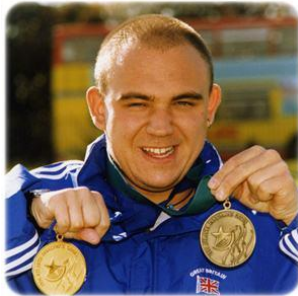


Sources for the Study of Disability History



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Kenneth Churchill gold medal winner in the Javelin Events, Paralympics in Atlanta, USA, 1996

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Painted Fabrics shop, 1920s

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Day Care Service for the Elderly and Disabled, African Caribbean Enterprise Centre, Wicker, 1996

(Sheffield Local Studies Library: S26494)

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Introduction

This booklet lists sources available within Sheffield Archives and Local Studies for the study of disability history¹ in Sheffield.

It is not a detailed history of disabilities. It merely points the reader who wishes to carry out their own research to what is available within Sheffield Libraries and Archives for further study.

It is only in recent decades that archivists and librarians have begun highlighting suitable terminology in their catalogues. Thus, while there may be many references to disability within the collections, it can be a time consuming task to find them. Considerable time is required to search records, which at first view, do not appear to contain any references to disabilities, but searching within the records may yield results. This *Study Guide* goes some way to drawing out relevant items.

As more items are catalogued and the collections are used by researchers it is likely that additional disability references will come to light. More detailed searching of our catalogues for a broad range of relevant terms may reveal additional material. It is always worth contacting the service points or checking our website for updates to this study guide.

A note on terminology: over the centuries a wide variety of terminology will have been used to describe disabilities and conditions, some of which we now perceive as negative. The terminology used in this study guide reflects that in use at the time the information was created. These may not be terms in use today.

¹ There are separate study guides for [mental health history](#) and [Painted Fabrics](#)

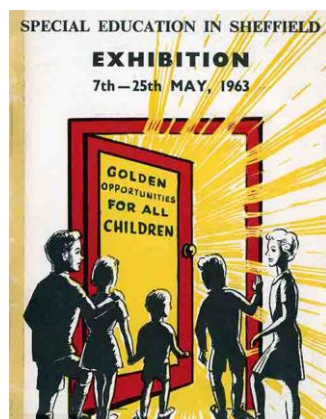
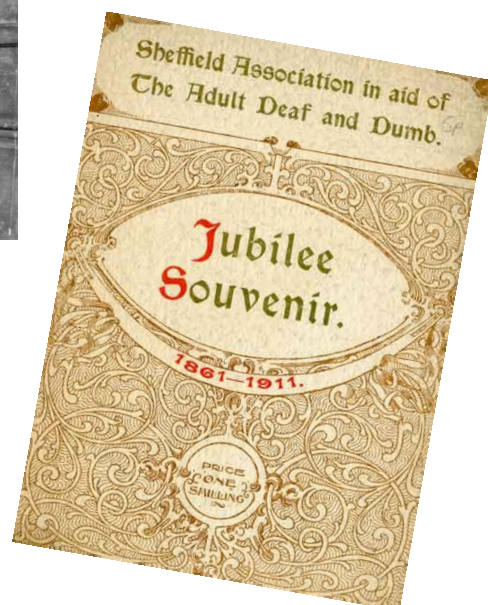
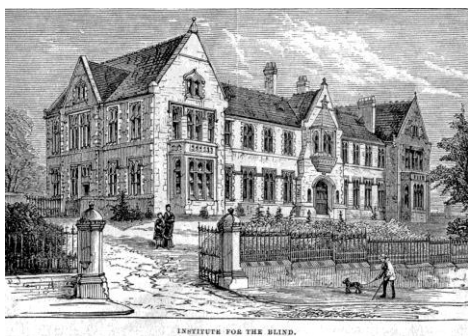
Timeline showing key dates

