

## FALKIRK ARCHIVES

### Records of Organisations

#### Redding Disaster Relief Fund finding aid

The Redding Pit Disaster Relief Fund was set up by the Provost of Falkirk and the proprietor of the Falkirk Herald a few days after the Pit 23 of Redding Colliery was flooded in September 1923. The fund supported the survivors of the flood, some of whom were trapped in the mine for up to nine days, and supported the dependants of the men who died. The fund was administered by the Falkirk Burgh Chamberlain and was wound up in 1966.

Records relating to the Redding Pit Disaster Inquiry are listed separately in the Redding Pit Disaster Inquiry finding aid.

<i>Reference No</i>	<i>Dates</i>	<i>Brief Description</i>
A812.009/01	1923-1966	Minutes
A1034.001	1923	Draft deed of trust establishing the Redding Disaster Relief Fund by the Provost of Falkirk and the proprietor of the Falkirk Herald. Also includes example of other trust deeds
A1130.001	1923-1964	Draft deed of trust and Registered Deed of Trust establishing the Redding Disaster Relief Fund by the Provost of Falkirk, William Muirhead, and the proprietor of the Falkirk Herald, Frederick Johnston. Also includes Deeds of Assumption and Conveyance, 1953. & 1964
A1034.002	1923	Scheme for the administration of the funds raised for relief of the sufferers by the disaster which occurred at Redding Colliery (No 23 Pit) near Falkirk on 25th September 1923
A1130.017	1966	Memorial for Redding Mine Disaster Trust Fund for the Opinion of Counsel produced by Peter Maxwell relating to the future of the Fund.
A1130.002	1924-1927	Minutes for meetings associated with the trust. Includes meetings of the Trustees, meetings of the subscribers and meetings of the Provisional Committee.
A066.033	1923	Redding Colliery Disaster Central Relief Fund. List of subscribers with amounts subscribed
A812.009/02	1923-1966	Letter book
A812.009/03	1943	Index to Letter Book
A066.034	1923-1924	Redding Colliery Disaster Relief Fund Special Letters. Contains correspondence relating to administration and disbursement of funds
A1130.003	1923-1927	Correspondence related to meetings associated with the Redding Disaster Relief Fund. Includes circulars produced by the Honorary Secretary of the Fund. Also includes agendas and other correspondence including meeting invites and apologies.

A1130.004	1923-1925	Correspondence related to the creation of an administration to organise the fund. Includes correspondence between the Honorary Secretary of the Fund and various correspondents. These include Robert Smith, Alex Smith and the Honorary Treasurer of the Fund. Also includes correspondence involving the Burgh Chamberlain, the Provost of Falkirk and various correspondents.
A1130.005	1924	Correspondence related to the Deed of Trust. Includes correspondence between the Honorary Secretary of the Fund and various correspondents. These include the Honorary Treasurer of the Fund.
A1130.006	1923-1931	Correspondence related to the Falkirk Herald. Includes correspondence between the editor of the Falkirk Herald and the Honorary Secretary of the disaster fund. Also includes correspondence between the editor of the Falkirk Herald and an unhappy resident of Wallacestone.
A1130.007	1918-1923	Correspondence relating to fundraising and subscriptions. Includes circulars asking for subscriptions produced by the Honorary Secretary of the Fund. Also includes offers of assistance and details of fundraising events.
A1130.008	1923-1935	Correspondence relating to surviving beneficiaries. Includes appeals from people affected by the disaster and notes from doctors after some of the survivors later died.
A1130.009	1923-1926	Correspondence relating to the provision of care for affected children. Includes offers to care for affected children from Dr Barnardo's Homes, Royal Caledonian Schools and Mr James Paterson's Trust. Also includes a copy order of a petition by the Royal Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and related correspondence.
A1130.010	1924-1942	Correspondence relating to articles in newspapers about the fund. Includes correspondence with the Honorary Secretary of the Fund as well as with the Honorary Treasurer of the fund.
A1130.018	1923-1925	Miscellaneous correspondence related to the Redding Disaster Relief Fund. Includes letters of sympathy and other correspondence to the Honorary Secretary of the Fund.
A1034.003	1923-1931	Lists of beneficiaries and dependants
A1034.004	1923-1946	Financial statements, synopses of allowances to beneficiaries, investments and information on surviving beneficiaries
A1034.005	29 Dec 1923	Forward newspaper. Includes article and comment on organisation of the Redding Disaster Relief Fund.
A066.002	1923-1924	Account book. Contains notes of payments to dependants, allowances to survivors, train fares to Saltcoats Convalescent Home and sundry payments
A1151.001	1924-1934	Cash book No 1
A1151.002	1934-1954	Cash book No 2
A1151.003	1954-1957	Cash book No 3
A1151.004	1923-1924	Cash book

