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Form**Fonds title**

County of Renfrew (First District)

**Date(s)**

1888 - 1974

**Level of description**

fonds

**Extent and  
medium**

volumes, loose papers. 11.5 l.m.

**Name of creator**

The First District Council of the County of Renfrew

**Administrative/  
biographical  
history**

Renfrew County Council was established by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, taking over powers from the Commissioners of Supply, County Road Trust and other local authorities. The County Council was abolished in 1975 by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1973, becoming part of Strathclyde Regional Council.

The First District, also known as the "Upper District of the County of Renfrew", was a subdivision of the County. Districts were established by the 1929 Local Government (Scotland) Act. They assumed the assets and responsibilities of the former Parish Councils.

N.b.: NOT to be confused with the second tier local authority which existed from 1974 to 1996

**Archival history**

These archives were held by the successor Council and at some point were transferred to East Renfrewshire Council's Libraries Local Studies Section, where they were held at "the Bothy" in Eastwood Park and at the Neilston Leisure Centre.

Several series, in particular the District Committee records, were held in GCA boxes and were presumably held there for some part of the 1970s and 1980s

**Immediate  
source of  
acquisition**

The records were transferred to the archives via:  
Accession 2006/02 - Neilston Leisure Centre (ERC Libraries) - Minutes, Public Assistance Records;  
Accessions 2007/01 and 2007/05 - Bothy, Eastwood Park - Scavenging, Water &

**Appraisal, destruction  
and scheduling info.**

All records which transferred to the archives have been retained, except for some minor district committee records, duplicate accounts, and unsorted correspondence.

**Accruals**

No further accruals are expected.

**System of  
Arrangement**

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1 Clerk  
1.1 Minutes Books  
1.2 Signed Minutes  
1.3 Minor Committee Records  
1.4 District Council motions book  
1.5 Letter Books  
1.6 Correspondence folder  
1.7 Published records  
1.8 Town Clerk Misc.  
1.9 Photographs  
2 Public Assistance Records  
2.1 Index  
2.2 Historical Registers

**Conditions  
governing access**

There is a 75 year closure period on poor relief records

**Conditions governing  
reproduction**

Contact Records Manager

**Language of material**

English

**Physical  
characteristics and  
technical requirements**

bound volumes, files and loose papers

**Finding Aids**

An item level list has been prepared and is searchable on the archives database.

**Allied materials**

The records of the County of Renfrew are at Glasgow City Archives.