



# **PETER ASHMAN MEMORIAL ARCHIVE**

**(PAMA)**

## **PAMA Peter Ashman Memorial Archive 2003-2019**

**Name of Creator:** Ashman, Peter (1950-2014) human rights activist

**Extent:** 14 boxes, 2 posters

**Administrative/Biographical History:** Peter Ashman was a human rights lawyer and activist. Peter studied law at King's College London in the early 1970s. He became involved with the London Gay Liberation Front, helping to produce the final edition of its magazine, 'Coming Out', in 1973.

After completing his Bar finals he spent a couple of years in a commercial law practice before joining JUSTICE, the British section of the International Commission Jurists, as its Legal Officer in 1977. In the mid-1970s he joined the Campaign for Homosexual Equality (at that time, the leading lesbian and gay advocacy organisation for England and Wales), where in 1977 he co-founded its Law Reform Committee. He was to play a leading role throughout the 12 years of the Committee's existence. His vision and knowledge inspired and guided the work of both the CHE Law Reform Committee and the International Gay Association/International Lesbian and Gay Association (IGA/ILGA) up to the 1990s. The IGA/ILGA's objectives and human rights ethos owed much to Ashman's influence.

Ashman's activism spanned the time period covered by this archive (from the days of the Gay Liberation Front to Stonewall, of which he was a founding member, and which operated from his front room for its first six months) and continued well into the 21st century.

**Custodial History:** Deposited with Bishopsgate Institute by Nigel Warner, June 2021

**Scope and Content:** Papers of Peter Ashman. Includes papers and publications regarding CHE Law Reform campaigning documents; minutes of meetings of the CHE Law Reform Committee; 1980 Housing Bill; CHE submission (1981) on the Criminal Law Revision Committee's Working Paper on Sexual Offences; CHE submission (1980) responding to the June 1979 Policy Advisory Committee on Sexual Offences Working Paper on the Age of Consent; gays in the Armed Forces; the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill (1983, 1984); cases brought before the European Convention on Human Rights; Gay Lobby 91974-1984); CHE annual reports and newsletters; CHE Annual Conferences and National Councils; Executive Committee; campaigning publications; The Saunders Case (1980); Legislation for Lesbian and Gay Rights Conference (1987); Westminster by-election (1977); CHE publications; pamphlets on lesbian and gay rights; lesbian and gay magazines and newsletters; books on lesbian and gay rights in the UK; lesbian and gay rights posters, [1957-2016]

**System of Arrangement:**

The Peter Ashman Memorial Archive is divided into the following two series.  
PAMA/1: CHE Law Reform and Political Campaigning  
PAMA/2: CHE General

**Language/scripts of material:**

English

**Access conditions:**

OPEN

**Copying conditions:**

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**Rules and Conventions:**

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**PAMA/1**

**CHE Law Reform and Political  
Campaigning**

**1973-  
1990**

Correspondence, briefings, conference papers,  
meeting minutes and notes, reports regarding  
law reform measures around gay rights, [1973-  
1990]

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<b>PAMA/1/1</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Campaigning</b>	<b>1973-1977</b>
	<p>Correspondence, briefings, conference papers, meeting minutes and notes, reports regarding law reform measures around gay rights, [1973-1977]</p> <p><b>OPEN</b></p>	
<b>PAMA/1/1/1</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform papers</b>	<b>1973-1975</b>
	<p>Papers regarding CHE Law Reform, [1973-1975]</p> <p>Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- correspondence with Young Conservatives, Conservative Research Department, Liberal Party, National Front, Communist Party of Great Britain, Cooperative Party, Young Liberal HQ on their attitudes to policies on discrimination against homosexuals.</li> <li>- briefing by Barrie Kenyon, 'Who is being prosecuted?' for distribution to delegates at the CHE September National Council and to EC members (September 1974).</li> <li>- CHE/SMG/USFI draft sexual offences bill and standard letter to MPs by Paul Temperton (27 June 1975); memo to all convenors by Paul Temperton (24 June 1975); copy of booklet 'No Offence: the case for Homosexual Equality at Law' (Bob Sturgess).</li> <li>- Letter from Dermod Quirke (25 June 1975) to Lord Harris of the Home Office concerning press reports of a review of sexual offences law to the Criminal Law Revision Committee, seeking details of the scope of the review, whether the Home Secretary's views on equality would be presented to the Committee, and the timetable for the review; reply (14 August 1975) from Lord Harris' Private Secretary noting that the CLRC's terms of reference had been announced on 14 July, that it would be inappropriate for the Home Secretary to impose views on matters covered by the terms of reference, and that it would be left to the CLRC and PAC to determine their timetable and their sources of evidence.</li> <li>- CHE third annual conference (Sheffield, August 1975): Report and Recommendations of the Workshop on Law Reform.</li> </ul> <p>Recommends two-pronged strategy, to 'strain every nerve and effort' to get Parliament to</p>	

