THE CRIME AND PUNISHMENT COLLECTIONS NETWORK

Crime and Punishment Collections Network Directory

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Anglesey Museums and Culture Service is responsible for 7 museums and sites on the island, including Beaumaris Gaol and Courthouse. The Courthouse in Beaumaris dates back to 1614 and, although alterations were made during the 19th century, it has retained most of its former character. It is also still used as a magistrates court on occasion. Beaumaris Gaol was used as a prison from 1829 to 1878. It was then used as a police station until the 1950s and opened as a museum in 1978. Much of the building remains unchanged and is also home to the only treadwheel in Britain still in position.

April – September 10:30 – 17:00 (Closed Fridays)
October 10:30 – 17:00 (Open half term and every weekend)

Buxton Museum & Art Gallery

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The Derbyshire Police Collection was acquired by Derbyshire County Council in 2004 as a gift from Derbyshire Constabulary and has been added to since. The collections are stored at Buxton Museum and Art Gallery and are displayed in temporary exhibitions at the museum and at libraries and other public venues in Derbyshire. A Norton police motorbike is on permanent display at the museum.

The Derbyshire Police Collection consists of around 500 objects, including crime-related material and police equipment, 700 photographs, 32 square metres of uniform and 500 books. The Collection spans nearly 200 years of policing in Derbyshire.

No records held. Enquiries referred to Derbyshire Constabulary and Derbyshire Record Office.

Centre for Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Hull

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Dartmoor Prison Museum

Representative: Brian Dingle
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Brief Description: Lots of items drawn together and put on public display in one of the old prison estate buildings. Most of the items are specific to Dartmoor, but not all.

Family History Resources: Unable to help with many family history enquiries due to lack of records.

Devon & Cornwall Police Historic Collections

Representative: Angela Sutton-Vane
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Website: The Friends of the Collection: http://www.fdcchl.org.uk/

Brief Description: The Historic Collections of Devon & Cornwall Police are currently in safe storage at Okehampton Police Station in Devon and cared for by a part-time professional curator and team of volunteers. In addition, some of the volunteers have formed a Friends Group in order to provide independent support. It is not a formal collection for the force, but contains an eclectic and fascinating informal array of uniforms, ephemera, equipment, photographs and records from the 1850s to the present day, reflecting not only the formation and administration of Devon & Cornwall Police and its constituent forces, but what individual police officers have perceived to be important enough to save. Although (for funding and security reasons) we are not open to the public we are always happy to undertake research on request and we have just secured a Heritage Lottery Fund grant to begin the long-awaited process to secure the future of the collection and make it more accessible.

Edge Hill University History Department

Representative: Dr Alyson Brown
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Other Staff: Prof Clive Emsley, Prof Peter King, Dr Paul Lawrence, Dr John Carter Wood

Brief Description: The ECSP has been in existence as a research group within the History Department since 1990, headed by Professor Clive Emsley. As well as a regular research seminar on the history of policing in Britain and beyond, we have carried out a succession of projects researching this topic. One focus has been on access to the records of British police forces. The *Guide to the Archives of the Police Forces of England and Wales* (written by Clive Emsley and Ian Bridgeman) is online on our website, alongside the bibliography of British police history which we maintain there.

Resources: We hold a number of police-related archives, including the papers of Eric St Johnston (HMIC), various miscellaneous police papers, the archives of the Association of Chief Police Officers, oral history material collected by members of the Police History Society, and a run of Metropolitan Police Orders. We are in the process of listing this material. We also have a collection of secondary material (incl. Police Journal, The Job, reference works) and a number of films from the City Police Film Unit.

Friends of Metropolitan Police Heritage Centre

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Brief Description: A support group who are keen on police history and a willing band of volunteers who assist the regular staff in updating and cataloguing the records. Membership fees and donations are used to purchase items of interest for the Collection and to
produce a quarterly Newsletter and annual magazine-style publication.