1388	The concept of 'deserving' and 'undeserving' poor was enshrined in the Statute of Cambridge. The old and the disabled were seen as 'deserving' of help.
1601	The Poor Law Act continued the concept of deserving and undeserving.
1760s	The country's first school for the deaf was established (in Edinburgh).
1791	The country's first school for the blind was established (in Liverpool).
1829	The Yorkshire Institution for the Deaf and Dumb was built at Doncaster (later Doncaster College for the Deaf).
1835	Yorkshire School for the Blind (in York) provided the first academic curriculum in addition to vocational training.
1851	The Government used the census to gather statistics on the numbers of blind and deaf in the UK for the first time.
1851	First educational provision for physically disabled (in London).
1860	Sheffield Institution for the Blind established.
1860	Workshops for the blind opened on West Street, Sheffield.
1861	Sheffield Association for the Adult Deaf and Dumb established.
1868	The Royal National Institute for the Blind (RNIB) established.
1872	The Ballot Act (which introduced the secret ballot) also contained provision for blind voters.
1880	School for the Mental and Industrial Training of the Young Blind opened on Manchester Road, Sheffield (later known as Sheffield School for the Blind).
1886	Sheffield Institute for the Adult Deaf and Blind opened in Charles Street.
1886	Royal Commission on [education and employment opportunities of] the Blind and Deaf.
1890	British Deaf Association established.
1893	Elementary Education (Blind and Deaf Children) Act of 1893 required School Boards to provide elementary education for the blind and deaf.
1899	Elementary Education (Defective and Epileptic Children) Act permitted school boards to provide for the education of mentally and physically defective and epileptic children.
1899	National League of the Blind and Disabled (a trade union) established.
1899	Overend Cottages, Crosspool (purpose built accommodation for blind people) opened by the Sheffield Institution for the Blind.
1904	The Yorkshire Institution for the Deaf and Dumb became the Yorkshire Institute for the Deaf.
1911	The Edgar Allen Institute for Medico-Mechanical Treatment for the benefit of working class victims of industrial accidents opened in Sheffield.

1916	King Edward VII Memorial Hospital for Crippled Children opened in Sheffield.
1918	Elementary Education (Defective and Epileptic) Act amended the 1899 Act by making education compulsory rather than permissive.
1919	A national register of the blind was established.
1920	Blind Persons Act required local authorities to provide for the welfare of blind persons. It also reduced the pensionable age for blind persons from 70 to 50.
1923	Annie Bindon Carter established Painted Fabrics Ltd in Sheffield to provide training and work for disabled ex-service men.
1930	Workshops for the Blind, Sharrow Lane, Sheffield opened.
1935	Cairn Home, Crosspool, Sheffield, opened providing residential care for elderly blind people.
1938	Blind Persons Act enabled unemployed blind people aged between 40 and 50 to be eligible for specialist provision (not subject to poor relief)
1939	Sheffield Royal Society for the Blind opened new offices and an entertainment centre at Mappin Street, Sheffield.
1941	Yorkshire Institute for the Deaf became the Yorkshire Residential School for the Deaf.
1944	Disabled Persons (Employment) Act provided training and employment facilities for the disabled.
1944	Education Act introduced selection by disability with disabled children sent to 11 types of special school depending on their impairment.
1945	The Handicapped Pupils and School Health Service Regulations defined 11 categories of school pupils: blind, partially sighted, deaf, partially deaf, delicate, diabetic, educationally subnormal, epileptic, maladjusted, physically handicapped and those with speech defects.
1946	Sheffield's open air schools renamed special schools.
1948	National Assistance Act - this allowed local authorities to establish a register of disabled persons (though it was permissive, unlike for the blind which was a requirement).
1952	The Spastics Society was set up to campaign for better education and other opportunities for people with cerebral palsy.
1954	Maud Maxfield Special School for the Deaf opened in Sheffield.
1962	Castelayn residential home opened in Sheffield.
1963	Chantrey School for the Cerebral Palsied and Oakes Park School for the Physically Handicapped opened.
1963	Special Education exhibition held in Sheffield.
1964	Handicapped Persons Centre, Psalter Lane, Sheffield opened.
1965	Disablement Income Group (DIG) established.
1970	Chronically Sick and Disabled Person Act, enabled local authorities to make provision for the disabled, including the blind, irrespective of whether they were registered or not.