debate and approve at least the fundamental principle of the bill, while preparing the most thorough briefing possible for the CLRC and Policy Advisory Committee.

- Note of a meeting at the House of Commons (19 November 1975): Clement Freud (chair), Alan Beith MP, Robin Cook MP, Robin Corbett MP, Bryan Gould MP, Marcus Lipton MP, Dickson Mabon MP, Nicholas Ridley MP, Malcolm Rifkind MP, William Rogers MP, David Steel MP, Glenys Parry (CHE), Ike Cowen (CHE), Paul Temperton (CHE), Alan Clarke (CHE), Iain Buist (CHE) (who took the note), Dermot Quirke (CHE), Ian Dunn (SMG), Malcolm Crowe (SMG), Angus Robbie (SMG), Joseph Leckey (USFI). CHE/SMG/USFI accepted MPs' advice that right strategy was to get the basic principle of equality, to be applied throughout the UK, endorsed by the Lords, while keeping up pressure for an early favourable report by the CLRC. MPs advised the three organisations to conduct greater ongoing personal contact with MPs (e.g. through local groups). A Parliamentary liaison group would be formed, which would pursue the idea of an all-party delegation to the Home Secretary about the inadequacies of the CLRC/policy Advisory Committee remit.

- Letter (23 December 1975) from Ian Buist to Ike Cowen on the appointment of the members of the CLRC Policy Advisory Committee, and the Home Office Press Notice on the same topic.

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/1/2 CHE Law Reform papers**

**1976**

Papers regarding CHE Law Reform, [January-July 1976]

Includes:

- Correspondence with Lord Beaumont (19 January–12 July 1976) regarding: possibly putting down a general motion for the principle of equality debate in the House of Lords; a House of Lords debate on Sex Education (plus Hansard record of the debate); possible supporters in the House of Lords; Lord Beaumont's conclusion that, with vociferous hostile lobby in the Lords, general motion will

probably be defeated; press cutting from the Times (10 March 1976) reporting Lord Beaumont's comments on the hostile lobby (and mentioning also the NCCL's proposal to lower the age of consent to 14).

- Note of meeting at the House of Commons (13 April 1976) – Lord Beaumont, Clement Freud MP (chair), Dickson Mabon MP, Nicholas Scott MP, Maureen Colquhoun MP, Richard Body MP, Glenys Parry (CHE), Paul Temperton (CHE), Dermod Quirke (CHE), Joseph Leckey (USFI); related correspondence/notes; topics addressed included need for urgent action on Northern Ireland, PQs, the prospects for the 'equality motion' not encouraging, prospects for a total equality package extremely slim in the foreseeable future, better to press for specific reforms such as abolishing gross indecency, rather than drawing attention to the age of consent, a possible delegation to the Home Secretary on the CLRC submission, and the need for CHE to redouble its educational and lobbying work at grassroots level.

- CHE submission to the Criminal Law Revision Committee: press release (by Nigel Hart) plus brief guide (11 June 1976); the CHE submission (May 1976).

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/1/3 CHE Law Reform papers**

**1976**

Papers regarding CHE Law Reform, [May-July 1976]

Includes:

- Letter from Lord Beaumont (21 May 1976) regarding his receipt of a draft Bill [on extending 1967 Act to Northern Ireland] from Joseph Leckey; the need to find a Northern Ireland peer prepared to support it. Lists peers opposed to any further extension of the law: 'the case now appears to be only supported by the "radicals" ... I really do not think it is going to be worth anyone's while producing a [general equality] motion in the autumn.'

