U DBE Records of the Beverley Minster 1964-1987 Open Space Campaign

Historical background:

The campaign to preserve the open space to the south of Beverley Minster began in the late 1970s. It followed the circulation by the Chief Planning Officer of Beverley Borough Council, Deryck Solman, of a draft development brief for the St Andrew Street/Lurk Lane area of the town in March 1976. Although the document recognised the value of the site, which was partly within the Beverley Conservation Area, the consultation process which began in April highlighted a number of contentious issues. Consultees ranging from the Minster Residents' Association and Beverley and District Civic Society, to the Director of Planning of Humberside County Council, objected principally to Mr Solman's assumption of the need for extensive demolition of properties in the area and the expansion of housing development to the west of Lurk Lane, encroaching onto a stretch of land designated as Public Open Space by the Beverley and District Development Map. Originally the location of the Minster Boys' School, this site was purchased from the York Diocesan Board of Finance Limited by the Borough Council in September 1975 for the sum of £4000, on the understanding that it would be utilised for open space purposes. In response to the brief, a report by students of Hull School of Architecture was produced for the Civic Society which favoured the creation of a Housing Action Area in St Andrew Street/Lurk Lane, combining both rehabilitation and selective demolition and rebuilding of existing housing [U DBE/1/5-6 13, 18; U DBE/2/7].

As long ago as 1961 however, the Borough Council had resolved that housing conditions in St Andrew Street/Lurk Lane were such that this course of action would be 'undesirable and uneconomic' and that the choice was therefore between demolition and clearance or redevelopment of the area. The establishment of the St Andrew Street Development Co-operative Limited (SASDC) in 1977 indicated that residents preferred the latter option and the Design Unit at York University was commissioned by the Co-operative in July of that year to undertake a feasibility study. It was from this study by David Crease that the controversial development scheme emerged which involved the expansion of housing west of Lurk Lane, necessitating the purchase of the Minster school site from the Council. SASDC paid £40,500 for the property in October 1979 and in August of the following year submitted an outline planning application for Phase I of the project, incorporating residential development of the site by Stepney Developments Limited. After consultation, outline planning permission was granted by the Council on 23 October 1980, in spite of opposition by such councillors as David Barley and William Hamilton, and the emergence of a compromise solution on 20 October suggested by Sir Hugh Wilson and William Whitfield of the Royal Fine Art Commission [U DBE/1/6, 8, 19; U DBE/14/1].

It was at this point that objectors to the development plans began to co-ordinate their opposition, resulting in the formation of a new campaign group, the Beverley Heritage Alliance. Three Beverley residents in particular played a vital role within the Alliance, namely Richard Wilson, an Open University Staff Tutor, John Wilton-Ely, Professor of the History of Art at Hull University, and the architectural historian, Dr Ivan Hall. Links were also developed with longstanding supporters of the Environs of Beverley Minster Appeal, such as George W Odey, former member of parliament and Councillor for Beverley, Sir Brynmor Jones, former Vice-Chancellor of the University

of Hull and the Treasurer of the Appeal Committee, T B Liddle. Protests to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Michael Heseltine MP, and national publicity in the letter columns of The Times failed to dissuade the Council from its view that it had made the right planning decision. The Department of the Environment expressed its reluctance to interfere with the planning decision of a democratically-elected local council, a position also adopted by the then MP for Beverley, Sir Patrick Wall.

A formal complaint was subsequently made by a number of Beverley residents, (coordinated by another active member of Beverley Heritage Alliance, Mary Mumby), to the Commissioner for Local Administration in England, the Ombudsman, on the grounds that both the consultation process and the final planning decision had been inadequate. The report of the Ombudsman's investigation, published on 5 September 1981, concluded that the Council's dual role as planning authority and landowner had influenced its decision to approve the application and that maladministration and injustice had occurred. As the Co-operative was not prepared to amend its proposals and the Council considered it unreasonable to revoke the planning permission, no adequate measures were taken for redress and the Ombudsman was compelled to issue a second report on 2 December 1981. By late 1981, the controversy had reached such a point that sympathetic peers, namely Lord Kennet and Lord Simon of Glaisdale, highlighted the threat to Beverley Minster in the House of Lords in an attempt to persuade the Department of the Environment to intervene [U DBE/4/5; U DBE12/49].

The Council proceeded to grant outline planning permission and listed building consent for the demolition of specified properties in St Andrew Street for Phase II of the project on 23 December 1981, thus persuading Richard Wilson, John Wilton-Ely and Ivan Hall to take their case to the High Court. An ex parte injunction was subsequently granted on 18 February 1982, preventing the Council from granting detailed planning permission pending the outcome of a judicial review. At the same time, Richard Wilson engaged in a continuing campaign to persuade the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Sir Cecil Clothier, to investigate the matter, whilst John Wilton-Ely appeared on Newsnight, broadcast on BBC2 in early February [U DBE/12/68-72; U DBE/17/22].

Despite the exhaustive campaigning, in his judgement issued in the High Court on 8 September 1982, Mr Justice Glidewell ruled that the applicants' challenge to the validity of the planning decision had failed and costs were awarded in favour of the Council. A final unsuccessful attempt to prevent the development scheme was made on 26 October 1982 at a public inquiry into the compulsory purchase order served on 58 St Andrew Street, the only property in the street which remained in private ownership. The objectors were left to mount a high-profile fundraising campaign over the next few years in order to meet their legal bills, whilst building work began on the disputed site. In the view of Richard Wilson, the 'curious feeling of completeness' of Beverley Minster and its environs, remarked upon by Nikolaus Pevsner had been lost [U DBE/15/13; U DBE/16/1].

Custodial History:

Presented by Richard Wilson in 1991

Description:

The collection comprises papers produced and accumulated in the course of the campaign which were subsequently copied or acquired by Richard Wilson. Therefore, much of the material is in photocopy or carbon-copy form. The collection had no original order and has been artificially arranged to group together records created by the same individual or organisation.

