Banbury Historical Society Library

Index to blue folders

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Introduction

The "blue folders" consist of artefacts and resource materials other than books held in the library. They include such things as photos and images, maps and plans, newspaper clippings, articles and extracts, pamphlets, village and parish church magazines, archaeological field reports and other miscellaneous ephemera collected together under the headings as indicated below in the Folder Title column. Each type of material is contained in a separate envelope indicated by the bullet points in the Content Envelopes column.

Care instructions for users and staff

Please be aware that some of the materials as well as the folders themselves are quite fragile. Care needs to be taken when taking the folders out of the cupboard as, over time, some of the elastic holding bands have become worn and loose. The folders also catch on each other as they are taken out and put back in.

Some of the material in the envelopes, such as original copies of newspapers, original prints of photographs and other primary source material is also quite valuable and needs extra care taken when handling them. The envelopes themselves are quite flimsy although these can be easily replaced if they are torn or damaged.

It is not a perfect system but, until we can find alternative ways of storing and making the materials available, we just need to take care with them.

Banburyshire

Folder title	Content envelopes
Banburyshire	MiscellaneousNewspaper clippings
	 Articles and extracts 'A Changing Landscape' (material for a video)

Banbury places and subjects

Folder title	Content envelopes
Banbury Cakes/Cheese	Banbury Cakes Photos and images Newspaper/magazine clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous Banbury Cheese
Banbury Castle	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings Articles and reports Miscellaneous
Banbury Cattle Market	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings Articles and reports Miscellaneous
Banbury Chapbooks/Printing	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous Cheney's
Banbury Churches and Religion General (except St Mary's)	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings Articles and reports Miscellaneous 1 & 2
Banbury Corporation	 Photos and Images Newspaper clippings Articles and reports Corporation dinners – tickets and invitations (Dufour) Miscellaneous
Banbury Cross 1	 Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous
Banbury Cross 2	Photos and images

Folder title	Content envelopes
Banbury Developments 1	Newspaper clippings
	Miscellaneous
Banbury Developments 2	Hardwick Farmhouse
Banbury Fair/Carnival	Photos and images
	Newspaper clippings
	Articles and extracts
	Miscellaneous
Banbury Historical Society	Articles and extracts
	Newspaper clippings
	Miscellaneous
Banbury Museum 1	Newspaper clippings
	Articles and extracts
	Miscellaneous 1 & 2
Banbury Museum 2	Photos and images
Banbury Photography	Photos and images
	Newspaper clippings
	Articles and reports
	Packer Index (Centre for Oxfordshire Studies)
	Miscellaneous
Banbury Pubs/Inns 1 (by name)	• A -G
	• H – P
	• Q – R
	• S – T
Banbury Pubs/Inns 2 (by name)	• U - Z
	Miscellaneous and unidentified
	Whately Hall Hotel oversized photos
	[see also Winter Gardens/Inn Within/Watson's
	Wine Vaults (Hunt/Usher) below]
Banbury Schools/Education 1	Newspaper clippings
	Articles and extracts
	Photos and images
Banbury Schools/Education 2	Miscellaneous 1 & 2
Banbury Town General 1	Photos and images – various places and
	people
	Miscellaneous
	Walks and pamphlets
Banbury Town General 2	Newspaper clippings
	Articles and extracts

Banbury streets and buildings

Folder title	Content envelopes
Bridge Street (including Town Hall)/Parsons Street	 Photos Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous
Calthorpe Manor	 Photos Newspaper Clippings Miscellaneous
Cornhill/Market Place	 Photos Newspaper Clippings Miscellaneous
Grimsbury	 Photos Newspaper Clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous
High Street/Church Lane/White Lion Walk	 Photos Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous
Horsefair/North Bar/South Bar/West Bar	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous
Horton Hospital	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous
St Mary's Parish Church	 Photos, drawings and images Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous Parish magazines
Winter Gardens/Inn Within/Watson Wine Vaults (Hunt/Usher)	 Miscellaneous Newspaper clippings Photos
Miscellaneous (including Broad, Calthorpe, Castle and Oxford Roads)	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings Miscellaneous

Oxfordshire villages and towns

Folder title	Content envelopes
Adderbury 1	 Articles and extracts Miscellaneous Adderbury and Bodicote Court Rolls (CM Dalton 21/3/1985)
Adderbury 2	 Photos Newspaper clippings 'Adderbury Contact' magazine
Barfords/South Newington	 Photos Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous 'Barford News'
Bicester	 Photos Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous
Bloxham 1	Newspaper clippingsArticles and extracts 1 & 2
Bloxham 2	 Photos Miscellaneous 'Bloxham Broadsheet'
Bodicote	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous
Broughton/North Newington	 Photos Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous George Elliott, sadler Archaeological field reports
Cropredy/Williamscote/Claydon/Bourtons	 Photos Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous Cropredy Friendly Society
Deddington	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous The Deddington 'Flute' Archaeological field reports

