

Paper Collections at Canterbury Cathedral

The Cathedral has cared for archives and books since Anglo-Saxon times. The current collection includes around 30 charters dating from before the Norman Conquest to the 8th Century. These artefacts pre-date the earliest parts of the Cathedral building and as such are our oldest possessions. The Archives & Library also hold 30,000 books and pamphlets from before 1900.

As well as housing the Cathedral's collections, we are entrusted with the curation of records belonging to the City of Canterbury, Canterbury Diocese and East Kent parishes. The Archives & Library team also cares for a number of corporate and private collections. In total, this amounts to a staggering 2,000m (6,560ft) of documents!

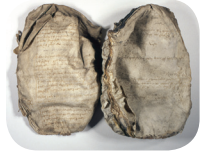
As conservation and curatorial methods advance, we are committed to improving how our treasures are displayed, interpreted and accessed. This includes loaning items to trusted partners like The British Library and exploring ways to exhibit collections about the Cathedral and Precincts.



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The Work of our Conservators

The care of our precious collections is delivered by a dedicated Archives & Library team of specialists and conservators. They work to ensure items are available to scholars, local groups and the public, whilst protecting them for future generations. This balancing act requires a keen understanding of collections management, including knowledge of climate-controlled storage and conservation techniques.



The team is also working on a programme of photography and digitisation to improve remote access to items. They respond to hundreds of enquiries each year, from family history to requests to publish from our collections.



Supporting our Treasures

You can help to meet the complex needs of our diverse collections. A gift of £25 could enable the safe storage of our most delicate items. £100 could help to purchase specialist tools for paper conservation. We will send you a personal card of thanks, and you can have a name added to a Book of Donors, to be held in the Reading Room.

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