1970	Education (Handicapped Children) Act 1970 - handicapped children, however serious their disability, were included in the framework of special education.
1971	Association of Disabled People (APG) established.
1972	Alf Morris MP was appointed as Britain's first Minister for Disabled People.
1974	Union of the Physically Impaired Against Segregation (UPIAS) was formed and moved the focus away from welfare towards rights.
1978	British Council of Disabled People's Organisations was set up to campaign for disabled people's rights.
1979	Opening of the hydrotherapy pool and Nursery Unit, Woolley Wood School, Sheffield.
1980	Unit for Deaf Children at Silverdale School, Sheffield, opened.
1981	The Education Act paved the way for the integration of children with 'special needs'.
1981	International Year of Disabled Persons.
1986	Disabled Persons Act strengthened the requirement of local authorities to provide for the disabled.
1990	NHS and Community Care Act - local authorities had to assess people for social care and support and then purchase such care and support from 'providers'.
1991	Disability Living Allowance and Disability Working Allowance were introduced to help pay for the extra costs disabled people incur.
1992	Sheffield's King Edward VII Orthopaedic Hospital (originally the King Edward VII Memorial Hospital for Crippled Children) closed.
1993	Special Olympics, Don Valley Stadium.
1994	The Spastics Society changed its name to Scope.
1996	The Royal Sheffield Institution for the Blind changed its name to The Sheffield Royal Society for the Blind.
1996	Disability Discrimination Act made it unlawful to discriminate on grounds of disability.
1997	Sheffield School for the Blind, Manchester Road, closed.
2000	The Disability Rights Commission established.
2001	Special Educational Needs and Disability Act extended disability discrimination legislation to education services.
2005	The Disability Amendment Act required local authorities and other bodies to promote disability equality.
2007	The UN Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities (ratified by the UK in 2010).
2010	Equality Act (this brought together the numerous anti-discriminatory Acts).

A selection of images from the collections at Sheffield Archives and Local Studies



Royal Blind School, Manchester Road, 19th cent (*Picture Sheffield s06457*); Sheffield Cripples Aid Association Convalescent Home, Loxley House, Wadsley, 1920s (*Picture Sheffield s09353*); Sheffield Association in Aid of the Adult Deaf and Dumb jubilee souvenir, 1911 (*Local Studies: 362.4 SST*); Special education exhibition, 1963 (*Picture Sheffield: y06956*) Sign language in use 1911 (*Picture Sheffield y06922*); Russian Deaf Theatre Group, Tudor Square, 1991 (*Picture Sheffield t04705*); Wheelchair Basketball at Ponds Forge, 1996 (*Picture Sheffield s27534*); Official opening of Castelayn residential home, Leighton Drive, 1962 (*Picture Sheffield: y06925*)

List of documents, books, photographs and other items available at Sheffield Libraries, Archives and Information

Newspaper reports, etc.

Relevant articles and features may appear in local newspapers. The main titles available at Sheffield Local Studies Library include: *Iris* or *Sheffield Advertiser for the Northern Counties*, 1794 - 1856; *Sheffield Daily Telegraph*, 1855 - 1986; *Sheffield Mercury*, 1807 - 1848 and the *Sheffield Independent* 1819 - 1938.

The *Sheffield Independent*, 1819 - 1900; *Sheffield Daily Telegraph* 1855 - 1903 and *Sheffield Evening Telegraph*, 1887 - 1897 are available online at www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk/

Archives of some national newspapers are available on the internet, notably *The Times* (<http://archive.timesonline.co.uk>) and *The Guardian* (<http://archive.guardian.co.uk>)

Photographs

Over 60,000 images from the Sheffield Local Studies Library photographic collection are available to search online at www.picturesheffield.com.

Workhouses, Hospitals and the National Health Service

A variety of hospitals and National Health Service trusts have provided services to the disabled for many centuries.

Sheffield Archives has records from over 50 hospitals (and workhouses), including annual reports, photographs and administrative records. The Local Studies Library will have annual reports from the various NHS Trusts.

Here are just five examples:

King Edward VII Orthopaedic Hospital, Sheffield (originally known as King Edward VII Memorial Hospital for Crippled Children), records relating to patients, staff and administration, 1916 - 1992
(*Sheffield Archives: NHS11 and CA456*)

Sheffield Health Authorities, annual reports, 1990/1 onwards
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 362.11 SQ*)

Your Guide to Local Health Services 2002-2004 (various NHS Trusts, 2002 - 2003)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: PAMP 332; MP 3568 S, MP 3569 S and MP 3697 S*)

Various NHS Trust annual reports
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 362.1 SQ*)

Edgar Allen Institute, Sheffield, records relating to patients, staff and administration, 1912 - 1985

The Edgar Allen Institute for Medico-Mechanical Treatment opened in June 1911 for the benefit of working class victims of industrial accidents.