A1151.005	1924-1936	Ledger No 1
A1151.006	1940-1957	Ledger No 2
A1034.051	1957-1966	General ledger
A812.009/04	1924-1946	Abstract of Accounts
A1034.006	1924-1925	Abstract of accounts
A1034.007	1925	Abstract of accounts
A1034.008	1926	Abstract of accounts
A1034.009	1927	Abstract of accounts
A1034.010	1928	Abstract of accounts
A1034.011	1929	Abstract of accounts
A1034.012	1930	Abstract of accounts
A1034.013	1931	Abstract of accounts
A1034.014	1932	Abstract of accounts
A1034.015	1933	Abstract of accounts
A1034.016	1934	Abstract of accounts
A1034.017	1935	Abstract of accounts
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A1034.041	1959	Abstract of accounts
A1034.042	1960	Abstract of accounts
A1034.043	1961	Abstract of accounts
A1034.044	1962	Abstract of accounts
A1034.045	1963	Abstract of accounts
A1034.046	1964	Abstract of accounts
A1034.047	1965	Abstract of accounts
A1034.048	1966	Abstract of accounts
A1130.012	1929;1932	Abstract of Accounts for the Redding Mining Disaster Trust Fund. Produced by W.R. Campbell, Chartered Accountant, Falkirk.

A1130.011	1923-1966	Financial reports. Includes correspondence between the Under Secretary for Mines, London, and the Honorary Secretary of the Fund concerning particulars of Colliery Accident Funds. Also includes financial reports sent to the Honorary Secretary of the Fund produced by Robertson and Melville. Also includes Actuarial Valuation Reports and a report on the Creation of Annuities for Beneficiaries.
A1034.049	1966	Report on investments and annuities
A1034.050	1953-1966	Financial statements and correspondence
A873.002	nd	Typed copy of letter written by the late Thomas Thomson, 38 Comely Place, Falkirk, to his wife and children, while trapped in Redding Pit
A101.001/01	1963	Newscutting with interview of John Miller, survivor of the Redding Pit Disaster. Written at time of Lengede disaster
A1130.013	1924-1942	Newspaper cuttings with articles relating to the Redding Disaster Relief Fund. Includes cuttings from Forward, Edinburgh Evening News, The Scotsman, The Glasgow Herald and the Glasgow Evening News.
A1130.014	1933-1946	Summaries of replies to questionnaire issued to rescued men. Includes a blank copy of the questionnaire.
A1130.015	1887-1927	Material related to various mining disaster relief funds. Includes correspondence, minutes, deeds of trust and financial reports from Mauricewood Pit Disaster Relief Fund, Udston Accident Fund, Blantyre Accident Fund, The Midland District Miners' Fatal Accident Relief Society, Plean Colliery Disaster County Relief Fund, Gartshore Pit Disaster Fund, Stanrigg Colliery Disaster Fund and Cadder Pit Disaster Fund.
A101.001/02	1923	"Souvenir in affectionate remembrance of the men who lost their lives in the Pit Disaster, Redding Stirlingshire." Paper tissue souvenir of the Redding Pit Disaster. Contains list of men who died in disaster. Border of violets.
A104.001	1923	"Souvenir in affectionate remembrance of the men who lost their lives in the Pit Disaster, Redding Stirlingshire." Paper tissue souvenir of the Redding Pit Disaster. Contains list of men who died in disaster. Border of violets.
A920.001	1923	"Souvenir in affectionate remembrance of the men who lost their lives in the Pit Disaster, Redding Stirlingshire." Paper tissue souvenir of the Redding Pit Disaster. Contains list of men who died in disaster. Border of violets.
A1071.001	1923	"Souvenir in affectionate remembrance of the men who lost their lives in the Pit Disaster, Redding Stirlingshire." Paper tissue souvenir of the Redding Pit Disaster. Contains list of men who died in disaster. Border of violets.
A1130.016	1923	"Souvenir in affectionate remembrance of the men who lost their lives in the Pit Disaster at Redding No. 23 Stirlingshire". Paper tissue souvenir of the Redding Pit Disaster with a message from the King and Queen. Contains a list of the men who died in the disaster as well as those rescued.