

## **Butterworth, Thomas 1856 - 1939**

Thomas Butterworth was born in Rochdale, Lancashire, England in 1856. He was articled to Stott and Butterworth in Rochdale in 1872 and remained with them as their assistant for some years. He also worked as an assistant to Andrews & Titmus in Manchester, In 1893 he formed a partnership with John Harris Andrews (1846-1907) as Andrews & Butterworth in Manchester, Lancashire. Following the death of Andrews, Butterworth continued the practice with the name unchanged. until the late-1930's. His son, Harold Butterworth (1893-1969), subsequently joined the practice and took it over following his father's death.

Thomas Butterworth was elected a Licentiate of the Royal Institute of British Architects (LRIBA) in 1911. His address was given as 78 King Street, Manchester in 1911; 105 Dernley, Rochester in 1911 and 1914; 19, Brazenose Street, Manchester in 1923 and 1926; and 9 St. James Square, Manchester in 1930. He died at 49 Sherbourne Road, Blackpool,, Lancashire on 6 January 1939. His obituary appeared in The Rochdale Observer 12 August 1939 p.11.

Note: there appear to have been two architects with the name Thomas Butterworth practising in Lancashire at the beginning of the twentieth century. The 1911 Census for England and Wales records a Thomas Butterworth, Architect. His address is given as 108 Tweedale Street, Rochdale and his age is given as 42, which means that he would have been born in c.1869. Like Thomas Butterworth (1856-1939) the Census return also gives his place of birth as Rochdale. This could be an error on the part of the enumerator who recorded the wrong age of the architect, however, there is no mention in the Census return of a son, Harold. Thomas Butterworth (1856-1939) had a son, Harold, born in 1893, who subsequently became an architect.

Worked in

UK

Works

Bloom Street Electricity Station, Manchester Corporation; Mosley Hotel, Piccadilly, Manchester; business premises and shops, Oldham Street, Manchester; corset works for Messrs. J. S. Blair and Son, Manchester; blocks of warehouses, Whitworth Street, etc., for Sackville Estate Company and others; Johnson Street Council Schools, Manchester; various churches and schools; wholesale bakeries for Messrs. Hy. Whittle, Ltd., Littleborough, Manchester; various bakeries around

Manchester; office premises, Deansgate, Manchester; general domestic work

## Bibliography

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## Links

- Architects of Greater Manchester 1800-1940

<https://manchestervictorianarchitects.org.uk/index.php/architects/thomas-butterworth>

- English Heritage - Benger House

<https://moderngov.cheshireeast.gov.uk/documents/s21631/List%20of%20Historic%20Buildings%20Appendix%201.pdf>