

FALKIRK ARCHIVES

Local authority records

Falkirk Town Council Finding Aid (1)

The finding aid for the records of Falkirk Town Council has been divided into 11 parts. This part contains a list of the minutes of the Council and its Committees.

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Falkirk was erected a Burgh of Barony in 1600. It became a Parliamentary Burgh in 1833 and was incorporated in 1900. The Town Council records therefore date from 1833. Local government originated with two other bodies: the Stentmasters and the Feuars. They had no legal powers but they raised levies in the burgh and dealt with maintenance and improvements. Their powers were gradually replaced by the legal powers of Falkirk Town Council from 1833.

Falkirk as a Parliamentary Burgh was able to acquire police powers from 1847 by adopting the Amending Act, 1847, but this opportunity was rejected by the householders in 1848. In 1859 Falkirk adopted the 1850 Police Act which gave the Town Council authority to appoint a Superintendent of Police, take over the water, sanitation, street cleansing, public works and improvements from the Stentmasters and various other powers. In 1873 Falkirk adopted the 1862 General Police and Improvement (Scotland) Act which gave additional powers in lighting, cleansing, improvements and police matters. The Town Council (Scotland) Act of 1900 provided for the incorporation of burghs and was adopted by Falkirk in 1900.

Falkirk Town Council

Falkirk Town Council was established in 1833 following the Burgh Reform Act of 1833 which created parliamentary burghs and gave the new parliamentary burghs the right to elect town councils and to elect a member of parliament. The Town Council was abolished in 1974 following the Local Government (Scotland) etc Act, 1973, and its powers transferred to Falkirk District Council.

<i>Reference No</i>	<i>Dates</i>	<i>Description</i>
A812.001/01	1833-1868	Minutes
A812.001/02	1868-1893	Minutes. Also includes minutes of Dean of Guild Court, 1885-1893
A812.001/03	1893-1900	Minutes
A812.001/04	1901-1904	Minutes
A812.001/05	1904-1922	Minutes. (From November 1905 contains mainly licensing matters)
A812.001/06	1922-1935	Minutes. (Contains mainly licensing matters)
A812.001/07	1935-1949	Minutes. (Contains mainly licensing matters)
A812.001/14	1899-1940	Private Minute Book. Contains minutes of special meetings, receipts for bonds & mortgages.
A812.001/15	1905-1906	Minutes
A812.001/16	1906-1907	Minutes
A812.001/17	1907-1908	Minutes
A812.001/18	1908-1909	Minutes
A812.001/19	1909-1910	Minutes
A812.001/20	1910-1911	Minutes
A812.001/21	1912-1913	Minutes
A812.001/22	1913-1914	Minutes
A812.001/23	1914-1915	Minutes
A812.001/24	1915-1916	Minutes
A812.001/25	1917-1918	Minutes
A685.006	1919-1920	Minutes
A812.001/26	1921-1922	Minutes
A812.001/27	1922-1923	Minutes
A538.001	Nov 1922-Nov 1923	Minutes
A812.001/28	1923-1924	Minutes
A812.001/29	1924-1925	Minutes
A812.001/30	1925-1926	Minutes
A812.001/31	1926-1927	Minutes
A812.001/32	1927-1928	Minutes
A812.001/33	1928-1929	Minutes
A812.001/34	1929-1930	Minutes
A812.001/35	1930-1931	Minutes
A812.001/36	1931-1932	Minutes
A812.001/37	1932-1933	Minutes
A812.001/38	1933-1934	Minutes
A812.001/39	1934-1935	Minutes
A812.001/40	1935-1936	Minutes
A812.001/41	1936-1937	Minutes
A812.001/42	1937-1938	Minutes
A812.001/43	1938-1939	Minutes
A812.001/44	1939-1940	Minutes
A812.001/45	1940-1941	Minutes
A812.001/46	1941-1942	Minutes

