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Catalogue of the correspondence and papers of

Gulielma Maw (1906-2004)

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Title: Catalogue of the correspondence and papers of Gulielma Maw (1906-2004),
educationalist and councillor.

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GENERAL INTRODUCTION

PROVENANCE

The collection was donated to the Library by Mrs Barbara Maw, Gulielma Maw's daughter in law, in May 2022.

BRIEF OUTLINE OF THE CAREER OF GULIELMA MAW

Gulielma Maw (née Colbert) was born in Knaresborough, North Yorkshire, in 1906. She studied in Oxford marrying Daniel Scarrat Maw (1903-1984) in 1929. During her career she served as a JP, a magistrate and was Mayor of Bath from 1962 to 1963. She was a long-serving member of Bath Council Education Committee, which she also chaired for many years. She was a member of the Executive Committee of the National Association of Education Research and addressed the Conference of the Association of Education Committees on several occasions. Gulielma Maw was made an Honorary Alderman of Bath in recognition of her services to the city.

DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

The material covers the period from 1963 to 2004 mainly comprising notes, papers, reports and correspondence relating to Gulielma Maw's involvement with and support for the establishment and early development of Bath University of Technology (later the University of Bath) during the 1960s.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We are grateful to Barbara Maw for her assistance in making this material available.

SECTION A **MATERIAL RELATING TO THE FOUNDATION** **1963-2004**
OF BATH UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY (LATER
THE UNIVERSITY OF BATH)

This section contains material relating to the setting up and early development of Bath University of Technology, later the University of Bath. The University received its royal charter of foundation on 25th October 1966 but, via Bristol College of Science and Technology, can trace its origins as far back as the late 19th century.

Gulielma Maw was a leading member of Bath Council Education Committee at a time when civic authorities across the UK were working actively to establish new universities in response to a government decision to increase graduate numbers particularly in the areas of science and technology. She served on and chaired numerous sub-committees, was a member of the Bristol College of Science and Technology Board of Trustees and represented Bath Council on committees of the University of Bristol and the University of Bath. Her extensive experience and strong interest in education and educational provision meant that she contributed to decision-making at the highest levels and was closely involved in early discussions about the possibility of a new university for Bath. These led to negotiations with the governors of Bristol College of Science and Technology, which needed premises for expansion, and eventually resulted in the formal offer of a suitable site - Norwood Playing Fields – to the east of the city of Bath.

The material presented here comprises letters, minutes, briefing papers, reports, internal publications, and newspaper cuttings relating to Gulielma Maw's Bath Council Education Committee work with a focus on activity connected to the establishment of Bath University of Technology.

The presentation is chronological.

A/1 1963.

A/2 1964.

A/3-A/5 1965.

Three folders.

A/6-A/11 1966.
Six folders.

A/12 1967.

A/13 1968-1969.

A/14 1982.

A/15 1991-1996.

A/16 2004.