- Meeting with the Home Secretary Roy Jenkins (16 June 1976): briefing paper (by Ian Buist); press article in the Guardian by Nicholas de Jongh plus concern at how he got news of the meeting; various notes and

internal memos including notes of a meeting with Clement Freud MP (who organised the meeting with Jenkins); discussion of participation of Peter Wells (prosecuted for his relationship with an underage partner); Michael Steed's impression of the meeting with Jenkins.

- Law Reform Campaign – Paul Temperton's final report to the CHE Executive Committee for meeting 26 June 1976. Covers: outcome of meeting with Roy Jenkins ('no way the CLRC [Criminal Law Revision Committee] can be hurried up'); the equality motion in the House of Lords ('now seems a dead duck'); emphasis on extending 1967 Act to Northern Ireland; liaison with gays in political parties; campaigns concerning Bill Walker and Peter Wells; difficulties of holding together a Parliamentary group; crucial need for gays to do a great deal more lobbying than so far and need to put more 'oomph' into Gay Lobby.

- Rally in Trafalgar Square (07 August 1976) – correspondence with potential speakers (MPs/peers).

- Miscellaneous correspondence and documents: Colin Phipps MP, arguing against complex law reform bill; oral questions on the age of consent (11 March 1976); letter from Viscount Norwich; edition of SMG News including update on developments; Clement Freud on PQs [Parliamentary Questions] plus long list of suggested PQs, Robin Corbett MP offering support, file note (21 June 1976) by Paul Temperton on conversation with Dermot Quirke (on 'bullying groups about MP bashing' and need for Gay Lobby to produce circular to groups, Dermot Quirke hopes Nick Winterton will take responsibility for pushing Gay Lobby along, the need for liaison with Gay Labour Group); file note (22 June 1976) of conversation with Maureen Colquhoun MP (she to lead a delegation of herself and Lord Beaumont to Merlyn Rees [NI minister] in hope that legal change in Northern Ireland can be brought about by an Order in Council, removing the need for a Bill).

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Papers regarding CHE Law Reform, [July 1976-December 1977]

Includes:

- Correspondence with the Society of Civil and Public Servants (July/August 76) on the discrimination which homosexuals civil servants face in relation to security vetting.
- SMG [Scottish Minorities Group] correspondence with Malcolm Rifkind MP (23 July 1976) on his proposal for amending the provisions relating to homosexual acts between consenting adults in private in the Sexual Offences Scotland Consolidation) Bill, 1976; Hansard report of Commons debates (October-November 1976)
- Parliamentary and political campaigning – a report to CHE's Executive Committee (21 November 1976): Parliamentary group inactive; Gay Lobby activity and record system; increase in prosecutions since 1967 Act; Scottish consolidation act; promotion of Merlyn Rees from Northern Ireland minister to Home Office a blow to the hope of an Order in Council extending the 1967 Act to NI (his successor, Fred Mulley, not supportive); letter by 'bigwigs' to CLRC under preparation; the Bill Walker case; lobbying programme for the coming year (string of PQs by two or three reliable MPs, MP bashing at the local level, research into prosecuting/sentencing trends, liaising with Party gay groups).
- Note of meeting of CHE and SMG (23 April 1977) on the two organisations' approaches to Lord Boothby's Bill (to extend the 1967 Act to Scotland) and to Lord Arran's Bill (to amend the age of consent to 18) (against a background of approach agreed at Malvern in 1975); the note casts light on differing perspectives and priorities.
- Criminal Law Bill – campaign to preserve the right to jury trial for males accused of soliciting – correspondence between 17 December 1976 and May 1977 with the office of the Home Secretary, and MPs: Robin Corbett, Bryan Gould, Edward Lyons, Patrick Mayhew, Jeremy Thorpe, David Gardner, Neville Sandelson.
- Sentencing policy, particularly with underaged youths – letters to the Lord Chancellor (February 1977, August 1977)

