

## **Hickton & Farmer 1896 - ?**

Hickton & Farmer was an architectural partnership formed by [John Harry Woodall Hickton](#) (1868-1940) and [Henry Edward Farmer](#) (1868-1934) in Walsall, Staffordshire, England in 1896. The firm specialised in the design of cinemas. By 1910, they were the architects to Electric Picture Palaces, Midlands Ltd, and were designing cinemas for them in Birmingham. The firm specialised in the design of cinemas. By 1910, they were the architects to Electric Picture Palaces, Midlands Ltd, and were designing cinemas for them in Birmingham. They also designed numerous cinemas for other firms throughout Britain.

Hickton & Farmer submitted an entry in a competition to design the Middle School for Boys and Girls in Tiverton, Devon. Their designs are illustrated in British Competitions in Architecture vol. 2, no. 20, February 1909 (pp. 263).

By 1923 Hickton & Farmer had been renamed Hickton, Farmer & Farmer. The partnership seems to have been dissolved by 1932 as Hickton and Farmer & Farmer are listed separately in the Kelly's Directory for that year, however, both give 4, St Paul's Close, Walsall as their office address.

Worked in

UK

Works

Romford High Schools; cinemas in Exeter, Portsmouth, Hove, Walsall, West Bromwich, King's Norton, Hanley, Attercliffe. New Whittington, Leicester, Wolverhampton, Birmingham, and Sheffield. Chepstow: — New Villages and Hospital, Ministry of Shipping; Housing at Jarrow, Hepburn, Newcastle, etc., for the Ministry of Shipping, 1916-18. Boys' riveting schools at Beverley, Invergordon, Irvine, Scotstoun, and Willington Quay, for the Admiralty. Housing Schemes: — Oakengates, Brierley Hill, City of Birmingham, Erdington, Alum Rock, South Yardley, and Hall green. Churches: — Walsall (Wesleyan), Bloxwich (P.M.), Woodford, London, N. (P.M.), and Brierley Hill (P.M.). Various residences at Sheffield; South Elmsall, Yorks; and Knowle. (Many of the above works were executed in partnership with J. H. Hickton, F.R.I.B.A.) [Source: Entry on Henry Edward Farmer in Who's Who in Architecture 1926]

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