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Institution: Galleries of Justice
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Other Staff: Stuart Berry – Learning and Access Manager

Brief Description: The Galleries of Justice Museum consists of Nottingham’s Grade II* listed Shire Hall, County Gaol and County Police headquarters. The Trust has two divisions which work in partnership. The Galleries of Justice Museum represents and interprets the social history of crime and punishment through its exhibitions and tours. The National Centre for Citizenship and the Law (NCCL) aims to create social change through learning about the law. The NCCL works with over 15,000 children per year in Nottingham and now has centres as part of the Public Legal Education Syndicates across the East Midland and in London and Manchester.

Resources: Major collections include: the HM Prison Service Collection, the Ross Simms Police Collection, the Bramshill Truncheon Collection and the Rainer Foundation Archive.

Institution: Glasgow Police Museum
Representative: Alastair Dinsmor
Position: Chairman
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Website: www.policemuseum.org.uk
Other Staff: Joe Craig (Research)

Brief Description: The museum of the Glasgow Police (UK’s first police force 1800-1975). It consists of two Historical Rooms with artefacts and text/photograph boards. The International Room has over 6000 international police uniforms/headgear/badges from EVERY country in the World. ADMISSION FREE.

Resources: Archive ; Photographic Collection ; Historical Talks (outreach)

Institution: Greater Manchester Police Museum & Archives
Representative: Duncan Broady
Position: Curator
Address: 57a, Newton Street, Northern Quarter, Manchester M1 1ET
Tel:
Resources:
The Museum holds an extensive document, object and image archive with public access via our new search room. The archive is mostly used for family history enquiries, film, TV and student research and Alien Register enquiries (we hold City of Salford registers 1914-1960s). Education (all key stages) and privately-booked tours, either general or topic-focused.; talks; events / activities / on-site retail and information point.
The museum is open to visitors every Tuesday. Other weekdays for organised groups. Archive appointments can be made on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. All groups and archive appointments are subject to availability and must be booked in advance.

Inverary Jail
Institution: Inverary Jail
Representative: Gavin Dick
Position: Manager
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Website: www.inverarayjail.co.uk
Brief Description: Fully restored but original courtroom with models showing 15 man jury; two prisons and airing yards; Black Maria, originally used at Craiginches Prison, Aberdeen; crank machine; whipping table (replica); wooden beds and hammocks; handcuffs, shackles, straight jacket, convict’s uniform; medical artefacts
Resources: Miscellaneous collection of 19th century artefacts in store as opposed to the above, which are all available to the viewing public as part of the Inverary Jail attraction.

The Judge’s Lodging
Institution: The Judge’s Lodging
Representative: Gabrielle Rivers
Position: Curator
Address: Broad Street, Presteigne, Powys, Mid Wales. LD8 2AD
Victorian courtroom and lavish judge’s lodgings restored to their former grandeur with much original furniture and fittings. Grand rooms for the circuit judges complement the dingy service areas and damp cells. An audio tour and guidebook describing the lives of the Victorian judges and their households accompanies visitors. Supporting exhibitions on the town, the former county of Radnorshire and the Radnorshire Constabulary. In addition to the furnishings, collections include objects from the court and the local police plus a substantial local history collection. Used by the magistrates until 1990, the building opened to the public as a museum in 1997 and still hosts some prestigious local ceremonies such as the Installation of the High Sheriff of Powys.

Resources:

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Institution: Metropolitan Police Crime Museum
Representative: Paul Bickley
Position: Curator
Address: Crime Museum, New Scotland Yard, 10 Broadway, London, SW1H OBG
Tel: 0207 2304398
Email: crimemuseum@met.police.uk
Website: The Crime Museum is not open to the public but has organised tours at 11:00, 13:30 or 15:00 on weekdays.

Brief Description: The museum was originally set up in 1875 so that police officers could see the weapons and tools carried by criminals. The present museum contains an extensive collection of weapons, all of which have been used in murders or serious assaults in London. There are displays from famous cases, such as Crippen, Christie and Dennis Nilsen, as well as more recent crimes such as armed robbery and terrorism. Death masks of people hanged at Newgate Prison adorn a high shelf and look down upon visitors.