- Private Members' Bill ballot – attempt to interest MPs in CHE Bill (Spring 1977).
- The Earl of Arran's Bill to reduce the age of consent to 18, Lord Boothby's Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill, and discussion of age of consent: the Arran Bill, and correspondence with Lord Winstanley, Lord Queensberry, Baroness Gaitskell (reference to how well the opposition briefed and how badly the gay rights bodies had done their preparation), Lord Vaisey, the Marquess of Aberdeen and Temair, on the House of Lords Bills; with Clement Freud (who was against pressing for lowering of age of consent) and Robin Cook (who was not sure that 'reducing the age of consent to 18 would postpone an eventual reduction to 16) (March–November 1977)
- Hong Kong – correspondence with Sir Paul Bryan MP (chair of Anglo Hong Kong Parliamentary Group); with Stan Newens MP and the Minister of State at the Foreign Office; on proposals in Hong Kong to increase penalties for homosexual acts in private between adults from two to five years' imprisonment (May/July 1977).
- Northern Ireland – law on homosexuality – letter from the government (Lord Melchett) to Lord Beaumont (14 June 1977) to the effect that the recommendation of the Northern Ireland Standing Advisory Committee on Human Rights that the law in Northern Ireland be brought in line with the 1967 Act still under consideration.
- 'Homosexual affair in Cornwall' – correspondence with David Penhaligon MP.
- Conservative Group for Homosexual Equality – Questionnaire for Westminster South by-election, and paper 'Homosexuality on the Hustings' by Ian Harvey, in light of Peter Mitchell standing as candidate for homosexual civil rights.

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/1/5 Wolfenden Report**

**1968**

Report of the Committee on Homosexual Offences and Prostitution (London: HMSO, reprinted 1968)

**OPEN**

<b>PAMA/1/2</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee Minutes</b>	<b>1977-1981</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [1977-1981] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/2/1</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1977-1978</b>
	Notes and minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [1977-1978] Includes meetings held on: - 01 December 1977 - 02 February 1978 - 02 March 1978 - 06 April 1978 - 16 May 1978 - 20 June 1978 - 01 August 1978 - 06 September 1978 - 16 October 1978 - 14 November 1978 - Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in 1977-1978 <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/2/2</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1979</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [1979] Includes meetings held on: - 16 January 1979 - 13 February 1979 - 13 March 1979 - 10 April 1979 - 08 May 1979 - 19 June 1979 - 24 July 1979 - 30 August 1979 - 02 October 1979 - 30 October 1979 - 18 December 1979	

- Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in  
1979  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/2/3 CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes 1980**

Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee,  
[January-July 1980]  
Includes meetings held on:  
- 06 January 1980  
- 09 February 1980  
- 20 March 1980  
- 17 April 1980  
- 20 May 1980  
- 16 June 1980  
- 20 July 1980  
- Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in  
1980  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/2/4 CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes 1980**

Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee,  
[August-December 1980]  
Includes meetings held on:  
- 13 August 1980  
- 01 October 1980  
- 06 November 1980  
- 04 December 1980  
- Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in  
1980  
**OPEN**

<b>PAMA/1/3</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee Minutes</b>	<b>1981-1982</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [1981-1982] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/3/1</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1981</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [1981] Includes minutes of meetings held: - 15 January 1981 - 15 February 1981 - 16 March 1981 - 13 April 1981 - 27 May 1981 - 28 June 1981 - 28 July 1981 - 24 September 1981 - 26 October 1981 - 09 December 1981 - Index of minutes/list of topics addressed in 1981 <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/3/2</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1982</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [January-April 1982] Includes minutes of meetings held: - 12 January 1982 - 18 February 1982 - 24 March 1982 - 25 April 1982 - Index of minutes/list of topics addressed in 1982 <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/3/3</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1982</b>

Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee,  
[June-December 1982]

Includes minutes of meetings held:

- 10 June 1982
- 22 July 1982
- 09 September 1982
- 05 October 1982
- 11 November 1982
- 13 December 1982
- Index of minutes/list of topics addressed in  
1982

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/3/4 The Royal Commission on Criminal Prosecution 1983**

The Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure  
Report (London: HMSO, 1981; reprinted 1983)

**OPEN**

<b>PAMA/1/4</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee Minutes</b>	<b>1983- 1984</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [1983-1984] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/4/1</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1983</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [January-July 1983] Includes minutes of meetings held: - 17 January 1983 - 21 February 1983 - 21 March 1983 - 24 April 1983 - 06 June 1983 - 05 July 1983 - Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in 1983 <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/4/2</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1983</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [August-December 1983] Includes minutes of meetings held: - 18 August 1983 - 19 September 1983 - 17 October 1983 - 14 November 1983 - 06 December 1983 - Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in 1983 <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/4/3</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1984</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [January-April 1984] Includes minutes of meetings held: - 10 January 1984	