Arrangement:

U DBE/1	Beverley Borough Council, 1975-1982
U DBE/2	Beverley & District Civic Society, 1976-1983
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U DBE/4	Commissioner for Local Administration in England (the
	Ombudsman), 1981
U DBE/5	William Hamilton, 1980-1982
U DBE/6	Minster Residents' Association, 1975-1980
U DBE/7	Mary Mumby, 1980-1982
U DBE/8	George W Odey, 1978-1981
U DBE/9	Michael Peck, East Riding Alliance, 1981-1982
U DBE/10	St Andrew Street Development Co - operative Limited, 1978 - 1979
U DBE/11	SAVE Britain's Heritage, 1981-1982
U DBE/12	Richard Wilson, 1969 - 1984
U DBE/13	John Wilton - Ely, 1980 - 1987
U DBE/14	York University Design Unit, 1977
U DBE/15	High Court of Justice, Queen's bench Division, 1982
U DBE/16	Public Inquiry, 1982
U DBE/17	Miscellaneous, 1964-1984

Extent: 6 boxes

Related Material:

Records of the East Yorkshire campaign (U DEY - uncatalogued)

Access Conditions:

Access will be given to any accredited reader

U DBE/1	Beverley Borough Council 1 file	1976-1982
U DBE/1/1	Report to the Development Committee meeting, 'St. Andrew Street Co-operative-development near the Minster: supplement to Chief Executive's report dated 1st October 1981', Chief Executive, W J H Thomas 1 item	6 Oct 1981
U DBE/1/2	Letter from the Commissioner for Local Administration in England (the Ombudsman), Chief Executive, W J H Thomas Affixed to a letter from the St Andrew Street Development Co-operative Limited (SASDC), labelled 'Councillor Priestman' 2 items	1-5 Oct 1981
U DBE/1/3	Speech to the full Council stating the case for approval of the planning application by St Andrew Street Development Co-operative Limited, Council leader, Councillor C Sonley, labelled 'JWE' 1 item	22 Oct 1981
U DBE/1/4	Motion to amend the minutes of the Development (Policy) Committee meeting held on 26 January 1982, Council leader, Councillor C Sonley 1 item	[Jan] 1982
U DBE/1/5	Fourth draft of 'Development brief: St Andrew Street/Lurk Lane, Beverley', Chief Planning Officer, D H Solman, labelled 'T B Liddle' 1 item	12 Mar 1976
U DBE/1/6	Report to the Development Committee meeting on 22 March 1977, 'Lurk Lane Redevelopment Brief: Replies to Consultations', Chief Planning Officer, D H Solman 1 item	17 Mar 1977
U DBE/1/7	'Brief for development: St Andrew Street/Lurk Lane, Beverley', Chief Planning Officer, D H Solman, issued by the Departments of Planning and Administration 1 item	Feb 1980

U DBE/1/8	Report 'Application for outline planning permission for residential development off Minster Yard South and St Andrew Street, Beverley (313-738) and application for listed building consent for the demolition of numbers 15 and 17 and numbers 21-43, St Andrew Street, Beverley (313-738A)', with appendix, Chief Planning Officer, D H Solman Issued for the information of councillors prior to the Council meeting on 23 October 1980 1 item	Oct 1980
U DBE/1/9	Circular letter regarding residential development on land between Hull Road and Spark Mill Lane, Beverley, Chief Planning Officer, D H Solman 1 item	24 Jun 1981
U DBE/1/10	Letter from Ann Bennett, on behalf of Beverley Heritage Alliance (BHA), to Chief Planning Officer, D H Solman 1 item	16 Aug 1981
U DBE/1/11	Letter from Stepney Developments Limited, to Chief Planning Officer, D H Solman 1 item	18 Sep 1981
U DBE/1/12	Circular letter regarding the erection of general purpose sheds at Harland Way Gypsy Site, Cottingham, Chief Planning Officer, D H Solman 1 item	1 Oct 1981
U DBE/1/13	`Beverley and District Development Map', (scale 1:10,000), Chief Planning Officer, D H Solman, labelled 'John and Valerie Wilton-Ely' 1 item	Jun 1977
U DBE/1/14	Beverley Conservation Area Advisory Committee minutes, labelled 'For Councillor Hamilton' 1 bundle	8 Jan 1981
U DBE/1/15	Beverley Conservation Area Advisory Committee minutes, labelled `W E' 1 bundle	22 Dec 1981
U DBE/1/16	Beverley Conservation Area Advisory Committee minutes 1 bundle	2 Feb 1982
U DBE/1/17	Beverley Conservation Area Advisory Committee agenda 1 item	2 Mar 1982

U DBE/1/18	Conveyance by York Diocesan Board of Finance Limited of Beverley Minster Old Boys' School, Lurk Lane, Beverley, to Beverley Borough Council (BBC), for the sum of £4,000 1 item	15 Sep 1975
U DBE/1/19	Conveyance by Beverley Borough Council of dwelling houses and land in St Andrew Street and Lurk Lane, Beverley, to St Andrew Street Development Co-operative Limited, for the sum of £40,500 1 item	1 Oct 1979
U DBE/2	Beverley and District Civic Society DBE/2/1-5 is an original bundle of papers for the Annual General Meeting held on 21 November 1978 1 bundle	1976-1983
U DBE/2/1	Agenda for Annual General Meeting 1 item	21 Nov 1978
U DBE/2/2	Executive committee and Chairman's report 1 item	1 Nov 1978
U DBE/2/3	Honorary Treasurer's report 1 item	1978
U DBE/2/4	Income and expenditure account and balance sheet for previous year 1 bundle	30 Sep 1978
U DBE/2/5	List of members of the Executive Committee 1 item	1978-1979
U DBE/2/6	Executive Committee minutes Includes agenda 2 items	10 Dec 1981- 14 Jan 1982
U DBE/2/7	Report on the proposed redevelopment of St Andrew Street/Lurk Lane for Beverley and District Civic Society by students of Hull School of Architecture, E Brand, D Durham, S Green, D Pethick and C Read, labelled 'W H' 1 item	1976
U DBE/2/8	Newsletter no. 49 1 item	1982
U DBE/2/9	Newsletter no.50 1 item	1982