Institution: Metropolitan Police Heritage Centre
Representative: Neil Paterson
Position: Manager
Address: Empress State Building, Empress Approach, Lilie Rd,
Tel: 0207 161 1234  
Email: Heritagecentre@met.police.uk  
Website: www.met.police.uk/history/archives.htm  
Opening hours: The Heritage Centre is open weekdays to the public between 10am – 4pm. No admission charges and conducted tours for small groups can be given.

Brief Description: The Heritage Centre includes old artefacts, medals and uniform. The Centre also has an extensive image collection and historical records and is able to advise researchers and trace genealogical records relating to retired officers. It is also the outlet for Met Gifts.

Institution: Ministry of Justice Library
Representative: Kathy Turner  
Position: MoJ Librarian  
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Brief Description: The Ministry of Justice Library opened in December 2008, combining the collections from the former Department of Constitutional Affairs Library with the parts of the Home Office Library which covered the criminal justice system and all aspects of offender management. It provides free services to Ministry of Justice staff and to its sponsored bodies who do not have their own library service.

Resources: The collection comprises books, pamphlets, periodicals, circulars and some statistics. The principle subjects covered are: law, constitutional reform, electoral reform, criminal justice, offender management, probation, prisons, penology and mental disorders. Inter-library loans can be arranged at the discretion of the librarian.

Institution: National Police Library
Representative: Patricia Hughes  
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Website: www.college.police.uk/library  
Brief Description: The National Police Library maintains the UK's most comprehensive collection of policing literature and provides a range of services and resources designed to meet the information needs of today's police service.

Resources: Subject coverage includes all aspects of policing – police science, criminal justice, legislation, training, management and social sciences. The Library catalogue is available online to individuals via the website. Access to the collection may be granted to private researchers subject to certain conditions,
details of which are available on the website. Special collections include Police Review (1893-), Police Journal (1928-) and the Police and Constabulary Almanac (1858-).

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**Old Police Cells Museum**

Institution: Old Police Cells Museum

Representative: Holly Parsons

Position: Volunteer

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Website: [http://www.oldpolicecellsmuseum.org.uk/index.aspx](http://www.oldpolicecellsmuseum.org.uk/index.aspx)

Opening Hours: April – October, Mon – Sat: 10:30 – 12:30. Open during the winter season on Saturdays and for school half terms.

Brief Description: The Old Police Cells Museum for Sussex Police is housed in the basement of Brighton Town Hall dating back to 1830. It offers displays on the policing of Sussex since the 1830s, with a focus on Brighton. The museum includes four female and nine male cells where uniforms, truncheons, photographs and police equipment can all be viewed. There are additional activities including crime scene, dress-up uniforms, lock-up area and photo fit kits. Visitors can also view the original well from the time of the 14th century monastery on the site and sub-basement which was originally also part of the police station.

Resources: The Cells are part of the Heritage Learning programme with Brighton and Hove Museums to increase school tour footfall. This has included school tours training and the tours include special activities. The Cells are also used regularly by paranormal and ghost investigation groups and the site has recently become a licensed venue for weddings and civil ceremonies.

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**Oxford Castle Unlocked**

Institution: Oxford Castle Unlocked

Representative: Helen de May

Position: Learning & Access Officer

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Website: [www.oxfordcastleunlocked.co.uk](http://www.oxfordcastleunlocked.co.uk)

Brief Description: Oxford Castle Unlocked tells the story of Oxford Castle and Prison, the county gaol from the 13th century to the end of the 20th. The site features St George's Tower and the mound which date from the 11th century, the 18th century D-wing and Debtor’s Tower built to William Blackburn’s design and the 19th century A-wing modelled on Pentonville. Visitors to the site will be taken through to its 1000 year history; the many colourful characters and stories linked to the site will bring this history to life within the buildings which witnessed them. Opened May 2006.