- 22 February 1984
  - 26 March 1984
  - 16 April 1984: includes Criminal Law Revision Committee fifteenth report: Sexual Offences (London: HMSO, 1984)
  - Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in 1984
- OPEN**

**PAMA/1/4/4 CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes 1984**

- Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee,  
[May-December 1984]  
Includes minutes of meetings held:
- 13 May 1984
  - 11 June 1984
  - 30 July 1984
  - 06 September 1984
  - 11 October 1984
  - 12 November 1984
  - 13 December 1984
  - Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in 1984
- OPEN**



<b>PAMA/1/5</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee Minutes</b>	<b>1985-1986</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [1985-1986] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/5/1</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1985</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [January-February 1985] Includes minutes of meetings held: - 14 January 1985: includes booklet, 'Cautioning by the Police: a consultative document' (Home Office, June 1984) - 14 February 1985 - Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in 1985 <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/5/2</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1985</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [March-December 1985] Includes minutes of meetings held: - 14 March 1985 - 11 April 1985 - 09 May 1985 - 09 June 1985 - 08 July 1985 - 09 September 1985 - 14 October 1985 - 11 November 1985 - 05 December 1985 - Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in 1985 <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/5/3</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1986</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [1986]	

Includes minutes of meetings held:

- 06 January 1986
- 03 February 1986
- 03 March 1986
- 07 April 1986
- 12 May 1986
- 16 June 1986
- 20 July 1986
- 01 September 1986: includes booklet,  
'Legislation for Lesbian and Gay Rights: A  
Manifesto' (Labour Campaign for Lesbian and  
Gay Rights, 1986)
- 06 October 1986
- 03 November 1986
- 01 December 1986
- Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in  
1986

**OPEN**

<b>PAMA/1/6</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee</b>	<b>1980-1989</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [1987-1989] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/6/1</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1987</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [1987] Includes minutes of meetings held: - 02 February 1987 - 19 March 1987 - 05 May 1987 - 15 June 1987 - 01 September 1987: includes Hansard for Friday 08 May 1987 - 05 October 1987 - 02 November 1987 - Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in 1987 <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/6/2</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1988</b>
	Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee, [1988] Includes minutes of meetings held: - 14 January 1988 - 22 February 1988 - 13 June 1988 - 08 August 1988 - 14 November 1988 - 19 December 1988 - Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in 1988 <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/1/6/3</b>	<b>CHE Law Reform Committee: Index of Minutes</b>	<b>1989</b>

Minutes of the CHE Law Reform Committee,  
[1989]

Includes minutes of meetings held:

- 30 January 1989
- 13 March 1989
- 24 April 1989
- 20 June 1989
- 18 December 1989: includes issue of the Gay Times (July 1990)
- Index of meetings/list of topics addressed in 1989

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/6/4 1980 Housing Bill**

**1980**

Correspondence regarding the Housing Bill  
1980

Includes:

- correspondence with John Tilley MP re tabling of CHE amendment; together with the proposed amendment, and an explanation
- copies of Hansard reports for the discussions in Committee
- letters to Lord Soper, the Bishop of Southwark, Lord Avebury, Lord Beaumont, seeking to get the amendments tabled in the House of Lords
- various background documents on cohabitation

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/7 CHE Submissions on Government Working Papers 1969-1984**

CHE Submissions on Government Working Papers, [1969-1984]

Includes:

- CHE submission on the Criminal Law Revision Committee's Working Paper on Sexual Offences (1981)
- CHE submission responding to the June 1979 Policy Advisory Committee on Sexual Offences' Working Paper on the Age of Consent (1980)
- background papers to the 1980 CHE submission (1969-1979)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/7/1 Criminal Law Revision Committee Working Paper on Sexual Offences 1976-1984**

1981 CHE submission on the Criminal Law Revision Committee's Working Paper on Sexual Offences (1976-1984)

Includes:

- NCCL evidence to the Criminal Law Revision Committee [CLRC] on Sexual Offences (March 1976)
- submission from the Gay Christian Movement to the CLRC and the PAC [Policy Advisory Committee] on Sexual Offences (1979)
- CLRC Working Paper on Sexual Offences (October 1980)
- message to conveners of local CHE groups explaining the working paper and encouraging them to make their own submissions
- letter from Nick Billingham enclosing draft of CHE comments on the CLRC working paper (prior to approval at National Council) (01 March 1981)