(*Sheffield Archives: NHS18*)

For a full list of hospital records see www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/hospital-records.html

For a full list of National Health Service records see

<https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/national-health-service-nhs-records.html>

Hospital Survey: the hospital services of the Sheffield and East Midlands area
(HMSO, 1945)

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 362 SQ*)

Local Government Services

Prior to modern local government civil and ecclesiastical parishes as well as other authorities provided some services to those we would consider 'disabled' (mainly in relation to alleviating poverty). Records from local parishes and from the Town Trustees and Church Burgesses may be worth consulting.

Sheffield Town Trustees, minutes and accounts, 1566 onwards
(*Sheffield Archives: TT*)

Sheffield Church Burgesses, minutes and accounts, 1557 onwards
(*Sheffield Archives: CB*)

Parish poor law material (Overseers of the Poor accounts, settlement examination and removal orders, etc.), 17th - 19th cent

(*Sheffield Archives: PR*)

For further details on Anglican parish registers see

www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/parish-registers.html

Local Authorities have had many responsibilities over the last 100 years or so in relation to providing services and caring for the disabled, from running hospitals and schools through to a school medical service and running care homes.

Committee minutes and reports will provide information on the services provided:

- Sheffield City Council: minutes, 1864 - 1986 (*Sheffield Archives: CA-MIN*)
- Health Committee: minutes, 1849 - 1973 (*Sheffield Archives: CA-HEA*)
- Hospitals Committee minutes, 1881 - 1927 (*Sheffield Archives: CA-HTP*)

- King Edward VII Hospital Committee minutes, 1915-1926 (*Sheffield Archives: CA-EDW*)
- Children's Committee signed minutes, 1948 - 1970 (*Sheffield Archives: CA-CHD*)
- Education Committee signed minutes, 1903 onwards (*Sheffield Archives: CA-EDU*)
- Policy Committee signed minutes, 1966 - 1988 (*Sheffield Archives: CA-POL*)
- Social Services Committee minutes, 1971-1974 (*Sheffield Archives: CA-SOS*)
- Social Welfare Committee, 1942 - 1948 (*Sheffield Archives: CA-SWE*)
- Social Care Committee, 1949 - 1968 (*Sheffield Archives: CA-SCA*)
- Family and Community Services Committee, 1973 onwards (*Sheffield Archives: CA-FCO*)
- Education Committee Blind School Management sub-committee minutes, 1947 - 1973 (*Sheffield Archives: CA626*)
- Disabled Persons Welfare Sub-committee minutes, 1943 - 1957 and 1957 - 1970 (*Sheffield Archives: CA-VAC/22 and CA520/22*)

Sheffield City Council, Libraries department, files regarding the Disabled Persons (Employment) Act, 1945 - 1986

Note: access to these files is restricted. Please contact Sheffield Archives for further advice.

(*Sheffield Archives: CA990/72-73*)

Sheffield City Council, City Promotion Committee, reference to International Year of Disabled People, 1981

(*Sheffield Archives: CA-VAC/40 pages 187 and 195*)

Sheffield City Council, Family and Community Services Department, files relating to legislation on chronically sick and Disabled Person Act, 1970 - 1983

(*Sheffield Archives: CA694/12-14*)

Sheffield City Council strategy for people with disabilities, 1985/6

(*Sheffield Archives: CA-POL/19 page 366*)

Sheffield City Council, Policy Committee, resolution relating to Disabled - mobility for and road vehicles for, 1976/7

(*Sheffield Archives: CA-POL/9 pages 215, 248*)

Correspondence and registers of disabled persons employed as workmen in the City Engineer's Department, 1937 - 1970

(*Sheffield Archives: CA618/28*)

South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service minutes, reference to code of practice on Employment of people with disabilities, 1992

(*Sheffield Archives: SYJA/3/2/44a*)

Sheffield City Council, Family and Community Services Department, Community Care Plan, 1992/3

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 362 SQ*)

In addition, annual reports of the Medical Officer of Health and the Schools Medical Officer of Health will provide detailed information:

- Annual Reports of the Chief School Medical Officer, 1908 - 1972
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 371.712 S*)
- Annual Report on the Health of the City of Sheffield, 1888 - 1974;
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 352.4 SQ*)
- Annual Report of the Health Committee, 1955-1957, 1959, 1964;
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 352.4 SQ*)