Folder title	Content envelopes
Deddington, Franklins of, 1	Photos
Deddington, Franklins of, 2	 Newspaper Clippings Dated correspondence 1984/5 re Museum exhibition Churches (Franklins related) Miscellaneous
Drayton/Wroxton	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous Maps Archaeology field surveys
Hanwell/Horley/Hornton	 Photos Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous
Heyfords/Steeple Aston/Middle Aston 1	 Photos Newspaper clippings Maps Articles and extracts
Heyfords/Steeple Aston/Middle Aston 2	Miscellaneous 1 & 2'Guardian' RAF magazine
Hook Norton	 Photos Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous Maps
North Aston/Rousham	 Photos Articles and extracts 'North Aston News' Newspaper clippings Maps Miscellaneous
Shenington/Alkerton	 Photos Newspaper clippings Maps Miscellaneous Thomas Lydiat
Shutford/Epwell	 Photos Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts Miscellaneous
Somerton	PhotosNewspaper clippingsArticles and extracts

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Swalcliffe 1	Newspaper clippings
	Miscellaneous
	• Maps
	Archaeological field surveys
	Artists and extracts
Swalcliffe 2	Photos
Tadmarton/Sibfords	Photos
	 Newspaper and magazine cuttings
	Miscellaneous
	Articles and extracts
The Tews	Photos
	Articles and extracts
	Miscellaneous
Wardington	Photos
	Newspaper clippings
	Miscellaneous
Wigginton/Milcombe	Photos
	Newspaper clippings
	Articles and extracts
	Miscellaneous
	Archaeological field surveys
Other Oxfordshire Towns and Villages A-M	Abingdon
	Ascott-under-Wychwood
	Chadlington
	Chipping Norton
	Cogges
	CombeCuxham
	 Dorchester Enstone
	Finmere
	Fringford
	Fulbrook
	Great Milton
	Hardwick-cum-Tusmore
	Kelmscott
	Kidlington
	Long Compton
	Long Hanborough
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-	Rousham
	Sandhills
	Stonesfield

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Folder title	 Swerford Swinbrook Waddesdon Warborough/Shillingford Warmington Water Eaton Witney Woodstock
	WormleightonOxfordshire (General)

Northamptonshire villages and towns

Folder title	Content envelopes
Northamptonshire Towns and Villages 1 A - L	 Aynho 1 – Photos Aynho 2 - Miscellaneous Brackley Byfield Canons Ashby Chacombe Croughton Culworth Edgecote Eydon Helmdon Kings Sutton/Astrop
Northamptonshire Towns and Villages 2 M – Z	 Marston St Lawrence Middleton Cheney/Thenford Northampton Sulgrave Towcester Warkworth Woodford Halse Northamptonshire (General)

Warwickshire and Gloucestershire villages and towns

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Warwickshire and Gloucestershire villages and towns	 Burton Dassett (Warks) Compton Wynyates (Warks) Edgehill (Warks) Elkstone (Glos) Farnborough (Warks) Ratley (Warks) Shotteswell (Warks) Stratford-upon-Avon (Warks) Tysoe (Warks) Warwick (Warks)

Subject areas

Folder title	Content envelopes
Agriculture	 Photos 1 & 2 Newspaper clippings Miscellaneous Rhubarb
Alcan	 Photos Newspaper clippings Miscellaneous Articles and extracts Open Days
Archaeology/Architecture 1	Newspaper clippingsMiscellaneous 1 & 2
Archaeology/Architecture 2	 Photos and images Listed buildings 'The Ages of Britain' magazine extracts
Artists	 George Graham Walker Basil Nightingale Charles Windsor Maurice Draper William Matthison Miscellaneous
Arts and Entertainment	 Photos Newspaper clippings Miscellaneous Articles and extracts Banbury Symphony Orchestra
Banking	ArticlesPhotosMiscellaneous
Brewing	 Photos Newspaper clippings Miscellaneous 1 & 2 Articles and extracts
Civic Trust/Civic Society/Chamber of Commerce	 Newspaper clippings Miscellaneous Chamber of Commerce annual dinner programmes
Civil War/Puritans 1	Photos and imagesMiscellaneous 1 & 2
Civil War/Puritans 2	 Articles and extracts 1992/93 museum exhibition Newspaper and magazine clippings and supplements

