## PRESTON PARK MUSEUM AND GROUNDS





Topic	Disposals From Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council, Preston Park Museum
Overview	Preston Park Museum & Grounds shares the extraordinary stories of the people and history of Stockton-on-Tees through an eclectic collection consisting of 100,000 objects.  In 2023, the Museum was awarded a National Heritage Lottery Fund grant to improve the management of its collections. The two-year rationalisation project will help reinterpret and bring new life to objects significant to the local area, whilst rehoming objects which no longer align with our current Collections Development Policy.  The objects listed in this document include chests and luggage cases. They are of differing sizes and conditions and have been stored at the Museum's off-site storage warehouse for a number of years.
Reasons	<ul> <li>The Museum's criteria for disposal include but are not limited to the list below and are lifted from our Collections Development Policy. One or more of the following factors are applicable to each of the listed objects.</li> <li>The object does not follow our collecting priorities.</li> <li>The object does not help us to tell the story of the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees.</li> <li>The object is of poor quality compared with other examples.</li> <li>There are similar or duplicate objects at the museum.</li> <li>The object no longer meets the aims of the museum and would be best placed in another museum's or organisation's collection.</li> </ul>
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## **Transfers from the Preston Park Museum Collection**

Object Number	Description	Image
T03887	Large brown chest with round top lid	
	Fair condition, no hazards.	

T03446	Pale green painted wooden chest with metal hinge, handles and a hasp. Marked 'W N Leng' on lid.  Fair condition, no hazards.	
T03736	Brown metal trunk box. Fair condition, no hazards	
T00578	Brown suitcase with expanding locks. Warped and scratched body Fair condition, no hazards	
T00577	Brown, squarish suitcase or hat box.  Good condition, no hazards	
T00593	Wooden chest used to hold plans.  Fair condition, no hazards	

T01276	Leather suitcase, light brown, lid marked '7597594 SQMS J H Barker R.E.M.E' Poor condition, no hazards	
PH226/1989	One dress trunk. Dated C 1910. Large dress trunk-wooden construction covered in brown leatherette on outside, reinforced by wooden spars gives it a chest-like appearance. The lid is domed and is hinged at the back with fasteners, at the front are three fasteners, two spring clips and one staple back. Brass strips all round outside of trunk- decoration. Leather carrying straps on end panels-one missing. Inside is lined with cream paper, and in the lid is a criss-cross of a pink tape small 'lips' of metal set in each corner. Originally a tray for small items would have vested on those missing.  Fair condition, no hazards	
T00589	Canvas covered trunk, pale green, suitcase shaped.  Poor condition, no hazards	
T05208	An early 19th century travelling trunk with a fur exterior and the initials N. G. Makers mark, 'George Smith Saddle Cap Harness & Trunk Manufacturer, Lancaster.'  Fair condition, no hazards	

T04914	Leather trunk heavily repaired no lid & severe rodent damage.  Poor condition, no hazards	
STCMG:1976.1880	Travelling trunk, black & brown leather initials A.M.L on side. 'Barker & Sons, Leeds' label on inside. Perished leather straps.  Fair condition, no hazards	
PH1432/1986	Wicker basket - covered in black cloth. Inside is a list-out compartment. Handles at either side, lock and fastening straps missing. Curved lid with ten leather, corners or trunk also edged with leather. Fitted with castors on the base. Initials 'M G I on side'.  Poor condition, suspected mould and woodworm	
T00173	Yellow painted metal trunk with green interior, hinged lid.  Fair condition, no hazards	

STCMG:1976.2313	Travelling hat trunk. Leather is flaking.  Fair condition, no hazards	
PH484/1989	Tin trunk, rectangular shape-domed hinged lid, fastens at front. Badly rusted. With hinged staple-metal bar carrying handles, one on each side panel. Interior has been hand-painted green.  Poor condition, no hazards	
T01320	Green metal trunk, green, metal handles with three studs on lid. Rusting  Fair condition, no hazards	
T00588	Large leatherette covered wicker trunk. 'A.M.W'. Woodworm holes to wicker frame.  Fair condition, no hazards	
T00587	Large wicker, dome topped trunk with leatherette covering. Woodworm holes to wicker frame. Disintegrating and worn fabric all over.  Poor condition, no hazards	

T00591	Brown leatherette trunk with leather trim. Embossed 'TWJ'. Worn leather edges and corners  Fair condition, no hazards	
T01312	Tin trunk with two studs on the lid and metal clasp. Dented and rusty.  Poor condition, no hazards	
T00590	Suitcase in black leatherette, no contents.  Poor condition, no hazards	