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CONFEDERATION

Records of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association for the
Advancement of State Education, 1963-73, n.d., and of the Salford
District Association for the Advancement of State Education, 1972-76, n.d.

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Both the Associations named above were branches of the Confederation for the Advancement of State Education and were often referred to as such; in this catalogue the terms "Association" and "Branch" are therefore used interchangeably in the case of both the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association (or Branch) and the Salford District Association (or Branch). The Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association was founded in 1963. Its aims were stated in its constitution to relate to information about educational policy, the improvement of educational facilities provided by the state and communication between the local education authority, parents and others interested in education. Under the Local Government Act of 1972 the areas of the two Boroughs of Eccles and of Swinton and Pendlebury were merged in 1974 with the areas of the City of Salford and of other local authorities to become Salford Metropolitan District (which received the title of City of Salford). In 1973 the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association merged with the Salford Branch of C.A.S.E. to form the Salford District Association (or Branch).

The following information on C.A.S.E. has been supplied by Mrs. H. Wickham. The Confederation for the Advancement of State Education grew out of a pressure group formed by parents in Cambridge in 1961 to save their primary school from closure. Having achieved their objective, they turned their attention to primary education in general in the City. The idea that parents should have a say in their children's education was a new one but it soon caught on. Other groups of parents found that, if they banded together, they could get things done to improve both primary and secondary state education. Thus C.A.S.E. branches began to form around the country and a national committee was formed with the usual officers. Pamphlets and a paper called "Parents and Schools" were produced and regional and national conferences were held, all of which helped greatly in spreading ideas and letting parents in one area know what had been achieved by those in another.

At the height of its activities there must have been at least 100 branches of C.A.S.E. up and down the country. The Penguin Special, "The Politics of Education" by Edward Boyle and Anthony Crosland (1971),

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has a number of references to C.A.S.E. in its pages. Ministers of Education were pleased to receive deputations from C.A.S.E. and came to realise that these were groups of intelligent and informed parents who only wanted to improve the state education system. Through the work of C.A.S.E., what went on behind the closed school doors was gradually opened up to parents and to the public and education became "news" in the 1960s, which it has remained ever since.

The activities of C.A.S.E. only started to decline after 1975 when the objectives of comprehensive education and parent representatives on the governing and managing bodies of schools had largely been achieved. Many C.A.S.E. members were also active in the formation of the National Association of Governors and Managers which is still active in 1980.

ADMINISTRATION

Minute book of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association containing:

1963-71,
n.d.

Signed report on the inaugural meeting, 1963;
Signed minutes of meetings of the Committee and of meetings (incl. Annual General Meetings) held by the Association, 1963-70;
Loose typed copy of report by the Committee for the year 1966-67, 1967;
Lists at end of members of the Committee for the years 1963-69, 1963-69;
Loose lists of members and of payments of subscriptions, 1970-71, n.d.;
Loose or attached newspaper cuttings relating to education, 1963-64, 1968-70, n.d.

(1 vol. enclosing loose papers)

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Minute book containing:

1970-76,
n.d.

Signed minutes of meetings of the Committee, 1970-72, and of meetings (incl. Annual General Meetings) held by the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association, 1971-73;
Minutes of meetings on formation of a branch of C.A.S.E. for Salford Metropolitan District, 1972-74;
Signed minutes of meetings of the Committee, 1973-76, of Annual General Meetings, 1974-75, and of other meetings, 1975-76, held by the Salford District Branch of C.A.S.E.;
Lists at end of members of "Committee" for the years 1970-71, 1973-74, written 1970-71, 1973;
(Loose or attached papers as below);
Blank printed membership cards of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association, with programmes, for the years 1968-72, 1968-71;
Part of draft copy of report of Committee of the same Association for the year 1971-72, 1972;
Notice, report of Committee for the year 1972-73, statement of accounts for the year 1972-73 and notice (as in U106/B1/1) of the Salford Branch of C.A.S.E., n.d., prepared or collected for the Annual General Meeting of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association, 1973;

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ADMINISTRATION (contd.)

Minute book containing (contd.):

Notice with agenda of Annual General Meeting of the Salford District Association, 1975, and report of its Committee for the year 1974-75, 1975;
Statements of accounts of the same Association for the years 1973-75, 1974-75;
Copy of circular letter on the formation of the Salford District Branch of C.A.S.E., 1973;
Typescript copy of proposals by the Salford District Association for the Advancement of State Education to Salford Metropolitan District Education Committee, 1973;
Copies of circular letters, notices or statements issued by the same Association, 1973-74;
Duplicated copy and draft copy of information sheet of the same Association for members, 22 Jan., 1975;
Rough graph illustrating expenditure on education by "English counties", by Bradford, by Dudley and by education authorities in London and Greater Manchester, n.d., ?1975;
Duplicated address list for C.A.S.E., 1972;
Various collected publications (incl. newspaper cuttings) relating to education, especially in Eccles and neighbourhood, 1970-72, 1974;
Printed brochure of open courses at the University of Manchester, 1975

(1 vol. containing loose and attached papers)

BUSINESS

Folder containing one or more copies of the following papers or publications produced or collected by the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association or the Salford District Association:

1967-73,
n.d.