Resources: The site includes an education centre. The artefacts are the
buildings themselves, although the site has access to material recovered from relevant excavations held by the Oxfordshire Museums Service.

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Institution: Police History Society
Type: Academic or specialist network
Subject area: Police history
Representative: Martin Stallion
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Email: info@policehistorysociety.co.uk
Website: www.policehistorysociety.co.uk
Other contact: Mike McCulloch, Museums Secretary
Brief description: Registered charity aiming to advance public education in police history, with membership open to any individual or non-profit organization with an interest in the subject. Specific objects include acting as a network and promoting interest in police history through talks, meetings and by encouraging and publishing research.
Activities: Annual conference; Research grants; Museums Section; museum visits
Publications: Journal (annual); members' Newsletter (3 a year); Museums Section newsletter (occasional); Police history monographs (occasional)
Resources: Members have a wide range of interests and knowledge which is regularly used to answer enquiries. We provide general advice on family history and other research but hold no police force or other records and enquirers are referred to the appropriate force or record office.

Institution: Prison Service College Library
Representative: Catherine Fell
Position: Librarian
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Email: Catherine.fell@noms.gsi.gov.uk
Other Staff: Dot Jeffcott (Library Assistant)
Brief Description: The Prison Service College library provides a library and information service, free of charge, to all staff working in prison establishments. It also provides Prison Service related information to other parts of the criminal justice system and to other organisations.
Resources: A collection of books, pamphlets and periodicals, the main areas of interest being prisons, penology, criminology, mental health, psychology, management and training. The library also holds a reference collection of 19th century reports, including Reports of the Commissioners of Prisons (1878 to the present day equivalent), Reports of the Inspectors of Prisons (1837-1878) and Reports of the Directors of Convict Prisons (1851-1891). Inter-library loans can be arranged at the discretion of
the librarian, whilst the library can be made available to bona
fide researchers, for reference use only. Written applications
should be sent to the librarian.

Family History
Resources:
We do not hold any prisoner or personnel records. The vast
majority of family history enquiries will be referred to county
record offices.

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Institution: Radzinowicz Library, Institute of Criminology, University
of Cambridge
Representative: Stuart Stone
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Website: www.crim.cam.ac.uk/library
Other staff: Alison Chew (Deputy Librarian)
Brief Description: An academic library housing the most comprehensive
criminology collection in the United Kingdom and
internationally recognised as a world-class criminal justice
resource.
Resources: Around 65,000 books covering a wide range of disciplines,
including criminology; forensic psychology and psychiatry;
prisons and penology; policing; human rights; sociology; social
policy and welfare; and research methodology. The stock
includes extensive collections of ‘grey’ material, historical
works and UK government publications. Periodical stock of
over 500 titles including over 200 active subscriptions. Also
around 20,000 pamphlets and a broad collection of annual
reports from criminal justice and human rights organisations,
and UK government agencies including prison and police
inspection reports.

Family History
Resource:

Institution: Ripon Museum Trust
Representative: Sue Dalton
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Website: www.riponmuseums.co.uk
Brief Description: The Trust runs three museums: the Prison & Police Museum,
the Workhouse Museum and the Courthouse Museum under
the overall title of Ripon Museums. The Prison & Police
Museum is the de facto museum for North Yorkshire Police,
West Yorkshire Police, South Yorkshire Police and
Humberside Police, and houses collections covering Yorkshire in particular. The Workhouse Museum deals with life in workhouses in Yorkshire and publishes fact sheets on the former Union Workhouses in Yorkshire. The Courthouse Museum deals with the administration of justice in the former Ripon Quarter Sessions, Petty Sessions and Ripon Liberty Court. The Prison & Police Museum is housed in the former Ripon Liberty Prison (1818-1878), which was also the Police Station (1878-1959). The Workhouse Museum is housed in part of the former Ripon Union Workhouse; the Courthouse Museum is housed in the former Ripon Liberty Court.