- final CHE submission: 'Criminal Law Revision Committee: 1979 Working Paper on Sexual Offences: Comments prepared by the Campaign for Homosexual Equality'
  - press release announcing CHE's evidence to the CLRC and a 15 point plan for sexual law reform (01 April 1981)
  - Criminal Law Revision Committee Fifteenth [final] Report: Sexual Offences (London: HMSO, April 1984)
- OPEN**

**PAMA/1/7/2 Policy Advisory Committee on Sexual Offences 1979-1981**

1980 CHE submission responding to the June 1979 Policy Advisory Committee on Sexual Offences' Working Paper on the Age of Consent (1979-1981)

Includes:

- 'Working Paper on the Age of Consent in relation to Sexual Offences – June 1979' (Policy Advisory Committee on Sexual Offences) [NB: CHE response to the Working Paper not in archive – was submitted in December 1980]
- typescript 'CHE and the "Working Paper on the Age of Consent in relation to Sexual Offences"' [Policy Advisory Committee]
- Submissions to the Policy Advisory Committee by: British Medical Association; Royal College of Psychiatrists; Gay Christian Movement; NCCL
- 'Report on the Age of Consent in relation to Sexual Offences' (Policy Advisory Committee on Sexual Offences; London: HMSO, April 1981)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/7/3 Background papers 1969-1979**

Background papers to the CHE submission responding to the June 1979 Policy Advisory Committee on Sexual Offences' Working Paper on the Age of Consent, [1969-1979]

Includes:

- The Speijer Report (translation) – Dutch government report that prepared the way for

the repeal of discriminatory age of consent laws in the Netherlands (1969)

- Report of the Working Party on the Age of Consent in Relation to Sexual Offences (British Medical Association, 1972)
- Report of Working Party on the Law in Relation to Sexual Behaviour (Sexual Law Reform Society, 05 September 1974)
- extracts from the Danish Criminal Law Council's report on the lowering of the homosexual age of consent (Copenhagen, 1975)
- Committee of Experts for the revision of the Criminal Code: Initial proposals for the revision of the Articles concerning the offences against life and bodily integrity, sexual offences and against the family (Federal Department of Justice and of the Police, Berne, Switzerland)
- paper documenting ages of consent in European countries – ALEPH (1978)
- paper on Sentencing and the Age of Consent to Homosexual Behaviour by Karen White and Roy Walmsley (researchers preparing information for the Criminal Law Revision Committee and the Policy Advisory Committee on Sexual Offences)
- Sexual Offences, Consent and Sentencing (Home Office Research Study No. 54)
- 'Pregnant at School: Joint Working Party on Pregnant Schoolgirls and Schoolgirl Mothers' (National Council for One Parent Families, September 1979)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/8 Armed Forces**

**1973-  
1983**

Papers, reports, correspondence, press cuttings regarding the Armed Forces and discrimination against LGBTQ+ people, [1978-1983]

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/8/1 The Armed Forces**

**1973-1980**

Documents regarding the UK armed forces, Ministry of Defence and the issue of lesbians and gays in the military, [1973-1980]

Includes:

- extracts from the Air Force, Army, and Navy Acts on discipline
- document entitled 'The rights of a soldier charged with an offence under the Army Act 1955' (15 January 1973)
- paper for the NCCL conference entitled 'Lesbians in the Forces' (14 May 1977)
- letter to Gay News seeking information on the armed forces from readers (24 January 1978)
- correspondence with RAF chaplain, Rev Fraser Maclennan, including provision of example of individual cases (December 1979-November 1981); includes schedule of court martials for homosexual offences in the RAF for the period October 1978 to November 1980
- letter from the Ministry of Defence [MoD] explaining policy on homosexuality (06 April 1979)



- letter from the MoD refusing to supply their submission to the Policy Advisory Committee (06 August 1979)
- Transcript of Gay Life (London Weekend Television programme) 'Gays in the Military' (27 April 1980)
- letter to Reg Rees MP, asking him to take part in debate on the RAF (20 June 1980)
- letters to Mike Jarrett from the MoD (11 September, 10 November 1980), addressing the single-sex nature of the military, coercion, blackmail, statistics for discharges

