

## FALKIRK ARCHIVES

### Falkirk Cottage Hospital Finding Aid

#### Administrative History

Falkirk Cottage Hospital was set up in 1889 on Thornhill Road under the Public Health (Scotland) Act 1867 which gave powers to town councils, police commissioners and parochial boards to erect hospitals, regulate lodging houses and combat diseases. Harriet Gibson, wife of J E Gibson of Salton Iron Works was the driving force behind the founding of the hospital. In 1904 the Board of Managers of the hospital decided to re-name it Falkirk Infirmary. Although the Infirmary expanded considerably over the next decade, by the 1920s it was clear that the accommodation was too small to meet demand and fund-raising took place to build a new Infirmary. Falkirk Infirmary was closed in 1932 following the opening of Falkirk & District Royal Infirmary.

<i>Reference No</i>	<i>Production date</i>	<i>Brief Description</i>
A1451.004	Jun 1901	Programme. Cycle Parade and Sports
A722.001	10 Jan 1908	Plan, Falkirk Cottage Hospital : front elevation, section and floor plan
A1747.001	Dec 1920-Apr 1921	Patient Admission Register, giving name and address, date admitted, diagnosis, summary of treatment and date case dismissed, Closed until 31 May 2021 under Data Protection Act
A1747.010	Early 20th Century	Certificate (blank) issued to nurses who had completed three years training in the medical and surgical wards at Falkirk Infirmary, Thornhill Rd