



Records of The Sports Council

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[1940s]-2001

Records of The Sports Council primarily comprising administrative papers including minutes and meeting papers; reports and supporting documentation; financial records; and correspondence and copy correspondence. The collection also includes a small number of publications and miscellaneous printed material. There are substantial records covering 1966 to 1979 and 1988 to 2001. There are no records dated 1980 to 1987.

Papers dated 1988 to 1992 highlight a critical period both in the development of a national sports strategy and in the history of The Sports Council itself, when the Government was evolving plans for the Council's restructuring. These papers include draft policy documents and management and financial reviews. Amongst the topics discussed throughout the late 20th century include doping controls and the creation of a national lottery and its possible impact on sport.

These records are of interest to those studying amateur sports and culture in the United Kingdom during the late 20th century.

Administrative history: The Sports Council was first appointed by the government in 1965 'to advise on matters relating to the development of amateur sport and physical recreation services and to foster co-operation among the statutory authorities and voluntary organisations'. One of the early recommendations of the Council was that in order to assist local authorities in co-ordinating the planning and provision of facilities, some guidance was required on appropriate scales of provision. The standard of six acres of playing space per thousand of population was for many years recommended by the National Playing Fields Association; but standards were required for a wider range of facilities.

The Wolfenden Committee hoped that the Council 'would be at the centre of a web of information and consequent action, with a chance of taking a view at once synoptic and

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objective which no existing body is able to take'. Sport in Britain was fragmented with each governing body working in isolation. Each had its own definition of 'amateur' and its own system of coaching awards. These various organisations, it was alleged, co-operated minimally through three composite bodies: the Centre Council of Physical Recreation (CCPR); the National Playing Fields Association; and the British Olympic Association (BOA). It was argued that these three bodies in turn regarded each other as rivals rather than partners. Furthermore, it was suggested that local authorities and local education authorities rarely coordinated their provision for sport.

Particular subjects which it was intended that the Council should advise on included standards of provision of sports facilities for the community; collation of information about the position in other countries; surveys of resources and regional planning; co-ordination of the use of community resources; research; development of training and coaching; likely capital expenditure; participation in sporting events overseas by British amateur teams; and priorities in sports development. The Government expected all bodies who have responsibility for sport and physical recreation and receive grant aid from official sources will collaborate with the Council.

The Council first met on Thursday 18 February 1965 and in 1997 changed its name to the 'English Sports Council'.

Sources: Records of The Sports Council;
Extracts from Hansard accessed 5 May 2015
via
<http://hansard.millbanksystems.com/commons/1965/feb/03/sports-council>; Cadbury Research Library, 'Research Libraries Bulletin', Number 4, Spring 1996, page 12

Arrangement: These papers have been arranged into the following two series:

Administrative papers;

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Collected publications.

48 standard boxes

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Language: English

Creator name: The Sports Council

Custodial history: This collection was previously in the custody of the National Centre for Athletics Literature (NCAL).

Archival notes: Papers arranged and described by Mark Eccleston, May 2015, in compliance with General International Standard Archival Description (ISAD(G), second edition, 2000; and in-house cataloguing guidelines.

Related material: Other archive collections, formerly held as part of the National Centre for Athletics Literature (NCAL), are catalogued as collections distinct from this collection. They comprise both institutional archives and collections of personal papers of athletes, athletics administrators, journalists and others associated with the athletics world.

Catalogues of the institutional archives available on the online archive catalogue are as follows:

Amateur Athletic Association: papers, 1880-1992. Finding No: ATH/AAA;

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English Cross-Country Union: papers, 1911-1989. Finding No: ATH/ECCU;

Midland Counties Amateur Athletics Association: papers, 1900-1991. Finding No: ATH/MCAAA;

Midland Counties Cross Country Association: papers, 1898-1985. Finding No: ATH/MCCCA;

Midland Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association: papers, 1949-[1980s]. Finding No: ATH/MCWAAA;

Northern Counties Women's Amateur Athletic Association: papers, 1933-1989. Finding No: ATH/NCWAAA;

Northern Cross-Country Association: papers, 1906-1983. Finding No: ATH/NCCA;

Northern Women's Track and Field League: papers, 1982-1983. Finding No: ATH/NWTFL;

Southern Counties Amateur Athletic Association: papers, 1958-1983. Finding No: ATH/SCAAA;

Southern Counties Cross-Country Association: papers, 1911-1990. Find No: ATH/SCCCA;

The Sports Council: papers, [1940s]-2001. Find No: ATH/SC.