Draft written agenda for the Annual General Meeting of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association, 1968;
Agenda of Annual General Meeting, 1968, and invitation to General Meeting noth of the same Association, 1971;
Notice of and agenda for Annual General Meeting of the same Association incl. reference to a proposal for the amalgamation of the Association with the Salford Branch of C.A.S.E., 1973;
Typescript copy of constitution of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association, n.d.;
Printed blank membership cards of the same Association, with details of programmes, for the years 1968-73, 1968-72;
Xerox copies of correspondence of the Secretary of the same Association with the Department for Education and Science and with Mr. Lewis Carter-Jones, M.P. 1970;
Unsigned copies of minutes of the Committee of the same Association, 1970;
Reports by the Committee of the same Association for the years 1967-71, 1972-73, issued 1968-71, 1973;

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BUSINESS (contd.)

Folder containing one or more copies of the following papers or publications (contd.):

Financial statements of the same Association for the years 1967-70, issued 1968-70;
Memorandum of meeting of representatives of the same Association with the Chairman of the County Education Committee and the Chief Education Officer of Lancashire, 1968;
Memorandum of meeting of representatives of the same Association with the Chairman of Lancashire Education Division Executive No. 22, 1969;
Notice issued by the Salford Branch of C.A.S.E. (as in U106/AM2), n.d.;
Notices (intended for members of the public) of meetings, issued by the Salford District Association of C.A.S.E., n.d., ?c.1973;
Copy of minutes of the Annual General Meeting of C.A.S.E., 1969;
Circular letter, marked "Regional Secretary", on the work of C.A.S.E., 1969;
Statement issued by Lancashire Education Committee regarding Eccles College and Worsley College of Further Education, n.d., c.1970;
Progress report from the Planning Board of the I.S. 201 complex, New York, U.S.A., 1967;
Pencil sketches with accompanying text on value of attendance by parents at "open evening" in a school, n.d.;
List of children's books, 1969;
Invitation to exhibition 100 years of State Education 1870-1970 issued by Monks Hall Museum and issue of the Monks Hall Bulletin, 1970;
House of Commons Order Paper, 26 July, 1968;
Photocopy of newspaper cutting, [1969], and newspaper cutting, 1969, on organisations for improving education in Lancashire, with annotations, n.d.

(1 folder containing docs., mostly duplicated)

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Folder containing one or more of the following papers produced or collected by the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association or the Salford District Association, incl. published material:

Blank questionnaire issued by the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association regarding the work of school managers and governors in the local county Education Division, 1971 or 1972;
Written or xerox copies of lists of members of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association and of the Salford District Association, n.d.;
Notices, with agenda, of Annual General Meetings of the Salford District Association, 1974-75;
Printed draft of membership card of the same Association, marked "1975";
Draft agenda for meeting of the Committee of the same Association, 1974;
Report of Committee of the same Association for the year 1974-75, 1975, and report of subcommittee of the same Committee, 1974;

1971 or 1972,
1973-75,
n.d.

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BUSINESS (contd.)

Folder containing one or more of the following papers and publications (contd.):

Notices, notes and letters (incl. circular letters) concerning meetings in the area of the City of Salford, incl. ones arranged by the same Association, 1973-75, n.d. (with duplicated issue of Bulletin of the Friends of the Salford Museums Association, 1975, apparently collected in preparation for a meeting);

Notices and discussion papers issued by the Salford District Association, 1974-75, n.d.;
Draft and duplicated copy of information sheet for members issued by the same Association, 22 Jan., 1975;

Written notes on background to formation of the Salford Branch of the National Association of Governors and Managers, n.d.;

Written list of members of the Salford Metropolitan District Education Committee, n.d.;

Circular letter to parents from the City of Salford Chief Education Officer on the transfer of pupils from junior to secondary schools in the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury areas, 1974;

Circular letters and press statement from C.A.S.E., 1974, and related press cuttings, 1974;

Duplicated copy of minutes of North West regional meeting of C.A.S.E., year not stated;

Duplicated copy of constitution and other papers relating to the Trafford Association for the Advancement of State Education, 1973, n.d.;

Statement issued to the press by the Governors of Bolton School, 1975;

Various papers produced by C.A.S.E. or other organisations relating to education in general, 1974-75, n.d.;

Newspaper cuttings relating to local education, 1975, n.d.;

First issue of the periodical Salford Citizen, 1974;

Brochure advertising the Science and Technology Fair held at the University of Salford, 1975;

Printed syllabus of course on education of the Department of Extra-Mural Studies of the University of Manchester, 1974

(1 folder containing publications and papers)

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Bundle containing one or more copies of the following:

1968-73,
1975-76, n.d.