U DBE/2/10	Newsletter no.51 1 item	1982
U DBE/2/11	Newsletter no.56 1 item	1983
U DBE/3	Beverley Heritage Alliance 1 item	1981-1985
U DBE/3/1	Minutes of full meeting 1 item	9 Sep 1981
U DBE/3/2	Minutes of full meeting 1 item	15 Sep 1981
U DBE/3/3	Agenda for full meeting 1 item	22 Oct 1981
U DBE/3/4	Minutes of full meeting 1 item	24 Nov 1981
U DBE/3/5	Committee meeting minutes 1 item	3 Jan 1982
U DBE/3/6	Notice of full meeting 1 item	12 Jan 1982
U DBE/3/7	Minutes of full meeting 1 item	12 Jan 1982
U DBE/3/8	Agenda for full meeting 1 item	26 Jan 1982
U DBE/3/9	Minutes of full meeting Includes agenda 2 items	19 May- 3 Jun 1982
U DBE/3/10	Minutes of full meeting 1 item	3 Jun [1982]
U DBE/3/11	Agenda for full meeting 1 item	15 Jun [1982]
U DBE/3/12	Minutes of full meeting 1 item	12 Jul [1982]
U DBE/3/13	Summary of full meeting Includes agenda 2 items	14 Sep-28 Sep 1982

U DBE/3/14	Minutes of Annual General Meeting 1 item	8 Nov 1982
U DBE/3/15	Plenary meeting minutes Includes agenda 2 items	21 Mar-23 May 1983
U DBE/3/16	Plenary meeting minutes 1 item	27 Jun 1983
U DBE/3/17	Minutes of full meeting 1 item	6 Dec 1983
U DBE/3/18	Plenary meeting minutes 1 item	26 Mar 1984
U DBE/3/19	Emergency meeting minutes 1 item	17 May 1984
U DBE/3/20	Minutes of full meeting 1 item	11 Jun 1984
U DBE/3/21	'Hull Area Joint Housing Study, a First Report. Some Comments by Beverley Heritage Alliance', produced by 'S[ue] B H[olt], J T[rehern] & A M[ilsome]' 1 item	31 Mar 1981
U DBE/3/22	`Hull Area Joint Housing Study Progress Report' With covering letter to Beverley Heritage Alliance from D C Gill, Director of Planning, Humberside County Council (HCC), 21 July 1982 2 items	Jun -Jul 1982
U DBE/3/23	List of names and addresses of members and supporters 1 item	c.1982
U DBE/3/24	List of members and individuals to contact for possible support 1 item	[Jun] 1982
U DBE/3/25	Newsletter 1 item	[Jun] 1982
U DBE/3/26	Newsletter, about a proposed fundraising auction on 5 Feb 1983 1 item	[Jan] 1983

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U DBE/3/27	Leaflet. 'Beverley Heritage Alliance subscriptions programme' 1 item	1984-1985
U DBE/4	Commissioner for Local Administration in England (the Ombudsman) 10 items	1981
U DBE/4/1	Typescript of confidential draft of report on an investigation into complaint number 522/C/80 against Beverley Borough Council, issued by the Commission for Local Administration in England, with annotations by Mary Mumby 1 item	[Jul] 1981
U DBE/4/2	Bundle of comments on the draft report on an investigation into complaint number 522/C/80 against Beverley Borough Council, compiled by the participants at a confidential meeting on 10 June 1981 organised by Mary Mumby With covering letter from Mary Mumby to the Ombudsman 6 items	Jul-Aug 1981
U DBE/4/3	Second confidential draft of report investigating complaint number 522/C/80 against Beverley Borough Council 1 item	[Aug] 1981
U DBE/4/4	Final version of report investigating complaint number 522/C/80 against Beverley Borough Council (John Wilton-Ely's copy) 1 item	5 Sep 1981
U DBE/4/5	Second report on an investigation into complaint number 522/C/80 against Beverley Borough Council, issued by the Commission for Local Administration in England (John Wilton-Ely's copy) 1 item	2 Dec 1981
U DBE/5	William Hamilton 21 items	1980-1982
U DBE/5/1	Correspondence with W J H Thomas, Chief Executive, Beverley Borough Council 13 items	11 Sep 1980- 11 Feb 1982

U DBE/5/2	Letters to D H Solman, Chief Planning Officer, Beverley Borough Council 2 items	5 Jan- 15 Nov 1981
U DBE/5/3	Letter to Roy Gregory, Chief Administrative Officer, Beverley Borough Council 1 item	8 Feb 1981
U DBE/5/4	Letter to `Hull Daily Mail' about plans for the redevelopment of the flat at Beverley Racecourse 1 item	10 Nov 1981
U DBE/5/5	Letters to Lord Wade and Lord Kennet, labelled 'WE' 2 items	21 Jan 1982
U DBE/5/6	'Summary of proposals made in Autumn 1970 with regard to developments intended for the south of Beverley, as prepared for the Development Committee of Beverley Borough Council by Councillor W Hamilton' 1 item	10 Feb 1981
U DBE/5/7	Copy section from OS map of Beverley (scale 1:1,250) indicating the disputed area and detailing the ownership of houses in St Andrew Street on the reverse 1 item	[25 Nov 1980]
U DBE/6	Beverley Minster Residents' Association 2 bundles & 2 items	1975-1980
U DBE/6/1	Committee minutes 1 bundle	19 Nov 1975
U DBE/6/2	Committee minutes 1 bundle	20 May 1976
U DBE/6/3	Typescript 'Summary of letter by Tony Michelon on behalf of the Beverley Minster Residents' Association to the Chief Planning Officer, Beverley Borough Council on 30 April 1976 in response to the publication of the original planning brief of the St Andrew Street and Lurk Lane area south of the Minster' 1 item	c.1977

U DBE/6/4	Petition 'To the Chairman of the Development Committee, Councillor Herbert Dearing and copies to the Chief Planning Officer, Beverley Borough Council, Deryck Solman, Esq. and to the Secretary of the Royal Fine Art Commission', signed by residents of Minster ward 1 item	6 Oct 1980
U DBE/7	Mary Mumby 31 items & 1 bundle	1980-1982
U DBE/7/1	Letters to Michael Heseltine MP, Secretary of State for the Environment 2 items	13 Nov 1980- 21 Apr 1981
U DBE/7/2	Photocopy sheet comprising letters to John Townend MP and D H Solman, Chief Planning Officer, Beverley Borough Council 1 item	11 Jul 1981- 18 Feb 1982
U DBE/7/3	Letters from the Ombudsman With a copy of his first report attached 3 items	5 Sep- 2 Dec 1981
U DBE/7/4	Correspondence with W J H Thomas, Chief Executive, Beverley Borough Council 2 items	9 Oct-13 Dec 1981
U DBE/7/5	Letter to D J Laverick, Solicitor to the Commission for Local Administration in England 1 item	19 Oct 1981
U DBE/7/6	Correspondence with Lord Avon, Department of the Environment 4 items	13 Dec 1981- 8 Feb 1982
U DBE/7/7	Correspondence with Sir Patrick Wall MP 5 items	17 Dec 1981- 16 Feb 1982
U DBE/7/8	Incomplete letter to an unidentified recipient Regarding the proposed meeting between Beverley Borough Council, SASDC and the objectors to the scheme 1 item	[Jan] 1982

