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For information on the Miners strike of 1984/5 see Sources for the Study of the Miners Strike www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives - and - local - studies/publications/miners - strike

Records of trades councils are listed in Political Party Records at Sheffield City Archives and Local Studies www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries/archives - and - local - studies/collections/political - parties

Records of trade associations are not included in this guide.
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**Amalgamated Engineering Union (Sheffield District)**
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Rules, 1908
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Minutes, including some income and expenditure accounts, 1933 - 1997
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Rules, 1872
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Agreed price list with Cutlery Manufacturers Association, 1915
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