

# Headline History – Keighley Library Archives

## Topics for teachers' research.



These information sheets highlight records that we hold within Keighley Local Studies Library for teachers to research themselves and select for copying for use within lessons or to be retrieved by library staff for school class visits. Please give sufficient notice before your visit as the library is booked regularly for events.

### Resources

- Keighley's physical location through early maps and plans and its early development of the textile industry: M. Baumber's study of cottage textile industry; also Wuthering Heights' study by Steve Wood and Peter Brears; Timothy Feather – last cottage weaver
- Low Mill (Yorkshire's first cotton mill) and the growth of mills and mill owners in the town: maps, plans, mill reports, mill archives e.g. Calversyke Mill, BK129, Hodgson's Textile History of Keighley, photographs, trade directories, news cuttings see Textile history resources printout.
- The development of auxiliary trades. Keighley becomes a centre of textile machine making and engineering: clock/watchmakers turn to textile engineering (article): Hattersley's archive and catalogues BK19. Other machines: washing machines and lifts. Related retail and manufacture: Peter Black's history/news cuttings. Business Guides summarise the town's economy
- Lives of masters and workers: health and welfare through mill reports, photos, Year Books, housing variations, feast days, workers' trips and holidays.
- Migration of workers and mill hostels from London orphans at Greenwoods' mills to the hostels shown in BK440/1,5 for girls from mining communities and Ireland. Also the immigration experience: first-hand accounts from Italian, Eastern European and South East Asian workers. Shelf:301.451, 338.476

### Keighley: A product of the Industrial Revolution?

National repercussions evidenced in the market town of Keighley



- 20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> Century: decline (histories) and the re-purposing of mills for housing, art galleries and as film locations:
  - Dalton Mill
  - Local sale notices for mill apartments
  - News cuttings