U DBE/7/9	Correspondence with the Solicitor General, Sir Michael Havers QC, the Legal Secretary to the Attorney General's Chambers, G Roscoe, and the Departments of the Environment and Transport, Yorkshire and Humberside Regional Office 7 items	8 Jan-23 Feb 1982
U DBE/7/10	Correspondence with N H Burdett, the Housing Corporation, Oakington, Cambridgeshire 2 items	11-17 Jan 1982
U DBE/7/11	Correspondence with the Charity Commission 2 items	26 Jan-1 Feb 1982
U DBE/7/12	Letter from the Ombudsman to Sir Patrick Wall MP, forwarded to Mary Mumby 1 item	28 Jan 1982
U DBE/7/13	Typescript 'Notes taken at Beverley Borough Council Conservation Area Advisory Committee' 1 bundle	22 Dec 1981
U DBE/8	George W Odey 5 items, 8 files	1978-1981
U DBE/8/1	Letter from Colonel R A Alec-Smith, Winestead, Hull 1 item	26 Feb 1979
U DBE/8/2	Letter to D H Solman, Chief Planning Officer, Beverley Borough Council, on behalf of the Beverley Minster Appeal Committee 1 item	1 Sep 1980
U DBE/8/3	Letter to the Editor of `The Times' 1 item	22 Sep 1980
U DBE/8/4		
	Letter to the Editor of `The Times', co-written by Sir Brynmor Jones 1 item	2 Nov 1981

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U DBE/8/6	File. 'Beverley Friary Preservation Trust-grant correspondence' Correspondence and minutes including: a) Typescript 'Future use of the Friary' and 'Past history', by C P Dawson, Secretary of Beverley Friary Preservation Society, [Aug] 1980 1 file	1979-1980
U DBE/8/7	File. 'Department of the Environment' Correspondence between the Department and the protestors. Includes a Black and white photograph of the southern view of the Minster which would be lost by the development, 1980s 1 file	Oct 1980- Feb 1981
U DBE/8/8	File. 'Friary' Correspondence with R M Weare of Beverley Friary Preservation Trust (and BFPT minutes), and officials of Beverley Borough Council and Humberside County Council. Includes a Black and white photographs (3) of sketches of an alternative housing layout to the St Andrew Street Development Co - operative limited scheme, 1980s 1 file	1978
U DBE/8/9	File. 'Friary' Correspondence with Beverley and District Civic Society, Beverley Borough Council, R M Weare of Beverley friary Preservation Trust (and BFPT minutes), Minster Old Fund, St Andrew Street Development Co-operative Limited, Beverley Minster Appeal Committee and York Diocesan Board of Finance Limited. Includes a plan of 'Beverley Minster precinct. Feasibility study' (scale 1:500), Jan 1979.	1979
U DBE/8/10	File. 'Friary Appeal-application for grant' 1 file	1978
U DBE/8/11	File. 'Johnson and Partners sketch plan' Includes a colour sketch plan of 'possible grouping of terrace houses approached from St Andrew Street, Beverley and facing into a close on the south side of Beverley Minster' (no scale), September 1979 1 file	1979
U DBE/8/12	File. 'Liddle / Wilson replies to Patrick Wall MP John Wilton-Ely to Patrick Cormack MP' 1 file	Feb-Mar 1981

U DBE/8/13	File. 'Minster project. Miscellaneous correspondence' Includes 'The 'Bombsites' of Beverley', by George W Odey, from the `East Riding Bystander', March 1970 and Beverley and District Civic Society newsletter no.43, Autumn 1980 1 file	Mar 1970- Nov 1980
U DBE/9	Michael Peck, East Riding Alliance 8 items	1981-1982
U DBE/9/1	Correspondence with Sir Patrick Wall MP 3 items	9-20 Jan 1982
U DBE/9/2	Letter to Lord Bellwin, Department of the Environment 1 item	14 Jan 1982
U DBE/9/3	Letter to Minister for Housing and Construction regarding the objectors' complaint to the Ombudsman With attached 'Summary of complaint referred to' 2 items	15 Jan 1982
U DBE/9/4	Expert opinion of Christopher J Millard, architect, on the comparative conditions of 58 St Andrew Street and 36 Trinity Lane, Beverley, in respect of a compulsory purchase order on 58 St Andrew Street With covering letter to Michael Peck 2 items	24 Oct 1982
U DBE/9/5	Petition issued prior to a public meeting at Beverley Picture Playhouse calling for Beverley's historic right to self-government to be recognised 1 item	[Dec] 1981
U DBE/10	St Andrew Street Development Co-operative Limited 6 items	1978-1979
U DBE/10/1	Minutes of committee meeting 1 item	31 Jan 1978
U DBE/10/2	Minutes of design team meeting number 4, held at Beverley Borough Council offices 1 item	21 Dec 1978

U DBE/10/3	Minutes of project sub-committee meeting number 3, labelled 'Coun. Stuart Haywood's papers' 1 item	17 Feb 1979
U DBE/10/4	Newsletter 'St. And News Sheet', number 1 1 item	1978
U DBE/10/5	Newsletter, 'St. And News Sheet', number 2 1 item	[Dec] 1978
U DBE/10/6	Newsletter, 'St. And News Sheet', number 3 1 item	[Jan] 1979
U DBE/11	SAVE Britain's Heritage 5 items	1981-1982
U DBE/11/1	Report `Beverley: will housing sprawl engulf Minster', by Ken Powell 1 item	Mar 1981
U DBE/11/2	Typescript of draft of second report by Ken Powell, 'Beverley: Future uncertain' With press release 2 items	Aug-Sep 1982
U DBE/11/3	Letter to Mrs C Griffiths of SAVE, from C J Millard of Millard Davies, architects With typescript notes on Beverley Minster 2 items	6 Jul 1982
U DBE/12	Richard Wilson The subject matter of correspondence is only given where it does not relate to the Beverley Minster Open Space Campaign c.285 items	1969-1985
U DBE/12/1	Correspondence with the East Riding Hospital Management Committee, Westwood Hospital About the construction of a new car park and offices in the hospital grounds 9 items	Nov 1971- Feb 1972
U DBE/12/2	Letters from National Westminster Bank Limited regarding Wilson's personal financial affairs 2 items	1974-1975
U DBE/12/3	Draft letters to the Editor of the `Beverley Guardian' 5 items	Oct 1979- Dec 1980

