



M328 Restoration of belfry, Lochwinnoch Auld Kirk

Introduction

Only one bay of this church survives, dated 1729. The square, open-sided bellcote on top of the gable was restored by Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh in 1913–14.

Authorship: This is one of over 270 jobs carried out in the office of John Honeyman & Keppie (Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh from 1901) during Mackintosh's time there. Mackintosh undoubtedly worked on many of these, but there is no specific evidence for his involvement in this case.

Alternative names: Auld Simon; Old Simon; St John's Church; St Winnoc's Church; St Winnock's Church.

Cost from job book: £65 11s 8d

Status: Standing building

Current use: Historic monument

Listing category: B

Historic Scotland/HB Number: 12622

RCAHMS Site Number: NS35NE 3

Grid reference: NS 35595 59122

Chronology

1913

November: Tenders from principal contractors accepted. ¹

1914

22 September: Final payment for mason work. ²

People

Contractors:

- James Keanie
- McGeoch & Co.
- J. C. Wilson & Co.

Job Book

The job books of Honeyman & Keppie (later Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh) are now held by The Hunterian, University of Glasgow and include four volumes related to the Mackintosh period. The books were used by the firm to keep a project-by-project, day-by-day record of contractors, suppliers and expenditure. The name of a project and/or client is usually at the top of the left-hand page, followed by information about tradesmen who tendered. The name of the measurer (quantity surveyor) is usually at the top of the right-hand page, followed by information about payments to contractors and suppliers. All of the data for M328 is entered in the tables below.

Page numbering is not consistent in the job books. Sometimes a single number refers to a double-page spread and sometimes each page is individually numbered. Here, each image of a double-page spread is identified by the number given at the top of the left-hand page. (Images of all of the pages from the four job books can be found at [Browse Job Books, Visit Book and Cash Book.](#))

The following information about M328 has been extracted from the job books:



Job book: 53063
Page: 105

Tenders:

Contractor	Type	Address	Date	Value	Accepted
James Keanie	mason work	Darconnel, Johnstone	5 November 1913	£20 0s 0d	yes
James Keanie	joinery	Darconnel, Johnstone	5 November 1913	£10 10s 0d ¹	yes
William McGeoch & Co.	metal work	no data in job book	5 November 1913	£12 12s 0d ²	no
Daniel McCallum	mason work & scaffolding	no data in job book	5 November 1913	£44 0s 0d	no
James Grant	joinery	no data in job book	5 November 1913	£3 3s 0d ³	no
McGeoch & Co.	metal work	no data in job book	13 November 1913	£9 11s 0d ⁴	yes
J. C. Wilson & Co.	iron work	no data in job book	31 March 1914	£8 17s 6d ⁵	yes

Payments (trades):

Name	Type	Payment out sum
J. C. Wilson & Co.	iron work	Payment date: 17 July 1914 £8 17s 6d ⁶
James Keanie	mason work	Payment date: 22 September 1914 £56 14s 2d ⁷

Documents

Images



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Bibliography

Published

- Frank Arneil Walker, *The South Clyde Estuary. An Illustrated Guide to Inverclyde and Renfrew*, Edinburgh: Scottish Academic Press, 1986, p. 71

Notes:

- 1: The Hunterian, University of Glasgow: Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh job book, GLAHA 53063, p. 105.
- 2: The Hunterian, University of Glasgow: Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh job book, GLAHA 53063, p. 105.
- 3: Tender for 'scaffolding & stool for bell, teak wood. Teak wood stool [illegible]'.
- 4: Comprises £6 8s 0d for '4 Bronze metal clamps round pillars' at 32s each; £3 4s 0d for '2 straps at bell beam' at 32s each, and £3 for '1 4way

crossbars' at 60s each.

5: For 'teak wood stool'.

6: Comprises £4 4s 0d for '4 B.M. clamps' at 21s each; £2 2s 0d for '2 do. do.' at 21s each; and £3 5s 0d for '1 4way crossbars' at 65s each; 'only cross bars to be done'.

7: Comprises £7 10s 0d for 'Iron cradle for bell' and £1 7s 6d for 'Erecting same'.

8: For 'Bell'.

9: Comprises 'original contract', £20; 'extra stones owing to change of bell stool', £4 17s 0d; '[illegible] ball & plough', £9 15s 0d; 'Scaffolding', £12 10s 0d; 'McGeoch & Co. account', £6 18s 0d; 'blacksmith', £1 10s 6d; 'Repairing slates', 18s 0d; '30 F. S. slates & nails', 5s 8d.

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