Guides to Local Health and Welfare Services (Sheffield Public Health Department, 1950, 1963 and 1967). Include references to: aged and chronically sick; blindness, deafness; handicapped [disabled] occupation centres [training centres for the mentally subnormal [disabled]]; welfare of the aged etc. (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 352.4 SST; local pamphlets, vol. 234 no. 9 and vol. 314 no. 6 (042 S)*)

Education and Schools

Sheffield Archives has records from over 200 schools, including admission registers and head teachers' log books (diaries). **Note: Permission to access information in school records less than 75 years old must be obtained in writing in advance. Please contact Sheffield Archives for advice.** For a full list of school records see www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/school-records

Education was administered by School Boards (1870 - 1902) and by the Education Committee (from 1902). Minutes of these bodies will include references to provision for the disabled:

- Sheffield School Board minutes, 1870 - 1902
(*Sheffield Archives: SY350; also available at Sheffield Local Studies Library: 379.4274 S*)
- Ecclesfield School Board minutes, 1887 - 1902
(*Sheffield Archives: CA760*)
- Hunshelf School Board minutes, 1883 - 1904
(*Sheffield Archives: MD7567*)
- Sheffield Education Committee signed minutes, 1903 onwards
(*Sheffield Archives: CA-EDU*)

Below are just a few examples from the Education Committee minutes:

- Epileptics, lunatics, feeble-minded persons, memorial to Local Government Board as to, 1904/5
(*Sheffield Archives: CA-EDU/2 page 136*)

- Feeble minded children, conference of Birmingham, Leicester and Nottingham, After-care Committees, 1905/6
(*Sheffield Archives: CA-EDU/3 page 990*)
- Resolution of Birmingham City Council, as to Royal Commission on Care and Control of Feeble-Minded, 1908/9
(*Sheffield Archives: CA-EDU/45 page 461*)
- Resolutions of Halifax Town Council, as to Control of Adult Feeble-minded, 1910/11
(*Sheffield Archives: CA-EDU/49 page 185*)
- Sheffield Education Committee minutes, 1912 - 1913 [at page 7 there is reference to renting buildings from Firth Park United Methodist Chapel as a centre for physically defective children (cripple centre)]
(*Sheffield Archives: CA-EDU/10*)

Sheffield Education Committee, [annual] reports, 1909 - 1966
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 379.4274 S*)

Crippled Children's Institution, 1914 - 1915
(*Sheffield Archives: CA-MIN/53 pages 11 and 910*)

Below are three examples of schools:

Tapton Mount School

- Centenary, 1879 - 1979
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: PAMP 44 and MP 4340 M*)
- Muse, A. A., Education for the Visually Handicapped at Tapton Mount School in *Broomhill Magazine*, Jun 1981
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 280.1 S*)
- Photograph of children and teachers being presented with a cheque for £1,000 in *Avesta Sheffield News*, issue 25, 1996
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 052.74 SF*)

Maud Maxfield School

- Log books, 1922 - 1945; admission registers 1946 - 1986; other records
(*Sheffield Archives: CA35, CA682 and CA716*)
- Minutes of Trustees of Assistance Fund, 1938-1967 (access to this item is restricted for Data Protection reasons. Please contact Sheffield Archives for further advice).
(*Sheffield Archives: CA716*)
- Official opening, May 1954
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: Local pamphlets, vol. 337 (042 S)*)
- 1922 - 1972 Golden Jubilee, 1972
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 4332 M; also available at Sheffield Archives: MAU/EDUC*)
- Plans, 1947 - 1960
(*Sheffield Archives: AP/7/50*)

- Maud Maxfield School Magazine (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 373.4274 S*)
- Maud Maxfield School (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: PAMP 1104 S*)
- Burton, Hilda, *A History of East Hill House* (2005) (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 728.80942 Q*)
- Beard, C. A., Stories and plays written for the children, 1948 - 1949 (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: local pamphlets, vol. 179 no. 5 and vol. 184 no. 13 (042 S)*)
- Notes and photographs in School Health Service Report, 1954 (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 371.712 S*)
- Notes in SSCA Survey (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 720.94274 SQ*)
- Historical notes in Caledonian Newsletter, Mar 1968 (pages 2-3) (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 369 S*)
- Short descriptive article in Link, Jul 1968 (page 2) (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 280 SQ*)
- 'The provision for the education of hearing-impaired children in Sheffield' in *Special Education in Sheffield, 1973 - 1974* (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 371.94274 S*)
- BBC Radio Sheffield recording - head teacher discusses the need for strict control on standards of teaching, 1980s (*Sheffield Archives: SY425 7405/2 band 9*)
- Article on recent activities in *Spur*, Feb 1981 (page 27) (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 283.4274 S*)
- Frank Hooley, Sheffield MP, file regarding closure of the school, 1982 (*Sheffield Archives: MPB/2/31*)