U DBE/12/4	Letter from an anonymous Beverley resident 1 item	1980s
U DBE/12/5	Correspondence with Hull and East Riding Co- operative Society Limited, about its Toll Gavel, Beverley premises 2 items	8 Feb- 5 Dec 1980
U DBE/12/6	Correspondence with The Racecourse Yacht Basin (Windsor) Limited, Christopher S Wates FCA, the Editor of `The Observer' and Hull Civic Society. About the redevelopment of Hull docks as a marina 6 items	23 Mar- 30 Jun 1980
U DBE/12/7	Correspondence with the County Architect of Humberside County Council Regarding stone paving in Beverley 3 items	May 1980
U DBE/12/8	Letter to the Editor of `The Times', co-written with Ivan Hall and John Wilton- Ely 1 item	21 Sep 1980
U DBE/12/9	Letter from Michael Peck, Acting Secretary, East Riding Alliance 1 item	23 Jan 1981
U DBE/12/10	Letter from Assistant Secretary of the Council for Places of Worship, David M Williams 1 item	6 Mar 1981
U DBE/12/11	Correspondence with Stuart Holland MP 2 items	26 Mar 1981- 18 Feb 1982
U DBE/12/12	Letter to Stuart Holland MP from Lord Bellwin, Department of the Environment, copied to Richard Wilson 1 item	11 Mar 1982
U DBE/12/13	Draft letter to the Chairman and Executive Committee of Beverley and District Civic Society About general issues of development in the town 1 item	26 Apr 1981
U DBE/12/14	Letter from Rosalind Hawkes, York 1 item	8 Jun 1981
U DBE/12/15	Letters from Elisabeth Hall 2 items	13 Jul-18 Nov 1981

U DBE/12/16	Draft letter to the Editor of `Hull Daily Mail' 1 item	[Sep] 1981
U DBE/12/17	Letter from W E Godfrey, architect, to Michael Heseltine MP, Secretary of State for the Environment With covering letter to Richard Wilson 2 items	11 Sep 1981
U DBE/12/18	Letters to Sir Brynmor Jones, George and Mrs Odey and T B Liddle 3 items	23 Oct 1981- 31 Jan [1983]
U DBE/12/19	Draft letter to Chief Constable of Humberside With carbon copy press release (incomplete) regarding stone paving in Beverley 2 items	27 Oct 1981
U DBE/12/20	Correspondence with Mary Mumby 3 items	10 Feb-5 Apr 1982
U DBE/12/21	Letter from John Wilton-Ely to Chief Planning Officers of Beverley Borough Council and Humberside County Council and the Departments of the Environment and Transport, Yorkshire and Humberside Regional Office With covering note to Richard Wilson 2 items	24 Feb 1982
U DBE/12/22	Letter from Councillor David Barley 1 item	1 Mar 1982
U DBE/12/23	Letter to John Brett (of Graham and Rosen, solicitors), Ivan Hall and John Wilton-Ely 1 item	2 Mar 1982
U DBE/12/24	Letter from J D Bedlington, Beverley, to Beverley Borough Council Planning Department, copied to Richard Wilson 1 item	15 Mar 1982
U DBE/12/25	Letter from Sir Patrick Wall MP 1 item	17 Mar 1982
U DBE/12/26	Letter from Patrick Cormack MP 1 item	18 Mar 1982
U DBE/12/27	Correspondence with Graham and Rosen, solicitors 5 items	29 Mar 1982- 2 Aug 1983

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U DBE/12/28	Letter to Ivan and Elisabeth Hall and Valerie and John Wilton-Ely 1 item	20 Jun 1982
U DBE/12/29	Letter from Secretary of the Royal Fine Art Commission, Sherban Cantacuzino 1 item	2 Aug 1982
U DBE/12/30	Letters from the Departments of the Environment and Transport, Yorkshire and Humberside Regional Office 2 items	23 Aug-13 Oct 1982
U DBE/12/31	Letter to Mrs S L Donovan, London 1 item	7 Sep 1982
U DBE/12/32	Letters to Councillor W Hamilton 4 items	October 1982
U DBE/12/33	Draft and final version of letter by John Wilton- Ely to the Access 4 Trust About the attempt to gain charitable status for Beverley Heritage Alliance, with covering note to Richard Wilson 3 items	26 May 1983
U DBE/12/34	Correspondence with Richard Wilson's next- door-neighbour at Westwood View, Beverley Regarding areas of dispute between them 2 items	31 May 1983
U DBE/12/35	Letter to friends at St. Mary's Church, Beverley Regarding plans for accommodating parish activities 1 item	10 Jun 1983
U DBE/12/36	Letter to the Secretary of the Local Government Boundary Commission Regarding the need for a parish council in Beverley 1 item	21 Jul 1983
U DBE/12/37	Letter from R Maulson, Beverley Heritage Alliance subscriptions secretary 1 item	26 Jun 1984
U DBE/12/38	Letters to the Editor of `The Daily Telegraph' following letter from Sir Patrick Wall MP published on 20 November 1985, forwarded by John Wilton-Ely 3 items	20 Nov-4 Dec 1985

U DBE/12/39	File. 'Beverley', regarding various development schemes in the town Including a plan of proposed alterations to the Old Fish Shop, Lairgate, Beverley (no scale), undated, and a Chairman's report to Beverley and District Civic Society, October 1969 1 file	Oct 1969- Dec 1979
U DBE/12/40	File 'Beverley Borough Council' 1 file	May 1981- Oct 1982
U DBE/12/41	File 'Beverley Friary Preservation Trust' Press cuttings, correspondence and minutes. Includes a typescript of 'Proposal to form Beverley and District Development Association and Trust', by J E and M Peck, 22 Feb 1971 1 file	Nov 1979- Jul 1983
U DBE/12/42	Envelope. 'Birdsall concert' Correspondence with Lord and Lady Middleton and others, posters and other publicity material for the fundraising event on 24 September 1983 1 bundle	Apr-Oct 1983
U DBE/12/43	File 'Council for British Archaeology' 1 file	Dec 1981- Mar 1982
U DBE/12/44	File 'Flamborough marina' 1 file	1977
U DBE/12/45	File. 'John Hillman' Correspondence between John Hillman of 31 Railway Street, Beverley, and Beverley Borough Council, regarding the compulsory purchase of his property at 58 St. Andrew Street. Includes a plan of St Andrew Street, Beverley by B T Johnson, Chief Technical Officer, Beverley Borough Council (scale 1:500), 18 July 1980. 1 file	May 1972- Oct 1982
U DBE/12/46	File. 'Lords correspondence' Correspondence by Richard Wilson, John Wilton-Ely, Ivan Hall and George Odey, with members of the House of Lords and the Lord Chancellor 1 file	Oct 1980- Oct 1982