### RUC George Cross Foundation

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- **Website:** http://rucgcfoundation.org

**Brief Description:** The Foundation was created to mark the sacrifices and honour the achievements of the Royal Ulster Constabulary GC. It is responsible for the RUC GC Garden, a bursary fund which is available to serving members of the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI), the provision of a new police museum and other activities in pursuit of its purpose.

**Resources:** Through its links to the existing museum, it has access to expertise of policing in Ireland and its contribution to policing worldwide. There is an extensive collection of books, weapons and other items relating to policing in Ireland.

### Ruthin Gaol

- **Representative:** Stephen Harber
- **Position:** Museum Manager
- **Address:** Yr Hen Garchar, 46, Clwyd Street, Ruthin, LL15 1HP
- **Tel:** 01824 708281 / 01824 708218
- **Email:** gaol.reception@denbighshire.gov.uk
- **Website:** www.denbighshire.gov.uk/heritage

**Other Staff:** Margaret Barr, Stephen Harber, Ruth Moore Williams, Emma Bunbury – Heritage Assistants.

**Brief Description:** One of North Wales’ most fascinating buildings, from 1654-1916 thousands of prisoners passed through its gates. The attraction concentrates on prison life in the 19th century and has an excellent example of a Pentonville-style prison block. (Advertising leaflet available)

**Resources:** Opening times: April-September 10:00 to 17:00 Wed – Mon, incl Bank Holidays and October half-term. Multi-media presentations, model of Gaol, children’s and school activities, education and group bookings, audio guide and guide books available.
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Institution: Tolhouse Gaol, Great Yarmouth
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Other staff: Jo O’Donoghue, Curator
Colin Stott, Learning Manager
Brief Description: 12th Century medieval former merchant’s house which became one of the Eastern region’s most important civic buildings. Former court house and Admiralty Court with 18th century cells. Interprets the story of crime and punishment at Great Yarmouth in one of England’s oldest prisons.
Resources: Part of Norfolk Museums Service / Cultural Services Department. Archive / Gaol records, photographic collection; historical artefacts / Talks (outreach)

U
Institution: University of Edinburgh, Economic & Social History
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W
Institution: Wandsworth Prison Museum
Representative: Stewart McLaughlin
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Email: wandsworthprisonmuseum@hmps.gsi.gov.uk
Website: wandsworthprisonmuseum@hmps.gsi.gov.uk
Brief Description: The Wandsworth Prison Museum was opened by HRH Prince Michael of Kent in 2008. It was born out of the prison’s 150 year celebrations in 2001. Although much historical material had been transferred to other museums over the years, these
institutions had closed and it was difficult to direct interested persons to any depository of the gaols’ history.

The Wandsworth Prison Museum remains a permanent collection housed in a small building next to the former Governor’s House.

The collection, albeit small, covers 150 years of the prisons history, covering the building of the prison, its development, prisoners (from Oscar Wilde to James Earl Ray), staff, capital punishment, war, industries, to name a few themes.

Resources: The Museum is staffed on a volunteer basis. There is a very small paperwork archive of mostly copied documents and a few items held in a reserve stock.

Other information: Visits can only be arranged by appointment.

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Institution: York Museums Trust

Representative: Gwendolen Whitaker

Position: Curator of History

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Tel: 01904 687687

Email: Gwendolen.whitaker@ymt.org.uk

Website: www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk

Brief Description: Although, primarily a museum of social history covering the period 1600 to the present day, we are housed in two 18th century prison buildings. York Castle was the county gaol for the county of Yorkshire, housing felons and debtors, until its closure in 1900.

Resources: We have some records and objects relating to the prison history including gaol calendars, execution broadsheets, restraints etc. Many of the original features can still be seen in the buildings including the padded cel. We also have a small collection relating to the history of the police. This mainly consists of our collection of over 200 truncheons.