Catalogues of personal papers available on the online archive catalogue are as follows:

Abrahams, Harold Maurice (1899-1978), athlete, administrator, commentator and journalist: papers, 1902-1989. Finding No: ATH/HA;

Adam, George Mair (1898-1989), athlete, coach and athletics administrator: papers, 1909-1989. Finding No: ATH/GA;

Binks, Joseph (Joe) (1874-1966), athlete and athletics commentator: papers, [1920s-1950s]. Finding No: ATH/JB;

Cardew, Martin H. (b 1927), athlete: papers,

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1964-1988. Finding No: ATH/MHC;

Cullum, Dennis Noel Johnson (1913-1985), athlete and coach: papers, [1930s]-1985. Finding No: ATH/DC;

Ives, Bert (1890-1975), athlete and athletics administrator: papers, [1920s-1970s]. Finding No: ATH/BI;

Jewell, John Christopher (1912-2001), athlete and athletics commentator: papers, 1897-2002. Finding No: ATH/JJ;

Lloyd-Edgley, Ralph: scrapbook, [c 1924]-[c 1931]. Finding No: ATH/RLE;

MacLean, Duncan (1884-1980), athlete and coach: papers, 1948-1977. Finding No: ATH/DM;

Monk, Walter Harry (Wal) (1896-after 1965), athlete: papers, 1918-1961. Finding No: ATH/WHM;

Morgan, Wilf (b 1935), athlete and athletics historian: papers, 1937-2012. Finding No: ATH/WM;

Newton, Arthur Francis Hamilton (1883-1959), athlete: papers, [c 1904]-[1990s]. Finding No: ATH/AN;

Payne, Howard (1931-1992), athlete: papers, 1899-[c 1975]. Finding No: ATH/HP;

Percy, Joe W. (1912-2001), athlete and athletics administrator: papers, 1910-1997. Finding No: ATH/JWP;

Powell, Edgar Robert Leslie (Peter), (fl 1920s-70s), athlete: papers, 1813-1988. Finding No: ATH/ERLP;

Richards, Wilf (b 1906), athlete and journalist: papers, 1924-[mid 20th century]. Finding No: ATH/WR;

Roberts, Dave (fl 1930s-1990s), athlete and statistician: papers, [1930s]-1991. Finding No: ATH/DR;

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Simpson, Colin J. (1929-2011), athlete and athletics administrator: papers, 1945-1990. Finding No: ATH/CS;

Tatham, Wilfrid George (Gus) (1898-1978), athlete: papers, 1908-1960. Finding No: ATH/WGT;

Thomas, Dr Philip, athletics administrator and coach: papers, [c 1900]-[late 20th century]. Finding No: ATH/PT;

Vargas, Charles Climaco (1905-1975), athlete: papers, 1921-31. Finding No: ATH/CCV;

Ward, Leonard H., athletics coach: papers, [mid-20th century]. Finding No: ATH/LW;

Watman, Melvyn Francis (Mel) (b 1938), athletics journalist and statistician: papers, 1980-1993. Finding No: ATH/MW;

Wight, Robert M., athletics administrator: papers, [mid-20th century]. Finding No: ATH/RW;

Winter, Arthur E. H. (d 1990), athlete and athletics commentator: papers, [early 20th century]-1983. Finding No: ATH/AW;

Yarrow, Squire Stevens (1905-1984), athlete and athletics administrator: papers, 1938-1984. Finding No: ATH/SY.

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Administrative papers

1966-2001

Extensive sequence of administrative papers comprising minutes and meeting papers; reports and supporting documentation; financial records; and items of correspondence and copy correspondence. As a whole, the papers discuss various subjects including issues surrounding national recreation centres; grant awards; research projects; issues surrounding the Olympic and Commonwealth Games; along with papers on various sports including karate and rugby football. During the late 1990s, the majority of papers relate to grant awards and applications made via the Sports Lottery Fund.

The papers are ordered chronologically.

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Between 1966 and the early 1970s, the Council retained separate folders for each sub-committee reporting to them. From 1973 sub-committee papers are not sub-divided and were bundled together. As such, the original order of this material has been retained. Researchers should be aware that they need to search individual sub-series in order to trace the work of one particular committee.