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U DBE/12/47	File. 'Needler development' Correspondence with Beverley Borough Council regarding the residential development on Victoria Road, Beverley, by Needler Developments Limited. Includes a Beverley and District Civic Society newsletter no. 46, Summer 1981 and a typescript of a chronological summary of documentary evidence of the progress of the St. Andrew Street / Lurk Lane scheme, 1978-1980, compiled by Councillor Hamilton, 1980s.	Sep 1980- Apr 1982
U DBE/12/48	File 'Ombudsman' 1 file	Jan-Oct 1981
U DBE/12/49	File 'Public inquiry, Beverley, October 1982' Title page reads 'Beverley, St. Andrew Street- file for Inspector (arranged in date order) containing 1. Northern Ombudsman's report, dated 5 Sept. 1981, 2. Ombudsman's second report, dated 2 December, 3. Hansard report of House of Lords debate 14 October, 4. Hansard report of H[ouse] of L[ords] 5 November, 5. SAVE report 1981 and 6. SAVE report 1982' [complete] 1 file	1981-1982
U DBE/12/50	File 'Site history, public open space etc, M & J Peck' Minutes of East Riding County Council Town and Country Planning Committee, 'copiedfrom J E & M Peck's files reference an appeal numbered APP/1920/1/48613 by the Ministry of Housing and Local Government' 1 file	Sep-Oct 1970
U DBE/12/51	Draft notes for discussion about the closure of Beverley Westwood Hospital Casualty Unit [by Kate Wilson?] 1 bundle	5 Dec 1976
U DBE/12/52	Notes received from Ivan Hall 2 items	1980s
U DBE/12/53	Ts. 'Westwood View - Notes on the Interior by Richard Wilson' 1 bundle	May 1980

U DBE/12/54	'List of Official Bodies and Preservation Societies who are known to have made formal protest to the Borough Council against the proposed designs of the St Andrew Street Co- operative' 1 item	20 Oct 1980
U DBE/12/55	'Notes for colleagues, Beverley Heritage Alliance. Shopping mall, N[orth] B[ar] Within' 1 item	post 1981
U DBE/12/56	Memorandum to the Chairman and Secretary of Beverley Consolidated Charities, jointly from Richard Wilson and the Reverend Peter Harrison, Vicar of Beverley Minster 1 item	16 May 1981
U DBE/12/57	Typescript of notes on the 'Use of Corporation depot, Keldgate as elderly housing' 1 item	16 May 1981
U DBE/12/58	'Proposal for the area south of the Minster to be presented to the full Council on [] October 1981' 1 item	Oct 1981
U DBE/12/59	Memorandum to the Chief Planning Officer, Beverley Borough Council and chairmen of amenity societies in Beverley ' On the subject of the Chief Planning Officer's informal suggestion yesterday that amenity societies prepare proposals for the next full meeting of the town council that they consider might be in keeping with the planning of Beverley as an historic town, with particular reference to the Minster area', with covering letter to Michael [Vodden, Secretary of the Environs of Beverley Minster Appeal] 2 items	10 Oct 1981
U DBE/12/60	Appeal on behalf of Beverley and District Civic Society to the Mayor of Beverley 1 item	20 Oct 1981
U DBE/12/61	'B[everley] H[eritage] A[lliance] meeting, June 1982' Regarding some ideas for discussion relating to the appeal' 1 item	Jun 1982

U DBE/12/62	Typescript notes, 'Planning to the south of Beverley Minster' 1 item	25 Jul 1982
U DBE/12/63	'Note to counsel for Wilson and others' 1 item	1982
U DBE/12/64	Draft press release entitled 'Beverley: a second report published by SAVE Britain's Heritage' 1 item	Oct 1982
U DBE/12/65	Draft plan of campaign for public inquiry into the compulsory purchase of 58 St Andrew Street 1 item	26 Oct 1982
U DBE/12/66	List of jobs to be carried out at the Wilsons' London home 2 items	Jul 1983
U DBE/12/67	Bundle of original, photocopy and carbon copy letters, memoranda and press cuttings Compiled in November 1980 and originally contained within a ring binder, divided into labelled sections. Material is missing from several sections and there is some duplication of items in the rest of the collection. c.60 items	1979-1980
U DBE/12/68	Correspondence with the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Sir Cecil Clothier Including a petition sent to the Commissioner from councillors and citizens of Beverley 16 items	Nov 1980- Mar 1982
U DBE/12/69	Bundle of documents copied on 7 February 1982 19 items	13 Apr 1976- 2 Feb 1982
U DBE/12/70	Bundle of documents copied on 8 February 1982 7 items	21 May 1970- 10 Oct 1980
U DBE/12/71	Bundle of documents, copied on 10 February 1982 49 items	30 Oct 1975- 8 Feb 1982
U DBE/12/72	Bundle of documents, copied on 12 February 1982 4 items	18 Mar 1981- 12 Feb 1982