Sheffield Spina Bifida School

- Details in *Look*, Jun 1969 (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 280.1 S*)
- Brief historical note in *Derbyshire Life and Countryside*, vol. 35 no. 4, 1970 (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 052.51 SQ*)
- Lorber, John, 'Potatoes and Spina Bifida' from *The Link*, Winter 1982 (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP2519 M*)

Article on open air schools in *The Sharrovian*, Aug 1917 (pages 149 - 150) (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 283.4274 S*)

Notes (and illustration of the interior) of Whiteley Woods Open Air School in Seaborne, Malcolm and Roy Lowe, *The English School: its Architecture and Organisation*, vol. 2, 1977 (*Sheffield Reference and Information Library: 727*)

Whiteley Woods Open Air School, HM Inspectors Report, 1953 (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 379.4274 SSTQ*)

Who are the delicate children now? (*Times Educational Supplement*, 1973) (*Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 625 L*)

Turner, D. A., *The Open Air School Movement in Sheffield* from 'History of Education', vol. 1 no. 1, 1972
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 371.917 S*)

Special Education in Sheffield: exhibition, 7 - 25 May 1963
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 371.9 SST*)

An interim report on the introduction of a partially hearing unit at Greystones Secondary School, Sheffield, 1967
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 372.94274 SST*)

Chantrey School for the Cerebral Palsied and Oakes Park School for the Physically Handicapped: official opening (Sheffield Education Committee, 1963)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: local pamphlets, vol. 339 (042 S)*)

National Special Schools Union (Incorporated) Sheffield Conference, 1933: official handbook
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: local pamphlets, vol. 94 no. 11 (042 S)*)

Instrument of government of a Sheffield special school (Sheffield Education Committee, 20th cent)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: local pamphlets, vol. 294 no. 5 (042 S)*)

Special Education Needs: digest of a committee of enquiry (Sheffield Education Committee, 1978)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 362.7 SSTQ*)

Special Education in Sheffield, 1973/4 - 1978/9 (National Council for Special Education)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 371.94274 S*)

Lindsey, Geoff, *Special Educational Needs Review*, 1990
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 371.9 SQ*)

Special Educational Needs in Sheffield, 1998/9 – a guide for parents and carers (Sheffield City Council, 1998)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: PAMP 1023 S*)

Ministry of Education Forms 7 (Primary and Secondary), 7M (Special Schools) and 11 (Nursery); returns of statistics of pupils (by sex and age group) on the school register. There is one form for each school each year, 1949 - 1960
(*Sheffield Archives: CA356*)

Development plan for primary and secondary schools (including provision for special educational treatment): Education Acts 1944 and 1946 (Sheffield Education Committee, c. 1947)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 379.4274 SQ*)

Frost, C. L., *Special Education in Sheffield: report on provisions for Special Educational Treatment in Sheffield prepared in April 1971 by C. L. Frost. Ll. B. Adviser in Primary and Special Education, with material on some of the special schools and units provided specially for this purpose by heads of those schools* (Sheffield Education Committee, 1971)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 371.9 SST*)

Special educational needs: report of the enlarged Special Education Working Party, set up by the Sheffield Education Committee, on the 1978 Warnock Enquiry into the Education of Handicapped Children and Young People (Sheffield Education Committee, 1980)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 371.9 SSTQ*)

A proposed new funding formula for Sheffield special schools (Sheffield Education Department, 1998)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 379.1226 SSTQ*)

Daker, Maxine, *Wadsley Bridge Council School, 1906-1939: Wadsley Bridge Special School, 1945-1974: Beeley Wood Secondary School, 1974-1989* (1989)
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 372.4274 SQ*)

