

## The Business of Archives: Refreshing the Conversation between Academics and Archivists



## Thursday 13th November, National Railway Museum, York (9am)

Academics and business archivists have many common interests: they want historical collections preserved, made available, used and cared for by expert staff. Working together, there is much they can do to advocate for collections, make them more visible to and valued by parent organisations and in wider research communities, and promote their use internally and externally. In 2019, BAC published a short, accessible guide to <u>facilitating academic-archivist collaboration</u>, co-produced by a small group of business archivists and Dr Alix Green, a historian who's now a BAC Trustee, tailored to specific concerns and constraints of business archives.

The authors expressed the hope 'that a network of business archivists and collaboratively-minded academics will grow and be able to share experience and expertise.' Now seems a good time to take some practical steps to make that happen. Much has changed in the last 6 years, in both universities and business archives; the pressures have increased, making it all the more important to work in partnership.

This FREE breakfast networking event takes place from 9am to 10am before the main Business Archives conference 'Just the Ticket'. Our aim is to bring together academics and archivists over a cuppa and pastry to identify the priorities for collaboration and some practical steps that can be taken to make it easier for both parties.

If you're interested in attending, please register your interest by emailing <a href="mailto:Business.Bites.Contact@gmail.com">Business.Bites.Contact@gmail.com</a> so we can confirm numbers. If you're able, please do read through the short <a href="mailto:guidance document">guidance document</a> (9pp) ahead of time.