U DBE/12/73	Introductory brochure and other papers relating to the introduction of a part-time certificate and honours degree in European art and civilisation at Hull University, forwarded by John Wilton-Ely 9 items	May-Sep 1982
U DBE/12/74	Envelope of 'High Court case: notes on file cards' 1 bundle	Sep 1982
U DBE/12/75	Forms of acknowledgement of gifts for the charity auction by the Wilsons, with covering note from Lorna [] 8 items	Mar 1983
U DBE/12/76	Catalogue 1 item	Mar 1983
U DBE/12/77	List of 'R W's purchases sold at auction' 1 item	Mar 1983
U DBE/13	John Wilton-Ely c.75 items	1980-1987
U DBE/13/1	Draft letter to D H Solman, Chief Planning Officer, BBC, from objectors to the St Andrew Street scheme, with annotations by John Wilton- Ely 1 item	1980s
U DBE/13/2	Letter from the Very Reverend Lawrence Jackson, Provost of Blackburn With copy of his letter to the Mayoress of Beverley 2 items	Oct 1980
U DBE/13/3	Master copy of letter to Michael Heseltine MP, Secretary of State for the Environment With copy of his letter to the Mayoress of Beverley 1 item	17 Dec 1980
U DBE/13/4	Draft telegram and letter to Lord Bellwin, Department of the Environment, on behalf of Beverley Heritage Alliance 2 items	31 Jan 1981- 14 Jan 1982
U DBE/13/5	Letter to P G Myers, Listing Section, Department of the Environment 1 item	2 Apr 1981

U DBE/13/6	Letters from supporters of the Beverley Heritage Alliance campaign, forwarded by SAVE, with covering notes 9 items	April-May 1981
U DBE/13/7	Correspondence with John Brett of Graham and Rosen, solicitors 9 items	Dec 1981- May 1984
U DBE/13/8	Draft letter to 'the `New Statesman', the Insight team of `The Sunday Times', `The Observer', the Council for Civil Liberties and to the person who does the civil rights programme on the series of mid-day programmes on Sunday (Television)' 1 item	c.1982
U DBE/13/9	Letter to Tom Martin, Chairman of Beverley and District Civic Society Attached to a letter from the Chief Executive of Beverley Borough Council to Tom Martin 2 items	7-18 Jan 1982
U DBE/13/10	Letter to Tom Martin, Chairman of Beverley and District Civic Society Attached to a letter from the Chief Executive of Beverley Borough Council to Tom Martin 1 item	28 Jan- 4 Feb 1982
U DBE/13/11	Letter to D H Solman, Chief Planning Officer, Beverley Borough Council 1 item	21 Jan 1982
U DBE/13/12	Letters from Alec Clifton-Taylor, architectural historian With copy of his letter to D H Solman, Chief Planning Officer, Beverley Borough Council 3 items	22 Jan-16 Feb 1982
U DBE/13/13	Letters from Michael Peck, Acting Secretary, East Riding Alliance 2 items	22 Jan- 14 Sep 1982
U DBE/13/14	Letter from the Departments of the Environment Transport, Yorkshire and Humberside Regional Office to the Northern Secretary of SAVE, forwarded to John Wilton- Ely 1 item	5 Feb 1982
U DBE/13/15	Letters from the producer of `Newsnight' on BBC2 2 items	Feb 1982

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U DBE/13/16	Letter from Ann Moon, York With copy of letter received by Ann Moon from the Charity Commission 2 items	Feb 1982
U DBE/13/17	Circular letter to all Beverley Heritage Alliance members from Richard Wilson 1 item	20 Feb 1982
U DBE/13/18	Letters from Patrick Cormack MP 3 items	7 Jul-21 Sep 1982
U DBE/13/19	Letter from John L Lane, Beverley Heritage Alliance committee member 1 item	13 Sep 1982
U DBE/13/20	Letter from Michael Vodden, Secretary of the Environs of Beverley Minster Appeal 1 item	28 Apr 1984
U DBE/13/21	Correspondence with Michael Boardman, Director of Leisure Services, Humberside County Council About the choice of a pre-development view of Beverley Minster to illustrate the diary of events for February 1987, with colour photograph of the actual state of the area 4 items	25 -28 Feb 1987
U DBE/13/22	File. 'Minster' Copy sections from OS maps of the site and architectural plans indicating the impact of the development scheme 1 file	1980s
U DBE/13/23	File. 'Minster environs appeal letters' 1 file	Jul 1980- Sep 1982
U DBE/13/24	Manuscript summary of documentary evidence of historical background to the campaign, 1969-1978, labelled 'WE' [author unidentified] 1 item	1980s
U DBE/13/25	Manuscript notes regarding ex parte injunctions 1 item	1980s
U DBE/13/26	Manuscript notes about [a Council meeting] 1 item	1980s

U DBE/13/27	Details of a statement made by Jim Lowe in 1976/7 about the inadvisability of development to the south of Beverley Minster, forwarded by Richard Wilson 1 item	1980s
U DBE/13/28	List of members of Beverley Heritage Alliance committee 1 item	1980s
U DBE/13/29	Master copy of 'A threat to the South-East precincts of Beverley Minster: Summary of the situation to date' 1 item	Dec 1980
U DBE/13/30	Typescript 'Notes on meeting [with George Odey and Sir Brynmor Jones]' 1 item	c.1982
U DBE/13/31	Memorandum, 'Suggestions to the Wilsons and the Halls before we leave' 1 item	1982
U DBE/13/32	'Draft for a possible Beverley Heritage Alliance press release in reply to Sir Patrick Wall' 1 item	Jan 1982
U DBE/13/33	Typescript of 'Housing south of Beverley Minster', forwarded with covering note from A C Millest, member of Beverley and District Civic Society 2 items	22 Jan 1982
U DBE/13/34	Manuscript notes in preparation for John Wilton- Ely's appearance on `Newsnight' on BBC2 With a statement on Council corruption, forwarded by Richard Wilson 2 items	[Feb] 1982
U DBE/13/35	Draft layouts of a leaflet for the Environs of Beverley Minster Appeal, amended and approved by Ivan Hall and John Brett With black and white photographs of the Minster and the final version of the leaflet 5 items	20 Mar 1982
U DBE/13/36	Typescript copy of the expert opinion of Dr Christopher Wilson regarding the archaeological importance of the site to the south of Beverley Minster 1 item	9 Jul 1982

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U DBE/13/37	Press cutting, with accompanying note, of John Wilton-Ely's photograph in the `Hull Daily Mail', in the company of Jim Thomas, Chief Executive of BBC and Claude Sonley, Council leader 2 items	9 Sep 1982
U DBE/13/38	Draft Beverley Heritage Alliance appeal form 1 item	Dec 1983
U DBE/13/39	Draft list of Beverley Heritage Alliance subscriptions events for 1984/5 With bill of costs incurred by Beverley Borough Council and details of hours worked by Council solicitors during the High Court injunction 3 items	1982-1985
U DBE/13/40	Second draft of Beverley Heritage Alliance subscriptions events for 1984/5, with annotations 1 item	1984-1985
U DBE/14	York University Design Unit 1 item	Nov 1977
U DBE/14/1	Report by David Crease, 'St Andrew Street,	
	Beverley - a Feasibility Study' 1 item	Nov 1977
U DBE/15	Beverley - a Feasibility Study'	Nov 1977 1982