Woolley Wood School official opening of the hydrotherapy pool and Nursery Unit by The Prime Minister (The Rt. Hon. James Callaghan MP), Feb 1979
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: PAMP 58/1 and MP 3769 S*)

Sheffield Education Week: handbook and programme, Oct 1927
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 379.4274 SST*)

[Miscellaneous items used for a display about Highfield Special School]
(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 1687 L*)

Census returns

These list every resident by household and include names, relationships, occupations, ages and birth places and (for some years) whether blind or deaf, etc., every 10 years from 1841 through to 1911. They are available to view for free at every Sheffield library and at Sheffield Archives via www.Ancestry.com

Returns for institutions (such as residential schools and workhouses) may list individual residents, e.g. St John's Institution for the Deaf and Blind in Handsworth Woodhouse on the 1871 census.

General works

Harthill, All Hallows burial register, an entry for April 1676 records the burial of a stranger, 'being lame, was carried from cunstable to cunstable towards his owne, died and was buried'

(Sheffield Archives: PR47/1/3)

Accounts of Sir Richard Hawkesworth as Treasurer for the lame soldiers (for the West Riding), 1638

(Sheffield Archives: WWM/Br P/200/1-6)

Discharge of a fine of £20 on Sir Richard Hawksworth for (initially) not accepting the post of Treasurer for Lame Soldiers, c. 1638

(Sheffield Archives: WWM/Br P/200/6)

Sheffield Town Trustees accounts include references to maimed soldiers, c. 1566 onwards

(Sheffield Archives: TT/4/1/1)

Warrant from the High constable to constables and churchwardens to levy a rate for lame soldiers and a house of correction in Strafforth and Tickhill wapentakes, with a list of assessments of each parish, 17 Mar 1673

(Sheffield Archives: CB/592)

Trade Directories provide names of relevant societies and charities.

An example is White's directory of Sheffield, 1868 which refers to the Institution for the Blind on West Street (page 23)

A full list of trade directories is available: www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives-and-local-studies/collections/trade-directories.html. Some directories are available to view online: www.historicaldirectories.org

Sheffield Red Books (from 1863) and Blue Books (from 1907) (directories) also provide details of societies and charities

(Sheffield Local Studies Library: 032.74 S)

Sheffield Local Register, a detailed diary of local events in the 19th century, may also be worth consulting

(Sheffield Local Studies Library and Sheffield Archives: CD-ROM)

Sheffield City Council special fund for the provision of orthopaedic treatment for men disabled by war service, 1918 - 1927

(Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 2379 S)

Welfare of handicapped persons [brief description of the facilities offered throughout the city] (Sheffield Health Committee, 1962)

(Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 1121 M)

Official opening of Castelayn, (Sheffield Social Care Committee, 1962)

(Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 1178 S)

Notes on the University Congenital Abnormalities Research Unit for treatment and research on spina bifida and hydrocephalus in *University of Sheffield Gazette*, no. 48, Nov 1968

(Sheffield Local Studies Library: 378.4274 SQ)

Photograph and brief details on the presentation to the Spina Bifida School of a coach by the Variety Club of Great Britain in *Derbyshire Life and Countryside*, vol. 35 no. 3, 1970

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 052.51 SQ*)

Article on the facilities for the care of handicapped children in *Sheffield Forward*, vol. 8, pages 4-5, 1970

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 331.88 SF*)

Grant, Linda, *Disability and Debt - The Experience of Disabled People in Debt*

(Sheffield Citizens Advice Bureaux Debt Support Unit, 1995)

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 362.4 SQ*)

Debt and Disability Project: May 1997 to April 2000 report (Sheffield Citizens Advice Bureaux. Debt Support Unit, 2001)

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 5685 M*)

(DIG) Disablement Income Group (Disablement Income Group, 1980)

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 3582 M*)

What's going on ... [information newsletter for parents of children with a disability]

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 5718 M*)

Campbell, Sue Maynard, *Are you being served? A guide for disabled people in Sheffield to their rights of access to goods, facilities and services under the Disability Discrimination Act 1995* (2001)

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 362.1 SQ and MP 5689 M*)

Bashir, Sajida, *Planning and Commissioning Disability Services for Black and Ethnic Minority Adults with Disabilities* (2000)

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: 362.4 SSTQ*)

Griffiths, Judy, "Finding Our Voice" : a national event for family carer representatives on local learning disability partnership boards (2004)

(*Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 5658 M*)

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