RUNCORN HISTORY RESEARCH

1. PRIMARY SOURCES

A. Parliamentary

A.1 Acts and Orders of Parliament

Inclosure Halton or Moor Moss Act 1816

Runcorn Improvement Act 1852
Runcorn Commissioners Act 1893
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Cheshire Constabulary 1852

Runcorn, Weston & Halton Waterworks Act 1865
Runcorn, Weston & Halton Waterworks (Capital) Act 1870
Runcorn District Water Board Act 1923
Runcorn & District Water Board Act 1962

Runcorn Gas Act 1847
Runcorn Gas Act 1885

Runcorn & Weston Lighting (draft) Order 1910
Runcorn Urban & Runcorn Rural Electric Light Order 1910
Electric Lighting Orders (Confirmation No. 1) Act 1910

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Cheshire & Lancashire County Councils (Runcorn – Widnes Bridge) Act 1947
Runcorn - Widnes Bridge Act 1955

Chester and Warrington Turnpike Act 1786
Runcorn and Northwich Turnpike Act 1818

Weston Point Light Railway, Order 1920

Upper Mersey Navigation Act 1876
Weaver Navigation Act 1720
Weaver Navigation Act 1760
Weaver Navigation Act 1807
Weaver Navigation Act 1840
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Bridgewater Trust (ref. Weston Canal) Act 1857
The Bridgewater Canal (Waterloo Bridge) (Local Enactments) Order 1973

Manchester Ship Canal Act 1885
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Manchester Ship Canal (Tidal openings) Act 1890
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Trent & Mersey Canal Act 1766

Weston Canal Act 1805

Runcorn & Weston Canal Act 1807?

The Rivers Pollution Commission – Answers to Questions - January, 1869

The Report of the Commissioners on Charities in England & Wales relating to the County of Chester 1818-1837
B. Local Authority

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Market 1.9.1856
Market 1.12.1856
Building 5.3.1866
Runcorn Heath & Hill 4.4.1901
Slaughterhouses 4.2.1903
Town Hall Grounds 1.12.1949
Sale & Handling of Food 9.3.1950
Tents, Vans, & Sheds 17.10.1951
Building 1.6.1954
Hairdressers and Barbers 4.10.54
Regulation of Emission of Black Smoke 7.3.1955
Building 1.10.1957
Public Libraries 24.9.1958
Building 2.5.1960
Cheshire County Council 30.6.1961
Transporter Bridge 19.1.1905
Transporter Bridge 10.6.1913

B. 2 Proceedings

Abstract of the Runcorn Select Vestry Minutes 1751-1851
Runcorn Select Vestry Minutes April 1830 to October, 1930

a. Gas & Lighting Inspectors November, 1838 to October, 1952
b. Runcorn Improvement Commissioners Minutes November, 1852 to December, 1894
c. Special Committees February, 1874 to November, 1886
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g. Finance Committee November, 1852 to February, 1886.
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