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U DBE/15/2	Further instructions to Counsel in the matter of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 and an application for outline planning permission for residential development off Minster Yard South and St Andrew Street, Beverley, between Ivan Hall, Richard Malcolm Wilson and John Wilton-Ely versus Beverley Borough Council and St Andrew Street Development Co-operative Limited 1 bundle	1982
U DBE/15/3	Affidavit of David Barley further to U DBE/15/1 1 item	1982
U DBE/15/4	Affidavit of Roy Gregory further to U DBE/15/1 1 item	15 Mar 1982
U DBE/15/5	Affidavit of Roy Frederick Haddon [Secretary and General Manager of York Housing Association] further to U DBE/15/1 1 item	5 Jul 1982
U DBE/15/6	Affidavit of David William Petherick [Secretary of St Andrew Street Development Co-operative Limited] further to U DBE/15/1 1 item	5 Jul 1982
U DBE/15/7	Affidavit of Deryck Herbert Solman further to U DBE/15/1 1 item	15 Mar 1982
U DBE/15/8	Affidavit of Claude Chapman Sonley further to U DBE/15/1 1 item	15 Mar 1982
U DBE/15/9	Affidavit of Richard Malcolm Wilson further to U DBE/15/1 1 item	Feb 1982
U DBE/15/10	Exhibit marked 'RG1' in the affidavit of Roy Gregory further to U DBE/15/1 1 item	15 Mar 1982
U DBE/15/11	Exhibit marked 'DHS1' in the affidavit of Deryck Herbert Solman further to U DBE/15/1 1 item	15 Mar 1982
U DBE/15/12	Exhibit marked 'CCS1' in the affidavit of Claude Chapman Sonley, further to U DBE/15/1 1 item	15 Mar 1982

U DBE/15/13	Judgement of Mr Justice Glidewell in the case of the Queen versus East Yorkshire Borough of Beverley Borough Council and St Andrew Street Development Co-operative Limited, ex parte Ivan Hall, Richard Malcolm Wilson and John Wilton-Ely, further to U DBE/15/1 1 item	8 Sep 1982
U DBE/16	Public Inquiry 1 bundle	26 Oct 1982
U DBE/16/1	Proof of evidence of M T Hildyard, First Principal Planning Assistant, East Yorkshire Borough of Beverley Borough Council, to the public inquiry held by the Inspector, Department of the Environment, on 26 October 1982, in respect of the Borough Council's compulsory purchase order on 58 St Andrew Street 1 bundle	26 Oct 1982
U DBE/17	Miscellaneous c.150 items	1980-1984
U DBE/17/1	Typescript of [speech] regarding the role of Beverley Borough Council in the Beverley Minster Open Space affair [author unidentified] 1 item	1980s
U DBE/17/2	Typescript of [speech] regarding the role of	
	Beverley Borough Council in the Beverley Minster Open Space affair [incomplete, author unidentified] 1 item	1980s
U DBE/17/3	Beverley Borough Council in the Beverley Minster Open Space affair [incomplete, author unidentified]	1980s 4 Sep 1980
U DBE/17/3 U DBE/17/4	Beverley Borough Council in the Beverley Minster Open Space affair [incomplete, author unidentified] 1 item Letter to Councillor Dearing from T B Liddle, Joint Secretary of the Beverley Minster Appeal Committee	

U DBE/17/6	Letter to Mr and Mrs H Ewen, 57 St Andrew Street, Beverley, from Cooper and Wright, solicitors. Regarding the compulsory purchase of their house 1 item	9 Apr 1981
U DBE/17/7	Speech to the Development Committee of Beverley Borough Council by an unidentified Councillor, possibly David Barley or William Hamilton. Regarding the Ombudsman's first report and the position of the Council 1 item	6 Oct 1981
U DBE/17/8	Memorandum from Councillor David Barley to the Leader of Beverley Borough Council, the Chairman of the Development Committee and members of the Council Regarding objections to the scheme by residents. Includes a blank copy of the petition and 'The Stepney development in St. Andrew Street: questions to the Council' 2 items	Nov 1981
U DBE/17/9	Press statement by Royal Fine Art Commission, 'Beverley: St Andrew Street/Lurk Lane Housing Development' 1 item	Jan 1982
U DBE/17/10	Letter from Sir Brynmor Jones and Michael Vodden, Chairman and Secretary of the Environs of Beverley Minster Appeal Fund [recipient unidentified] 1 item	5 Apr 1982
U DBE/17/11	Letter to the Editor of `The Sunday Telegraph' from Michael Vodden 1 item	8 Jun 1982
U DBE/17/12	Letter to Mr [Roy] Hattersley [MP] from Dr George Highmore, Co-Chairman of Beverley Heritage Alliance 1 item	16 Sep 1982
U DBE/17/13	'CHAT: Newsletter of the Co-operative Housing Agency', number 6 1 item	Jan 1978
U DBE/17/14	Appeal form for the Environs of Beverley Minster Appeal Fund Incorporating the article by 'Piloti' in `Private Eye' 1 item	1982

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U DBE/17/15	Bundle of notes comprising a summary of documentary evidence of the historical background and development of the Beverley Minster Open Space campaign, 1928-1982 c.50 items	c.1983
U DBE/17/16	Notes taken from Beverley Borough Council minutes, covering 1961-1974 1 item	1980s
U DBE/17/17	Notes entitled 'Lurk Lane: Documentation' 1 item	1980s
U DBE/17/18	Notes entitled 'The St Andrew Street/Lurk Lane Development' 1 item	1980s
U DBE/17/19	File of press cuttings entitled 'Friary' 1 file	May 1964- Dec 1980
U DBE/17/20	Bundle of press cuttings relating to the Beverley Minster Open Space Campaign 8 items	Sep 1970- Dec 1980
U DBE/17/21	Bundle of press cuttings relating to the Beverley Minster Open Space Campaign c.120 items	1981
U DBE/17/22	Bundle of press cuttings relating to the open space campaign c.50 items	Jan 1982- May 1984