

Request for Disposal & Deaccession

Accession number(s)

1996/18/1/1	Cardboard box with shallow lid for Bowler Hat
1996/18/1/2	Bowler hat
1996/18/2	Motorcycle hat
1996/18/3	Wedding hat
1996/18/4	Child's bonnet
1996/18/5	Child's wool hat
1996/18/6	Child's straw hat

Currently in the costume store, Northleach Resource Centre

Reason for Requested Disposal & Deaccession

A request has been made by a representative of the donor, for the return of these hats. The hats belonged to two sisters, who donated in them in the 1990's, because they enjoyed visiting the Cotswold Countryside Collection and wanted the hats to be part of that social history collection. The hats were accessioned to the collection but the donation forms were never signed – their representative has emailed me a photograph of the unsigned form. This is a historical error.

The hats have never been on display and have always been in store. Now the Countryside Collection has closed, and the Corinium Museum has an archaeological focus, these hats would fall outside our collecting remit. We occasionally consider taking in social and rural history where an item is significant and has a direct Cotswold link, though manufacture or connection with a notable historical figure, or if not already represented in the collection. However, contemporarily there would not be a good case for continuing to hold these in the museum collection and therefore we believe there is strong argument for disposal/return to the donors.

Corinium Museum seeks Governing Body approval to deaccession the above objects now that the owner has requested return of the hats. The gown is an accessioned museum object but accessioned in error as evidenced by the paper trail. It is still however, accessioned and therefore under the current ownership of Cotswold District Council.

Disposal information

- Exit number -
- Date of disposal -
- The method of disposal – return to Donor.
- Disposal authoriser -
- The date of the authorisation –

- Museum Director's signature -
- Other information – CDC meeting date and minute number

- Deaccession date -
- The name and contact details of the recipient of the disposed objects:
Representative of Sly Sisters.
- Disposal recipient – Enid Sly
- Address. –

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