



Aerial photo of Dún Laoghaire c. 1930s

Other local history research collections include St Michael's Church Collection, The Ken Finlay Collection, The Veronica Heywood Collection, and Scotts Footwear Collection. dlr Lexlcon has also begun an oral history programme, capturing further contextual information about these important collections and to ensure that local memory is recorded and preserved for posterity.

David Gunning is the Archivist in Residence at dlr Lexlcon. He studied English and History in Trinity before completing the MA in Archives and Records Management in UCD. Before commencing work at dlr Lexlcon, David gained a variety of archival work experience in religious, educational, and digital archives. He also serves as moderator for the Irish Archives Resource (www.iar.ie) He has a great interest in the built heritage and history of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown and works as a tour guide for the DLR Summer of Heritage programme. He lives in Ballinteer.



The collections held at dlr Lexlcon are open to researchers by appointment. As the Archivist in Residence processes and catalogues collections, they will become available for consultation. If you have any enquiries, please contact dgunning@dlrcoco.ie.

Local Studies Collections and Local History Societies

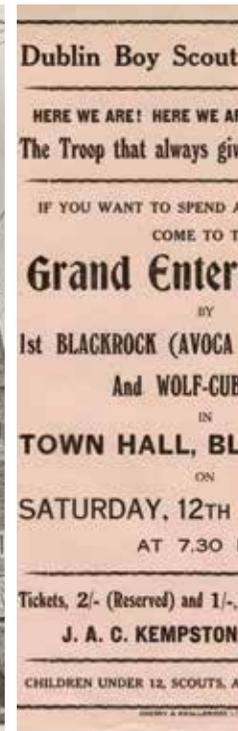
Sunday 7 October 2018 dlr Lexlcon, Studio Theatre

We are delighted to announce this seminar event, the first of what will be an ongoing series of collaborations between archivists and local historians throughout the country. Have you a collection of material that you feel may be of interest to your local archive or library? Would you like to know more about preparing it for donation? Find out more about this event organised by dlr Lexlcon in association with the Federation of Local History Societies and the Local Government Archivists and Records Managers.

FREE EVENT but booking essential on eventbrite.ie. Search Local Studies & Local History Societies.

10.30am	Registration. Tea and Coffee
11.00am	Welcome to dlr Lexlcon. Marian Thérèse Keyes, Senior Executive Librarian
11.05am	Introduction with Pádraig Laffan. Pádraig is the Chairperson of the Federation of Local History Societies
11.20-11.50	Local Authority Archive Services An Introduction with Martin Morris. Martin Morris is the Archivist in Longford County Council and Chair of the Local Government Archivists and Records Managers (LGARM).
11.50-12.20	Preparing Your Collection for Donation David Gunning is the Archivist in Residence at dlr Lexlcon
12.20-12.40	Case Study: Finding a Home for your Collection Liam Clare is a local historian and member of Foxrock Local History Club. He has written and lectured widely and is a post-graduate of NUI Maynooth's Studies in Local History programme.
12.40-1.00	Q&A
1.00-2.00	Lunch and Discussion. View exhibitions in dlr Lexlcon
2.00-2.30	F.M. O'Flanagan, recorder of Dalkey - a local historian's collection at dlr Lexlcon David Gunning is the Archivist in Residence at dlr Lexlcon
2.30-3.00	Recording Local History at dlr Lexlcon with Sarah Greene Sarah is a Tour Guide and Oral Historian. A graduate of the Lord Mayor's Certificate in Oral History (2016), she recently interviewed Con Enright, donor of the Dún Laoghaire Cycling Week Collection
3.00-3.30	dlr Local History Case Study: The Oratory, Dominican Convent, with Liz Pilkington Liz Pilkington is a Tour Guide and Oral Historian. A graduate of the Lord Mayor's Certificate in Oral History (2017), her research project focused on the Oratory in the grounds of the former Dominican Convent, Dún Laoghaire.
3.30-3.50	Q&A

Images front cover L to R: Dalkey Street scene 1960s; Sea swimmer 1943; St Michael's church fire 1965; Blackrock Boy Scout Association 1919



Research Collections at dlr Lexlcon

Recording and Preserving our County's Past

To collect, maintain, preserve and make available material and online resources pertaining to the history and heritage of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown and to encourage greater public and community awareness and understanding of the County's rich culture and traditions.

