



Sigmacast Iron Ltd (Triplex Foundry / Triplex Lloyd / Triplex Components)

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Date: c.1920 - 1999

Creator: Sigmacast Iron Ltd

Description: BS9/1 Corporate Records (1960-1992) BS9/2 Accounts and Finance Records (1958-1960) BS9/3 Production Records (1931-1954) BS9/4 Promotional and Publicity Material (c.1920-1999) BS9/5 Photographs and Paintings (c.1920-1999)

Admin History: Triplex Foundry was originally set up in Toll End, but moved to Upper Church Lane in the late 1920s/early 1930s. It produced the triple function grate (it heated room, water and cooked food) until World War II, when the foundry made munitions for the war effort. After the war, the company modernised and went over to casting parts for the automotive industry. In the 1990s the company expanded and became one of the main producers of turbo housings for cars - at their peak, approximately 30% of cars had a Triplex-produced turbo.

The company amalgamated with other foundries to become the Triplex Foundry Group, and merged to become Triplex Lloyd in the early 1980s. In the late 1990s / early 2000s they split and were taken over by Doncaster Engineering, becoming Triplex Components. In 2003 a management buyout created a standalone company, called Sigmacast Iron Ltd. In 2005 Sigmacast was taken over by Amtek, who closed the factory down and transferred the work to India. The last casting in the foundry was made on Friday 13 February 2009.

Extent: 3 boxes, 4 large framed items

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