The Sports Council met regularly, usually once a month, throughout the year. Meetings were usually held in London and attendees included members, assessors and observers. The Sports Council received reports and recommendations from various sub-committees which reported to it. The terms of reference of these sub-committees were:

International Committee:

To consider and advise on matters relating to the development of international sport at home and overseas and, in particular, to advise on principles and working rules by which government grants may be made for international teams competing overseas; world and european international events at home; international conferences at home and overseas; coaching, advisory and lecture visits overseas; Olympic and Commonwealth Games.

Sports Development and Coaching Committee:

To advise on matters, except international, relating to the further development of sport by national voluntary organisations and, in particular, to consider the general principles of grant-aid for headquarters administration and coaching development; capital development of facilities for local voluntary organisations and national centres.

Research and Statistics Committee:

To advise on matters of scientific research related to sport and, in particular, to consider the development of medical research in sport and to recommend financial grant for approved

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schemes of research; consider schemes of sociological research related to sport and physical recreation and to recommend appropriate grants; acquire statistical data and documentation on sport and physical recreation.

Facilities Planning Committee:

To advise on matters relating to the provision and improvement of facilities for sport and physical recreation and, in particular, to examine the powers and responsibilities of government departments, local authorities, boards, commissions and other agencies concerned with planning and providing facilities for sport and physical recreation and to recommend ways and means of increasing the provision of new facilities and improving existing facilities; consult local authority associations and local education authorities and various national organisations to find means of stimulating the pace of development of facilities for sport and recreation; consider national and regional planning of recreating facilities for open space land, waterways, coastal areas and for development of large-scale indoor facilities, stadia and swimming pools, and to recommend appropriate action.

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/1 Minutes and papers: 1966 1966

Extensive sequence of papers primarily dated 1966. The papers include minutes generated by the various committees along with various supporting papers and documents.

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/1/1 Sports Council 1966

Contains minutes of meetings 21 June 1966 to 8 November 1966. Minutes discuss Territorial Army Drill Halls; Indoor Cycling Centre; National Playing Fields Association;

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preparation training for the 1968 Olympic Games; and Pilkington Sports Clubs. Papers also include typescript extracts from Hansard concerning karate clubs and sporting facilities, November 1966; details of expenditure on sport and physical recreation between 1 April to 30 September 1966; Scottish Sports Development Committee 'Design for Sport' exhibition; papers detailing the work of the National Playing Fields Association; selective employment tax and local sports clubs; memorandum on grants to county cricket clubs; memorandum on priorities in expenditure for sport; and European Athletics Diploma.

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/1/2 Facilities Planning Committee 1966

Contains minutes of meetings 18 July 1966 to 17 November 1966. Includes minutes of a meeting of the National Angling Council, 19 July 1966; report on activities in the regional sports councils; minutes of meeting with Water Sports Organisation on Coastal Development, 28 July 1966; details of large scale projects; gravel workings and water recreation in West London; and Territorial Army centres.

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ATH/SC/1/1/3 International Committee 1966

Contains minutes of meetings June 1966 to November 1966. Includes papers relating to competitions in South Africa; and Women's European Rowing Championships.

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ATH/SC/1/1/4 Research and Statistics Committee 1966

Contains minutes of meetings 18 July 1966 to 16 November 1966

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	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/1/5	Sports Development and Coaching Committee	1966
	Contains minutes of meetings 20 July 1966 to 7 December 1966. Includes papers relating to meetings with the National Angling Council, British Cycling Federation and British Hockey Board.	
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	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/1/6	Miscellaneous papers	1966
	Various papers concerning provision of golf courses in counties; aims and activities of the National Playing Field Association; papers regarding the Forestry Commission and access to forest areas for the purpose of physical recreation; draft report of the working party concerning the planning and provision of facilities; typescript history concerning the origins of the Sports Council; and a small number of typescript letters.	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/2	Minutes and papers: 1967	1966-1967
	Extensive sequence of papers primarily dated 1967. The papers include minutes generated by the various committees along with various supporting papers and documents.	
	6 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/2/1	Sports Council	1966-1967
	Contains minutes of meetings 21 March 1967 to 13 December 1967. Includes papers relating to Territorial Army Centre; Land Commission Act; British Field Sports Society 36th Annual Report, 1965-1966; Badminton Association of England 'Survey of Playing Facilities',	

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February-March 1967; and draft report 'Coastal Recreation in England and Wales'; National Playing Field Association Annual Report, 1966.