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Library Services Local History Guidelines 2015-2019





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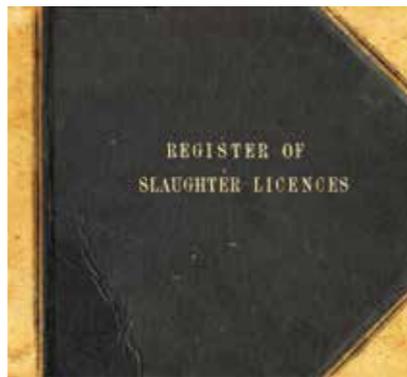


Pavilion Theatre c.1910

Archives are records generated as a product of legal, commercial, administrative and social activities that are appraised as having continuing value and selected for permanent preservation.

The Research Collections at dlr Lexlcon contain material relating to local government and library administration within what was formerly called the Borough of Dún Laoghaire. These records include correspondence, minute books, registers, reports, legal documents, maps, plans, and drawings that provide evidence of the history and development of modern Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

The Research Collections at dlr Lexlcon include a range of acquisitions relating to individuals, communities and institutions within Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown and they are located on Level 5 of dlr Lexlcon. At present there are over forty diverse collections made up of materials including artwork, artefacts, ephemera, photographs, playbills, posters and textiles. These collections represent the wide and varied history and activities of the county, from art, architecture and education to cycling, sailing, and swimming.



The following pages show a selection of some of the material currently being catalogued, preserved and digitised.

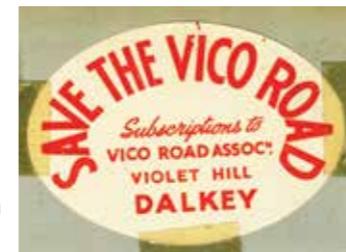
The Charles Hamilton Oswald Collection

A large collection of nineteenth century photographic plates showing scenes from Kingstown and surrounds. A number of the images depict vessels at sea. Collected by Charles Hamilton Oswald and donated by his family in 2018.



F.M. O'Flanagan – Recorder of Dalkey Collection

Frank Milo O'Flanagan was a Dalkey resident and founding member of many local clubs and associations including the Dalkey Literary, Historical and Debating Society. The collection features material relating to his research and publications as well as documents concerning local clubs including The Vico Road Association and the Dalkey Development Association.



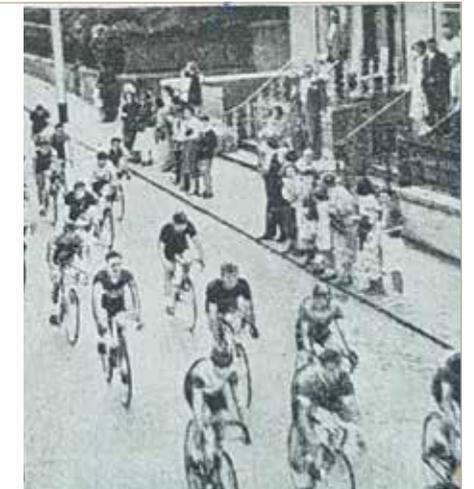
Christ the King Collection

The papers of the Christ the King Committee document the commissioning of the controversial statue by Irish-American sculptor Andrew O'Connor. This comprehensive collection includes correspondence, minutes, financial records, and legal documents. The Christ the King collection also includes photographs, newspaper clippings, and promotional materials.



Dún Laoghaire Cycling Week Collection

A collection of photographs, minute books, and pamphlets relating to Dún Laoghaire Cycling Week, held in the local area during the mid-twentieth century. This collection also includes film recordings of various events held during Cycling Week. This collection is supplemented by an oral history interview with Con Enright, participant in Cycling Week and donor of the material.



The Charles Stanley Cuthbert World War One Diary

This diary chronicles the wartime experiences of Charles Stanley Cuthbert, a soldier who saw active service with the Machine Gun Corps and wrote up a WWI account after he returned from the Western Front. He worked for Guinness and eventually became a manager at the Hop Store in Dublin. He resided in the Dún Laoghaire Borough in later years.