Report of the Committee of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association for the year 1971-72, 1972;

Blank questionnaire issued by the same Association regarding the work of school managers and governors in the local county Education Division, (as in U106/B1/2), 1971 or 1972;

Written account of the work of the same Association during the years 1963-73, arranged in order of years, n.d., ?1973;

Rough notes on the same Association and rough list of names and addresses headed "CASE and Salford", n.d.;

Rough notes on education in general in England, n.d.;

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BUSINESS (contd.)

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Bundle containing one or more copies of the following:

- Xerox copy of paper on the work of C.A.S.E., n.d., ?1973;
- Printed Annual Conference reports of C.A.S.E, 1970;
- Pamphlet containing duplicated meeting papers for Annual Conference of C.A.S.E., 1971;
- Printed issues of Parents and Schools, periodical of C.A.S.E., 1968-73;
- Printed issues of Parents and Schools Information Leaflets, 1968-73, n.d., and of News, 1968, also issued by C.A.S.E.;
- Duplicated pamphlets, Caseviews Two, Caseviews Four, issued by C.A.S.E., 1970-71;
- Duplicated national questionnaire on reading by children issued by C.A.S.E., 1973, and order form for C.A.S.E. and Home and School Council publications, 1972;
- Printed issues of Reports on Education of the Department of Education and Science, 1967-71, 1975;
- Other publications relating to education in general, 1969, 1971-72, 1974, n.d.;
- Newspaper cuttings (or copies) relating to education in the local Education Division and its neighbourhood, 1970-71, 1973, 1976, n.d.;
- Newspaper cuttings relating to education in general 1970-71, 1973, n.d.

(1 bdle. compiled by the Secretary of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association)

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Bundle containing one or more copies of the following: 1968-76, n.d.

- Notice of invitation to Annual General Meeting of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association, 1973;
- Duplicated copy of the constitution of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association, n.d., with attached duplicated copy of the constitution of C.A.S.E., 1968;
- Typed lists of members of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association, of the Salford District Association or of both, arranged by area, n.d.;
- Reports of the Committee of the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association for the year 1971-73, 1972-73;
- Blank questionnaire issued by the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association regarding the work of school managers and governors in the local county Education Division (as in U106/B1/2), 1971 or 1972;
- Notice issued by the Eccles, Swinton and Pendlebury Association and draft of part of it, n.d., ?c.1973;
- Notice, with agenda, of Annual General Meeting of the Salford District Association, 1975;
- Correspondence (incl. sheets with letterheading) of the Chairman or the Secretary of the Salford District Association, 1973-76, n.d.;
- Typescript of draft of letter by one member of the Committee [of the Salford District Association] to the other members of the Committee, 1974;
- Notices issued by the Salford District Association, 1973-74;

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BUSINESS (contd.)

U106/B3 Bundle containing one or more copies of following (contd.):

- Information leaflet for members issued by the Salford District Association, 22 Jan., 1975;
 Duplicated list of officers and members of the Council of the Salford Branch of the National Association of Governors and Managers, n.d.;
 Official letters and statements issued on behalf of the City of Salford Education Committee, 1972-73;
 Copy of newspaper cutting on education in the City of Salford, 1976;
 Correspondence, meeting papers and other papers produced by C.A.S.E., 1973-76, n.d.;
 Printed issues of Parents and Schools, 1972-73, 1975-76;
 Printed issue of Parents and Schools, North West edition, 1975;
 Printed issues of Parents and Schools Information Leaflets, 1969-70, 1972;
 Duplicated pamphlet, How to get things done, issued by C.A.S.E., n.d., 1974 or later;
 Items issued by branches of C.A.S.E. as follows (newsletter of South East Cheshire Association and one of the Southport Association, 1974, report of the Wirral Branch, 1974, and survey of the child population in Rainhill township by the Rainhill Branch, 1974);
 Printed issues of Reports on Education of the Department of Education and Science, 1970, 1975-76;
 Form for ordering books issued by the Home and School Council, n.d.;
 Various papers and publications on education in general, 1974-75, n.d.;
 Papers issued by the City of Salford Arts Council, 1976, n.d.;
 Printed syllabus of course on education of the Department of Extra-Mural Studies, University of Manchester, 1974

(1 bdl. compiled by the Secretary of the Salford District Association)

LITERARY AND MISCELLANEOUS

- /Z1 Newspaper cuttings on education in Eccles, Salford and elsewhere, 1971-75, n.d., and printed statement by C.A.S.E. for potential members, n.d. (1 folder containing papers) 1971-75, n.d.
- /Z2-3 Pamphlet, Fight for Education: a black paper, 1969, and volume, Black Paper Two: the crisis in education, ?1969, both edited by C.B. Fox and A.E. Dyson and published by the Critical Quarterly Society (1 pamphlet, 1 volume) 1969