A812.001/47	1942-1943	Minutes
A812.001/48	1943-1944	Minutes
A812.001/49	1944-1945	Minutes
A812.001/50	1945-1946	Minutes
A812.001/51	1946-1947	Minutes
A812.001/52	1947-1948	Minutes
A812.001/53	1949-1950	Minutes
A812.001/54	1950-1951	Minutes
A812.001/55	1951-1952	Minutes
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A812.001/60	1956-1957	Minutes
A812.001/61	1957-1958	Minutes
A812.001/62	1958-1959	Minutes
A812.001/63	1959-1960	Minutes
A812.001/64	1960-1961	Minutes
A812.001/65	1961-1962	Minutes
A812.001/66	1962-1963	Minutes
A812.001/67	1963-1964	Minutes
A812.001/68	1964-1965	Minutes
A812.001/69	1965-1966	Minutes
A812.001/70	1966-1967	Minutes
A812.001/71	1967-1968	Minutes
A685.007	1968-1969	Minutes
A812.001/72	May 1969-Oct 1969	Minutes
A812.001/73	Nov 1969-Apr 1970	Minutes
A812.001/74	1970-1971	Minutes
A812.001/75	May 1971-Dec 1971	Minutes
A812.001/76	Dec 1971-Apr 1972	Minutes
A812.001/77	1971-1972	Index to Minutes
A812.001/78	May 1972-Oct 1972	Minutes
A812.001/79	Oct 1972-Apr 1973	Minutes
A812.001/80	1972-1973	Index to Minutes
A812.001/81	May 1973-Nov 1973	Minutes
A812.001/82	Nov 1973-Apr 1974	Minutes
A812.001/83	May 1974-Nov 1974	Minutes
A812.001/84	Nov 1974-Apr 1975	Minutes
A812.001/85	1974-1975	Index to Minutes

Please note that A2167.047 - A2167.052, a set of Falkirk Town Council minutes covering May 1969 to May 1975, is also available.

Council Committees

A812.002/01	1862-1863	Minutes of meetings relating to the Unemployed Cotton Operatives of Lancashire
A812.002/02	1877-1879	Water and Lighting Committee minutes
A812.002/03	1877-1881	Sanitary Committee minutes
A812.002/04	1878-1882	Roads and Drainage Committee minutes
A812.002/05	1878-1883	Market Committee minutes
A812.002/06	1878-1884	Streets and Buildings Committee minutes
A812.002/07	1878-1891	Slaughterhouses Committee minutes
A812.002/08	1879-1890	Water and Lighting Committee minutes

A812.002/09	1882-1899	Roads and Bridges Committee minutes
A812.002/10	1883-1900	Miscellaneous Committee minutes
A812.002/11	1884-1892	Streets and Buildings Committee minutes
A812.002/12	1887-1894	Finance Committee minutes
A812.002/13	1889-1900	Sanitary Committee minutes
A812.002/14	1890-1900	Lighting Committee minutes
A812.002/15	1891-1900	Hospitals Committee minutes
A812.002/16	1893-1900	Streets and Buildings Committee
A812.002/17	1894-1900	Finance Committee Minutes
A812.002/18	1895-1900	Gas Committee Minutes
A812.002/19	1895-1900	Gas Finance Committee Minutes
A812.002/20	1895-1900	Gas Works Committee Minutes
A812.002/21	1896-1905	Burgh Property Committee Minutes
A812.002/22	1897-1902	Public Parks Committee Minutes
A812.002/23	1899-1902	Public Health Committee Minutes
A812.002/24	1899-1905	Roads Committee Minutes
A812.002/25	1900-1905	Cleansing & Slaughterhouse Committee Minutes
A812.002/26	1900-1905	Fire Brigade Committee Minutes
A812.002/27	1900-1905	Gas Finance Committee Minutes
A812.002/28	1900-1905	Gas Works Committee Minutes
A812.002/29	1900-1905	Lighting Committee Minutes
A812.002/30	1900-1905	Streets & Building Committee Minutes
A812.002/31	1900-1905	Finance Committee Minutes
A812.002/32	1900-1912	Miscellaneous Committee Minutes
A812.002/33	1900-1941	Private Committee Minutes
A812.002/34	1900-1905	Electric Light Committee Minutes
A812.002/35	1902-1903	Hospital Committee Minutes
A812.002/36	1902-1905	Public Health Committee Minutes
A812.002/37	1908-1909	Distress Committee Minutes
A812.002/38	1908-1926	Old Age Pensions Committee Minutes
A812.002/39	1909-1944	Finance Committee Minutes
A812.002/40	1912	Miscellaneous Committee Minutes
A812.002/41	1919-1948	Falkirk Infectious Diseases Hospital and Sanatorium Committee Minutes
A812.002/42	1932-1937	Public Health Committee minutes and Housing Sub- committee minutes
A812.009/08	1919	Peace Celebration Committee Minute book
A812.009/09	1957-1970	Civil Defence Committee Minutes
A919.001	20 Oct 1938- 19 Dec 1961	Falkirk West Ward Committee Minutes