

TEESSIDE ARCHIVES

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REGISTER OF ELECTORS AND BURGESS ROLLS

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Register of Electors were produced from 1832 onwards except for the war years, 1916 – 1917 and 1940 – 1944. They list people who qualified to vote in Parliamentary elections and local Government elections. There are no women included in the registers before 1918. In 1918 certain categories of women aged 30 years and above became eligible to vote.

Burgess Rolls list people who qualified to vote in elections for the Borough Councils. They cease to be produced, it would appear, during World War I, certain women were included in the rolls from 1869 onwards.

Eligibility to Vote This depended upon qualifications which were amended periodically throughout the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. See The Local Historian's Encyclopedia, J Richardson, pp57 – 58 and Electoral Registers since 1832 and Burgess Rolls, J Gibson and C Rogers, pp3 – 12. Both volumes are available on the searchroom shelves in this department.

The following Registers of Electors and Burgess Rolls are available in the department;

North Riding of Yorkshire 1832 – 1875
(m/f only)

Middlesbrough 1853 – 1956

Register of Electors and *Burgess Rolls

CB/M/C 8/1 – 147

Including North Ormesby 1868 – 1956

Including Ormesby, Normanby, South Bank

Eston and Grangetown 1868 – 1914

Thornaby included in West Division 1950 – 1956

List of Absent Service Voters 1918
Including North Ormesby

*Burgess Rolls cover Middlesbrough only

Cleveland Division of North Riding 1918 – 1927
(m/f only) (Not a complete series)
Taking in Acklam, Eston, Guisborough, Loftus, Marton, 1930, 1936 – 1939
Redcar, Saltburn, Skelton, Stainton, Wilton and 1945 – 1950
surrounding areas.

<u>South Eastern Division of County Durham</u> (m/f only)	1835 – 1915
Taking in Stockton, Hartlepool, West Hartlepool, Darlington and surrounding areas.	
<u>Brotton (parish)</u>	1938 – 1971
PR/BRP/11/4&5	
<u>Coatham (parish)</u>	1916, 1920 – 1929,
PR/CO/9/2-5	1941 – 1948
<u>Loftus (parish)</u>	
PR/LO 9/2-3	1920 – 1973
<u>Ormesby (parish)</u>	1950 – 1971 approx
PR/OR 3/18	

Registers of Electors and Burgess Rolls held elsewhere

Please contact institutions in advance of a visit to ensure the relevant registers are available.

County Durham Record Office
County Hall, Durham Tel: 0191 383 3683

County Durham taking in Hartlepool, West Hartlepool, Stockton
and surrounding areas. 1832 – 1918

North Yorkshire County Record Office
Malpas Road, Northallerton Tel: 01609 777 585
address for correspondence County Hall, Northallerton

North Riding of Yorkshire 1832 - 1974
Excluding Middlesbrough and district (1918 onwards)
and Teesside (1968 – 1974)

Hartlepool Reference Library124 York Road, HartlepoolTel: 01429 263778

Please note some volumes are not at present available because of their fragile condition. H = Old Borough of Hartlepool. WH = West Hartlepool. T = Throston. S = Seaton Carew.

Burgess Rolls

1870 (H), 1883 (T.H), 1903 (WH.S), 1913 (WH.S),
1914 (WH.S), 1915 (WH)

Register of Electors

1870 (H.T.S. Stranton), 1871 (T), 1875 (T), 1877 (T),
1883 (H.T), 1885 (H.T), 1890 (H), 1891 (H.T Stranton),
1913 & 1914 (WH.S), 1915 (WH), 1919 (WH.S), 1924
(WH.S) 1925 & 1926 (WH.S.H), 1927 (WH), 1930 – 1936
(WH.H.S), 1938 (WH.S), 1946 – 1948 (WH.S),

1918 Absent Service Voters (WH.S.H)

Middlesbrough Reference LibraryVictoria Square, Middlesbrough Tel: 01642 263358Poll Books

Yorkshire 1807

Burgess Rolls

Middlesbrough 1868

Register of Electors

1932 – 1968

Middlesbrough

Including North Ormesby 1932 – 1968

Thornaby included in West Division 1950 – 1968

Teesside County Borough

1968 – 1974

Taking in Eston, Long Newton, Middlesbrough, Redcar,
Stainton, Stockton, Thornaby and surrounding areas

Cleveland County

1975 – 1996

Great Ayton

1937

New Boroughs of Middlesbrough, Redcar and Cleveland and Stockton	1996 to date
<u>Redcar Reference Library</u> <u>Coatham Road, Redcar</u> <u>Tel: 01642 489292</u>	
Redcar	1968 to date
<u>Stockton Reference Library</u> <u>Church Road, Stockton</u> <u>Tel: 01642 393994</u>	
Stockton	1926, 1939 1945, 1952 to date
<u>Stockton Museum Service</u> <u>Green Dragon Museum, Theatre Yard,</u> <u>Off High Street, Stockton</u> <u>Tel: 01642 393938</u>	
Stockton	1939
Thornaby	1939
<u>Hartlepool Borough Council, Electoral Registration Dept</u> <u>Civic Centre, Victoria Road, Hartlepool</u> <u>Tel: 01429 266522</u>	
Hartlepool and West Hartlepool	1890's to date (not a complete series)
<u>Redcar and Cleveland (formerly Langbaurgh Borough) Council</u> <u>Electoral Registration Dept</u> <u>Fabian Road, South Bank</u> <u>Tel: 01642 444000</u>	
Langbaurgh	1974 to date
<u>Middlesbrough Borough Council, Electoral Registration Dept</u> <u>Municipal Buildings, Middlesbrough</u> <u>Tel: 01642 263665</u>	
Middlesbrough	1946 to date

Stockton Borough Council, Electoral Registration Dept
Church Road, Stockton Tel: 01642 393939

S = Stockton T = Thornaby B = Billingham Eas = Wolviston, Whitton,
 Eaglescliffe and area. Rich = Yarm, Ingleby Barwick and area.

1949 – 1952 (T West), 1953 Missing, 1954 (S part and T West), 1955 – 1957 (S part & T),
 1956 (T), 1958 (S part), 1959 (S part & T West), 1960 Missing, 1961 – 1962 (S part & T West),
 1963 (S part), 1964 (S part & T West), 1965 (S part), 1966 (T West), 1967 Missing, 1968 (T),
 1969 – 1970 (S & T), 1971 (Teesside S & Teesside T part 1), 1972- 1975 (Teesside Stockton),
 1976 – 1977 (Teesside S, Eas & Rich),
 1978 (Teesside S), 1979 (S part, Eas & Rich), 1980 (Teesside S, Eas & Rich), 1981 – 1982
 (Teesside S), 1983 (Teesside S, B part, T part, Eas & Rich, 1984 (S North & South), 1985
 Missing, 1986 to present S (North & South).