Biographical history: The sinking of the first pit (No. 1 pit) at Llanbradach Colliery, Glamorgan, was begun in 1893, by the Cardiff Collieries Ltd; a second pit (No. 2 pit) was added the following year. During the early 1920s, a third pit (No. 3 pit) was sunk to mine the Nos. 2 & 3 seams. In 1914, 2,330 men were employed at this colliery, and total output reached its peak in 1935, when 700,000 tons was produced; by 1945, manpower had fallen to 1,506. The company retained ownership of the mine until nationalisation in 1947. It was earmarked for closure in 1959. Llanbradach closed in December 1961. The company accumulated some papers relating to other peroprties in South Wales.

CONTENT

Scope and content/abstract: Records of the Cardiff Collieries Ltd, 1860-1955: wage journals, 1915-1946; output books, 1893-1946; sales journals, 1895-1920; book of plans of properties owned by the Cardiff Collieries Ltd, 1887-1913; coke oven valuation papers, 1942-1955; plans, [c. 1920]; microfilms, 1900-1945; annual reports, 1887-1954; articles of association, 1885-1928; schemes of classification and prices, 1890-1955; and copy leases, underleases, agreements, plans, notes and correspondence relating to properties in Llanfabon (Glamorgan), Bedwas (Monmouthshire), and other parts of Monmouthshire, and allied matters, 1860-1946.

ACCESS AND USE

Language/scripts of material: English

System of arrangement: Information to be supplied.

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 Record 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 a private individual at various dates.

ALLIED MATERIALS

DESCRIPTION NOTES

Note: Title supplied from contents of fonds.

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

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