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/2/2 Facilities Planning Committee 1967

Contains minutes of meetings 3 January 1967 to 7 November 1967. Includes report from Ministry of Transport 'British Waterways: Recreation and Amenity'; reports on sociological surveys regarding recreation; Ministry of Housing and Local Government survey 'Provision of Playing Pitches in New Towns'; Sheffield Junior Chamber of Commerce 'Report on Watersports in the Sheffield Area'; The Sports Council for Scotland 'Meadowbank Sports Centre: a memorandum'; report 'Sailing on Reservoirs'; and South Western Sports Council 'Initial Appraisal of Major Facilities'.

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ATH/SC/1/2/3 International Committee 1967

Contains minutes of meetings 9 January 1967 to 11 December 1967

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/2/4 Research Committee 1967

Contains minutes of meetings 3 January 1967 to 24 October 1967. Includes reports concerning sociological research and psychological questions in sport; sports turf research; research projects for Font Romeu; sports injuries; study into the use of indoor sports centres; inquiry into the demand for indoor swimming pools; study of golf course provision in Great Britain; survey of outdoor leisure activities; North West Sports Council 'The Case for a Leisure Activities Survey';

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'Implications to Sport of the Full Adoption of the Metric System'; and research project at Mexico City, October 1967.

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ATH/SC/1/2/5 Sports Development and Coaching Committee 1967

Contains minutes of meetings 17 January 1967 to 14 December 1967

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ATH/SC/1/2/6 Miscellaneous papers 1967

Various papers including report by the British Empire and Commonwealth Games, Kingston, Jamaica, 1966; 'Sport Facilities in Wales: a survey by the Central Council of Physical Recreation (Wales)'; The West Midlands Standing Conference of Sports Organisations newsletter, September 1967; Central Council of Physical Recreation 'Recreation in Local Authority Parks'; The Scottish Council of Physical Recreation Annual Report 1966-1967; The Sports Council for Wales 'Major Sports Facilities: an initial appraisal'; and miscellaneous items of correspondence.

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/3 Minutes and papers: 1968 1968

Extensive sequence of papers primarily dated 1968. The papers include minutes generated by the various committees along with various supporting papers and documents.

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ATH/SC/1/3/1 Sports Council 1968

Contains minutes of meetings 30 January

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1968 to 18 December 1968

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/3/2 Facilities Planning Committee 1968

Contains minutes of meetings 10 January 1968 to 26 November 1968. Includes reports 'Development of Tourism'; All England Women's Hockey Association 'Facilities for Women's Hockey'; 'Swimming Pools for School and Public - the difference in standards'; 'Dual provision and dual use of sports facilities'; papers regarding wet gravel pits; Golf Development Council 'Elements of Golf Course Layout and Design'; and Southern Sports Council 'Survey of Swimming Pools'.

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/3/3 International Committee 1968

Contains minutes of meetings 15 January 1968 to 10 November 1968

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/3/4 Research and Statistics Committee 1968

Contains minutes of meetings 10 January 1968 to 26 November 1968. Includes 'Educational Research News', Number 6, January 1969; and photocopy report 'Temperature regulations in athletes: experimental results collected during visits to Fort Romeu (1800m) and Mexico City (2250m) in October, 1967'.

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/3/5 Sports Development Committee 1968

Contains minutes of meetings 8 February 1968 to 19 November 1968. Includes reports

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	<p>'Amateur-Professionalism in Alpine Skiing' and 'A preliminary Report on Soccer Hooliganism' by Denis Howell.</p> <p>1 file</p> <p>Access: Open</p>	
ATH/SC/1/3/6	<p>Fitness Study Group</p> <p>Papers relating to meeting held on 30 September 1968 concerning physical fitness with emphasis on a medical viewpoint.</p> <p>1 file</p> <p>Access: Open</p>	1968
ATH/SC/1/3/7	<p>Miscellaneous papers</p> <p>Various papers and publications relating to sport and recreation. Includes typescript feasibility report for proposed Olympic rowing course at Cheshunt, January 1968; financial papers; 'Report of the Conference for Local Authorities and Local Education Authorities', 26 June 1968; typescript extracts from Hansard; 'Planning for Sport: report of a Working Party on Scales of Provision', April 1968; and a small number of items of correspondence.</p> <p>1 file</p> <p>Access: Open</p>	1968
ATH/SC/1/4	<p>Minutes and papers: 1969</p> <p>Extensive sequence of papers primarily dated 1969. The papers include minutes generated by the various committees along with various supporting papers and documents.</p> <p>Although the files were originally labelled '1969', some papers cover 1969 to 1972.</p> <p>7 files</p> <p>Access: Open</p>	1969-1972
ATH/SC/1/4/1	<p>Sports Council</p>	1969

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Contains minutes of meetings 12 February 1969 to 17 December 1969. Includes 'Memorandum for Guidance of Governing Bodies of Sport on Terms of Employment of National Coaches' and some papers relating to the forthcoming 1970 Edinburgh Commonwealth Games.

