

## The archive of the Donald Healey Motor Company held at the Warwickshire County Record Office

### Searching the online catalogue

The project to sort, list and conserve the records of the Donald Healey Motor Company (reference number CR4804) at Warwickshire County Record Office has been completed. The online catalogue is now available on the record office's website called **Warwickshire's Past Unlocked** at: <http://archivesunlocked.warwickshire.gov.uk/calmview/>

There are several ways of using the online catalogue to find Healey material.

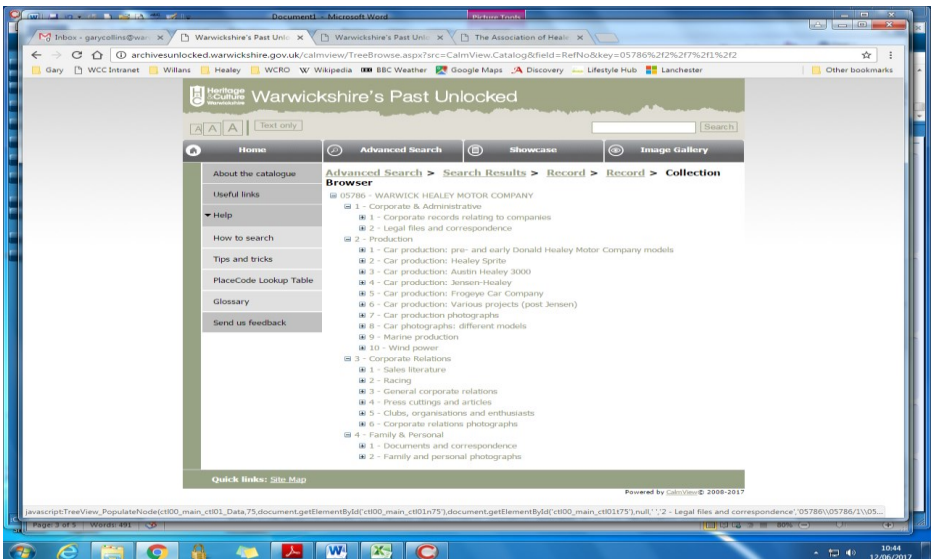
You can type a search term into the 'Search' box in the top right hand corner of the catalogue page and click 'Search'. But the best option is to make a more detailed search by clicking on '**Advanced Search**' in the navigation bar near the top of the catalogue page.

In Advanced Search for example your search term(s) could be 'Healey' plus other words e.g. a particular car or person you are interested in, and then use the other fields in the 'refine search criteria' links to help narrow down your search. Beware of overloading the search boxes with too much detailed criteria.

Warwickshire's Past Unlocked is the online catalogue for all the record office's collections so you may wish to isolate the Healey archive. You can do this by typing the Healey catalogue reference number followed by an asterisk CR4804\* into the DocRefNo field.

This will produce a list of all the Healey records in order and you can read individual entries by clicking on the View Record link to the left of the reference numbers. You can then click on the heading 05786-Warwick Healey Motor Company for the full catalogue introduction.

You can see the catalogue structure by clicking on WARWICK HEALEY MOTOR COMPANY in the title field and this will bring up the following page; which is a good way to navigate the full catalogue to make sure you have not missed anything:



The main sections are:

- Corporate & Administrative, which includes material relating to holding and subsidiary companies and has items such as memoranda and articles of association, registers, minutes, financial information and accounts, staff agreements, etc. This section also has legal files & correspondence relating to various projects and mostly concerns agreements; issues relating to copyright, licensing, trademarks and protection of the Healey name and marque.
- Production: material relating to the production of cars. Includes sub-sections on different models such as pre-and early Donald Healey Motor Co., Sprite, Austin Healey 3000, Jensen Healey, Frogeye Car Company, various projects (including post British Motor Corporation). There are also sub-sections on production photos, different models photos, the marine (boat building) subsidiary, and generating electricity from wind power.
- Corporate Relations: includes company sales literature, files and photographs relating to racing, general corporate relations material (including enquiries), press cuttings and articles, material from clubs and enthusiasts.
- Family & Personal: documents and photographs including Donald Healey's career before starting his own company.

You can move around the structure by opening and closing the plus and minus signs to get to individual items. Click on the item level description to get the document reference number. Once you have looked at an item's description you can get back to the structure by clicking on the item's title field.

Help on how to make a search is available on our [Warwickshire's Past Unlocked tutorial](#).

If you need further assistance you can contact the Record Office at Priory Park, Cape Road, Warwick, CV34 4JS or email [recordoffice@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:recordoffice@warwickshire.gov.uk)

## Visiting us

You can visit the office free of charge during opening hours to view the collection in person. The office is open Wednesdays to Fridays and Saturday morning. You will be asked to register at reception to acquire a reader's ticket if you don't already have one. You can order a limited number of documents in advance if you have a reader's ticket or pay an admin. fee for advanced orders without a reader's ticket. You are advised to look at the record office website for further details relating to ordering documents, opening hours, document production times, answering enquiries, parking and location.

## Acquiring copies and publishing

There are various ways to obtain copies; our website outlines charges for photocopies and digital copies. You can also purchase a photo permit if you wish to use a digital camera or mobile device. You will be asked to complete a form for taking photographs and also if you wish to publish material from the collection in any form. The record office may charge a publication fee depending on the usage.

The record office website can be found at [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/countyrecordoffice](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/countyrecordoffice)

Look for the link to frequently asked questions.



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