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	• Hodson/Hodgson
	• Holland
	o Holloway
	 Humphris
	o Hutt
	• I-L
	• Kedge
	• Kimberley
	o Kinman
	• Kirkland
	o Knibb(s)
	o Lampitt
	o Lester
	o Lovell
	• M-Q
	 Maltby
	 Mascord
	o Mayo
	 Metcalfe
	 Painter/Preedy
	 Parish
	 Partridge
	 Perry
	○ Peugh
	 Plester
Family History 3 – named families R - Z	• R – SHE
	 Rowell/Hobley
	 Rowlands
	 Rawles
	o Rumbold
	 Sedgley
	o Sermon
	 Shelswell
	• Shirley
	• SI – SZ
	o Skinner
	o Skuse
	o Sole
	 Spanswick
	o Strange
	• T-Z
	• Tustain
	• Waddups
	• Webb
	• West
	• Wing
	 Wingrove
	 Wyatt
	Unidentified

Folder title	Content envelopes
Flora Thompson	 Photos Newspaper clippings Miscellaneous Articles and extracts
Industry – General 1	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings 1 & 2 Miscellaneous Articles and extracts
Industry – General 2 – named companies	 Spencer's Corset Factory Barrows and Stewart 1 & 2 Stones/Fine Lady Furniture Automotive Products
Industry – General 3	Brickworks
Industry – General 4 - Crafts	 Articles and extracts Photos Newspaper clippings Miscellaneous
Industry – G. Hartland 1	 National Filling Factory Banbury Industry – General Banbury Gas Light and Coke Company
Industry – G. Hartland 2	 Steam Power Vulcan Foundry Banbury Power Station Quarries Airfields Cherwell Area G. Hartland's notebook
Industry – Samuelson's Britannia Works	 Photos, images and plans Miscellaneous Articles and extracts
Local Newspapers 1930s – 1960s	
Local Newspapers 1970s – 1980s	
Local People – named individual	 Castle, William ('Old Mettle') Curwen, Reg Dew, George Franklin, Benjamin Houghton, Alice Kalbergo, John Lamb, Theodore Meadows, Ann Miscellaneous and unidentified
Local Politics and Elections	Banbury Borough/Town Council

Folder title	Content envelopes
	Cherwell District Council
	Oxfordshire County Council
	Parliamentary
M40	Articles and extracts
	Newspaper and magazine clippings
	Miscellaneous
Military (Miscellaneous)	Miscellaneous
	 Newspaper clippings.
	Photos
	Articles and extracts
Oxford Canal 1	Newspaper clippings 1
	 Newspaper clippings 2 – 'The Waterways
	Wanderer' (John Owen)
	Miscellaneous 1, 2 & 3
Oxford Canal 2	Photos and images
	Articles and extracts
	Maps and plans
	Tooley's boatyard
Oxford Canal 3	Original photos in plastic folder
Plush	Photos
	Newspaper clippings
	Miscellaneous 1 & 2
	Articles and extracts
Poor Law	Miscellaneous
Railways 1	Photos 1 & 2 and 1 oversized.
Railways 2	Newspaper clippings
	Miscellaneous
	Articles and extracts
Royalty/Royal Visits	Photos
	Newspaper clippings
	Articles
	Miscellaneous
	Royal Visit 1959 – correspondence and
	arrangements 1 & 2
Sports Clubs/Hunts	Photos
	Newspaper clippings
	Miscellaneous
Theatre/Cinemas	Photos
	Newspaper clippings
	Miscellaneous
	Articles and extracts
	 'Shoemaker's Window' (Play)

Folder title	Content envelopes
	 'Ramblin' Rose' (Playscript) Oversized playbill (Banbury Symphony Orchestra, 1893)
Trades 1	 Photos + 2 oversized Newspaper and magazine clippings Miscellaneous Articles and extracts Cooperative Society – photos and images Cooperative Society - miscellaneous
Trades 2	 Invoices and letterheads Advertisements 1, 2 & 3
Transport (not railways)	 Photos Newspaper clippings Miscellaneous Cycling
World War One	 Photos and images Newspaper clippings Miscellaneous Articles and extracts
World War Two 1	Photos and imagesMiscellaneousEvacuees
World War Two 2	 Newspaper clippings Articles and extracts 'Banbury at War 1939-1945' Banbury Guardian 50th anniversary supplement 4th September 1989 'The Day the War Broke Out', Oxford Mail Anniversary Extra magazine 1st September 1989.
World War Two Newspapers	 Miscellaneous newspapers February 8th 1941 – November 3rd 1942