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/4/2 Facilities Planning Committee 1969

Contains minutes of meetings 21 January 1969 to 18 November 1969. Includes papers relating to the rights of canoeists; provision for sport and physical recreation in Milton Keynes; the problem of horse riding in Epping Forest; and article 'Wildfowl and Recreation: a balance of requirements'.

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ATH/SC/1/4/3 International Committee 1969

Includes correspondence; typescript papers entitled 'European Festival of Recreation', 'British Council Sports Fund 1969-70', 'Preparation Training for the 1970 Commonwealth Games', 'UK Representation at International Professional Meetings', 'Suggestions for future work of the International Committee' and 'Current Applications for Grant'.

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ATH/SC/1/4/4 Research Committee 1969

Contains minutes of meetings 21 January 1969 to 18 November 1969. Includes survey by North Regional Planning Committee titled 'Outdoor Leisure Activities in the Northern Region'.

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- ATH/SC/1/4/5 Sports Development and Coaching Committee 1969
- Contains minutes of meetings 14 January 1969 to 18 December 1969. Includes 'Report of the Working Party on Association Football in Wales' and 'Problems of Amateurism and Professionalism in British Sport'.
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- Access: Open
- ATH/SC/1/4/6 Yacting Facilities Working Party 1969-1972
- Various minutes and supporting papers concerning issues around the possible siting of facilities for sailing around the coast of England and Wales and the provision of such facilities. Papers dated 1969-1972 although majority cover 1971.
- 1 file
- Access: Open
- ATH/SC/1/4/7 Miscellaneous papers [c 1969]
- Comprising typescript chapters for an inquiry relating to leisure, physical education and sport. Fieldwork for this inquiry was carried out between September 1965 and March 1966
- 1 file
- Access: Open
- ATH/SC/1/5 Minutes and papers: 1970 1968-1973
- Extensive sequence of papers primarily dated 1970. The papers include minutes generated by the various committees along with various supporting papers and documents.
- Although the files were originally labelled '1970', some papers cover 1968 and 1970 to 1973.
- 8 files

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	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/5/1	Sports Council	1970
	Contains minutes of meetings 11 February 1970 to 17 December 1970	
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	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/5/2	Facilities Planning Committee	1970
	Contains minutes of meetings 26 January 1970 to 17 November 1970. With various supporting papers concerning public expenditure on sport and an amenity use of reservoirs survey.	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/5/3	International Committee	1970
	Contains minutes of meetings 12 January 1970 to 2 November 1970. With supporting papers including report of Joint Working Party of Sports Council and British Olympic Association (BOA) focusing on obtaining future grants for BOA.	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/5/4	Research Committee	1970
	Contains minutes of meetings 20 January 1970 to 17 November 1970. With supporting papers including reference to National Angling Survey; information about the establishment of National Centre for Athletics Literature (NCAL); taxation of sport; detection of anabolic steroids; and indoor centres.	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/5/5	Sports Development and Coaching Committee	1970

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	<p>Contains minutes of meetings 27 January 1970 to 3 November 1970. With supporting papers including professionalism in rugby football and and grant aid information.</p> <p>1 file</p> <p>Access: Open</p>	
ATH/SC/1/5/6	<p>Study Groups</p> <p>Various minutes and meeting papers relating to various study groups including 'Fitness Study Group'; 'Study Group on National Appraisal'; and items relating to the Sports Council visit to North East England, 1968.</p> <p>1 file</p> <p>Access: Open</p>	1968-1970
ATH/SC/1/5/7	<p>Community Use of Sports Facilities Working Group</p> <p>Papers covering 1970 to 1972 including various minutes, typescript reports and items of correspondence.</p> <p>1 file</p> <p>Access: Open</p>	1970-1972
ATH/SC/1/5/8	<p>Miscellaneous papers</p> <p>Mainly various items of correspondence sent to the Sports Council, or one of its constituent committees dated 1970-1973.</p> <p>1 file</p> <p>Access: Open</p>	1970-1973
ATH/SC/1/6	<p>Minutes and papers: 1971-1972</p> <p>Extensive sequence of papers covering 1971 to 1972. The papers include minutes generated by the various committees along with various supporting papers and documents.</p> <p>9 files</p>	1971-1972

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	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/6/1	Sports Council	1971
	Contains minutes of meetings 11 February 1971 to 22 July 1971. Supporting papers and documents including typescript reports 'Underprivilege in Sport' and 'Siting of Yacht Harbours'. Some papers relate to capital investment for sports facilities, indoor swimming pools, indoor sports centres and golf courses.	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/6/2	Facilities Planning Committee	1971
	Contains minutes of meetings 19 January 1971 to 22 June 1971. With various reports including 'A strategy for the recreational use of water resources in the East Midlands' and other papers relating to water recreation.	
	2 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/6/3	International Committee	1971
	Contains minutes of meetings 11 January 1971 to 12 July 1971	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/6/4	Research Committee	1971
	Contains minutes of meetings 19 January 1971 to 22 June 1971	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/6/5	Sports Development and Coaching Committee	1971
	Contains minutes of meetings 12 January 1971 to 6 July 1971. Includes report 'An Inquiry into Sponsorship'.	

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ATH/SC/1/6/6	Sport for Disabled	1971-1972
	Contains papers, reports, publications and correspondence covering 1971 to 1972	
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	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/6/7	Countryside and Water Recreation Working Group	1971-1972
	Various papers covering 1971 to 1972. Includes 'Recreation News Supplement', No.3, March 1971; and other publications, reports and correspondence.	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/6/8	Miscellaneous papers	1971-1972
	Includes correspondence and papers relating to Provision and Design of Sports Facilities Working Group.	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/7	Minutes and papers: 1972-1974	1972-1974
	Extensive sequence of papers covering 1972 to 1974. Includes papers generated by The Sports Council and its various committees including Finance Committee; [Information] Research Committee; and Sport Development Committee. There are also files of papers labelled 'Sport for Disabled', 'Sport for All', 'Yachting Facilities' and 'Miscellaneous'.	
	The papers include minutes generated by the various committees along with various supporting papers and documents.	
	11 files	

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ATH/SC/1/7/1	Sports Council	1972-1974
	Contains minutes of meetings 17 January 1972 to 11 February 1974. Includes some minutes of various committees reporting to the Council.	
	2 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/7/2	Finance Committee	1972-1973
	Contains minutes of meetings 13 September 1972 to 7 September 1973	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/7/3	[Information] Research Committee	1972-1973
	Contains minutes of meetings 24 July 1972 to 3 September 1973	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/7/4	Sport Development Committee	1972-1973
	Contains minutes of meetings 19 July 1972 to 10 September 1973	
	1 file	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/7/5	Sport for Disabled	1972-1974
	Various papers covering 1972 to 1974. With correspondence including copy letter from P. C. McIntosh to Barbara Castle MP	
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	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/7/6	Sport for All	[c 1972]
	Papers concerning the campaign 'Sport for All',	

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a national campaign to bring attention to the urgent need for more facilities for various sports activities.

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ATH/SC/1/7/7 Yachting Facilities [c 1972]

Report concerning 'A National Yacht Racing Centre' with various papers generated by the Yachting Facilities Working Group/

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Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/7/8 Miscellaneous 1972-1973

Extensive sequence of papers, correspondence and reports including 'Water Recreation Research'; loose papers relating to European co-operation for development of sport for all; memorandum on exercise and fitness; minutes of the Publicity Working Group, British Affairs Committee and the Management Committee; Sociological Aspects of Sport Working Group; Grant Aid to National Sports Organisations; and Sports Development Grant Aid.

3 files

Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/8 Minutes and papers: 1973-1979 and 1988-2001 [1960s]-2001

Extensive sequence of loose administrative papers relating to the work of The Sports Council between 1973 and 2001. Includes minutes and meeting papers; memorandums; correspondence and copy correspondence; reports of working parties; business and corporate plans; and financial management papers.

Throughout this period meetings appear to be held monthly. Council members comprised Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Members, Department of National Heritage, Observers,

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Director General, Director of National Services, Director of Regional Services, Director of National Centres, Director of Finance, Director of Management Services and Secretary. Issues discussed include grant allocations, doping controls, Commonwealth and Olympic Games alongside wider issues relating to recreation and recreation management across the United Kingdom.

In addition to papers of The Sports Council, these files include papers relating to various committees reporting to the Council. These include the British Affairs Committee; Management Committee; Sports Development Committee; Facilities Committee; Finance Committee; and Information Research Committee.

Papers covering 1973 to 1975 include items concerning the work of the National Documentation Centre for Sport, Physical Education and Recreation alongside some reports concerning grant aid. Some papers dated 1994 to 1995 relate to a proposed restructuring of The Sports Council. Later papers, covering 1997 to 2001 include extensive paperwork relating to applications made to the National Lottery Sports Fund.

Although the minute sequence primarily covers 1973-2001, there are some earlier consultation papers and reports included in the files.

72 files

Access: Open

ATH/SC/1/8/1 Sports Council loose papers 1973-1974

Contains minutes of meetings 15 January 1973 to 30 October 1974

6 files

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ATH/SC/1/8/2 Sports Council loose papers 1973-1979

Contains minutes of meetings 20 November 1973 to 12 March 1979

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	2 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/8/3	Sports Council loose papers	1988-1989
	Contains minutes of meetings 31 October 1988 to 11 December 1989	
	3 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/8/4	Sports Council loose papers	1990
	Contains minutes of meetings 8 January 1990 to 3 December 1990	
	3 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/8/5	Sports Council loose papers	1991
	Contains minutes of meetings 7 January 1991 to 11 November 1991	
	3 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/8/6	Sports Council loose papers	1992
	Contains minutes of meetings 6 January 1992 to 7 December 1992	
	5 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/8/7	Sports Council loose papers	1993
	Contains minutes of meetings 11 January 1993 to 6 December 1993	
	3 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/8/8	Sports Council loose papers	1994
	Contains minutes of meetings 10 January	

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	1994 to 5 December 1994	
	3 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/8/9	Sports Council loose papers	1995
	Contains minutes of meetings 9 January 1995 to 4 December 1995	
	3 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/8/10	Sports Council loose papers	1996
	Contains minutes of meetings 8 January 1996 to 16 December 1996	
	5 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/8/11	Sports Council loose papers	1997
	Contains minutes of meetings 6 January 1997 to 15 December 1997	
	8 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/8/12	Sports Council loose papers	1998
	Contains minutes of meetings 12 January 1998 to 7 December 1998	
	9 files	
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ATH/SC/1/8/13	Sports Council loose papers	1999
	Contains minutes of meetings 13 January 1999 to 21 December 1999	
	8 files	
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ATH/SC/1/8/14	Sports Council loose papers	2000

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	Contains minutes of meetings 17 January 2000 to 4 December 2000	
	6 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/1/8/15	Sports Council loose papers	2001
	Contains minutes of meetings 8 January 2001 to 3 September 2001	
	5 files	
	Access: Open	
ATH/SC/2	Collected publications	[1940s]-[c 2001]
	Comprises Parliamentary papers and related material, including some photocopies; incomplete sequenec of 'Sports Development Bulletin', a publication produced by The Sports Council; and various miscellaneous other publications.	
	2 boxes, 2 files and 13 items	
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ATH/SC/2/1	Parliamentary papers	[1960s]-[1970s]
	Various miscellaneous Parliamentary papers, including copies of Hansard, some of which concern relations between The Sports Council and The Central Council of Physical Recreation (CCPR). Other papers deal with relations between Roger Bannister and Denis Howell during the 1970s.	
	Includes photocopied material.	
	2 files	
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ATH/SC/2/2	Sports Development Bulletin	1968-1973
	Incomplete series of 'Sports Development Bulletin', initially compiled by John Birch and reproduced from 'Sport and Recreation', the quarterly journal of the Central Council of Physical Recreation. Later issues were	

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/1: No.2, January 1968

/2: No.3, April 1968

/3: No.4, July 1968

/4: No.5, October 1968

/5: No.10, January 1970

/6: No.12, July 1970

/7: No.13, October 1970

/8: No.14, January 1971

/9: No.15, April 1971

/10: No.16, July 1971

/11: No.17, October 1971

/12: No.19, April 1972

/13: No.22, Winter 1972-1973

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Miscellaneous publications

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Various printed publications, reports and promotional leaflets relating to sport, health and fitness. Some items published by The Health Education Council. There are also some photocopied articles and a small number of published reports from The Sports Council.

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