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/8/2 Campaign on The Armed Forces Bill 1981**

Campaign on the Armed Forces Bill, [1981]

Includes:

- CHE proposed amendment, supporting memorandum and notes
- letters to Bruce George (tables amendment), Keith Best (PQ), Lords Wigoder and Peart, Armed Forces Minister Philip Goodhart to Sir Anthony Royle MP
- standard letter for constituents to send to members of the Select Committee
- press cuttings of dismissals, e.g. The Royal Yacht Britannia, and the Rhine arm

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/8/3 Campaign on The Armed Forces Bill 1981**

Campaign on the Armed Forces Bill, [1981]

Includes:

- The Armed Forces Bill 1980 (33pp)
- Special Report from the Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill, Session 1980-81, together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence and Appendices (130pp; London: HMSO, May 1981)
- photocopy of the Hansard account of the debate in Committee (19 May 1981)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/8/4 Campaign on The Armed Forces Bill: correspondence 1977-1982**

Correspondence with military attachés of European states - including Norway, Sweden,

the Netherlands, France, Portugal, Germany, Italy, Spain and Denmark - documenting their treatment of lesbians and gays in the armed forces, [1977-1982]

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/8/5 The Armed Forces Bill: correspondence and press 1981-1983**

Correspondence and press cuttings regarding the Armed Forces Bill, [1981-1983]

Includes:

- letter to George Cunningham MP (02 August 1981) requesting him to challenge the use of courts martial and dishonourable discharge; subsequent correspondence with the Ministry of Defence [MoD] up to 26 November 1981
- photocopies of press cuttings regarding dismissals, Colchester Evening Gazette, Sunday Mirror, Guardian (1981)
- correspondence with Sir Anthony Royle MP (August 1981, March 1982), Arthur Davidson MP, George Thomas MP, Douglas MP, John Nott MP, Tom Cox MP, Keith Best MP, including 32 replies from the MoD August 1981-June 1983) on a variety of topics including dismissal statistics, justification for courts martial in certain cases, Parliamentary Questions

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/9 1985 and 1991 Armed Forces Bills 1984-1991**

Papers, reports, correspondence, press cuttings regarding the 1985-1986 Armed Forces Bill, the 1991 Armed Forces Bill and discrimination against LGBTQ+ people, [1984-1991]

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/9/1 Campaign on the 1985 Armed Forces Bill 1985-1986**

Documents regarding the CHE campaign on the 1985 Armed Forces Bill, [1985-1986]

Includes:

- documents setting out ideas for the campaign and for a study on the position in the Armed Forces
- letter from Chris Smith MP (17 April 1985) and Parliamentary Questions [PQs] (07-08 March 1985), including on number of dismissals, and correspondence
- the Armed Forces Bill plus related correspondence
- press cuttings concerning Cyprus dismissals and suicide of a paratroop major
- letter from CHE sent to MPs ahead of the second reading on 21 November 1985
- Hansard report of the debate on second reading on 21 November 1985

- press account of naval rating's harsh treatment (City Limits – 29 November)
  - correspondence with the Clerk to the Select Committee (06 and 17 January 1986)
  - CHE's evidence to the Committee (January 1986)
  - letter from Chris Smith to the CHE (21 January 1986)
  - memorandum submitted by the Ministry of Defence to the Select Committee
  - correspondence – Matthew Parris MP to Neil Thorne MP (05 February 1986)
  - progress report on the state of the campaign for the CHE bulletin
  - PQ tabled by Kevin McNamara MP on numbers of dismissals (03 March 1986)
  - press report of the Select Committee's rejection of CHE's case and a letter by Kevin McNamara MP highlighting the obstructive behaviour of the Select Committee chairman John Stanley MP
  - Hansard account of the debate in the House of Commons (10 April 1986) on McNamara amendment requiring any homosexual acts to be 'prejudicial to good conduct and discipline'
  - Hansard account of House of Lords debate (19 May 1986) on amendment to withdraw the ban on lesbians and gays in the armed forces
- OPEN**

**PAMA/1/9/2 Campaign on the 1985 Armed Forces Bill: 1985 interviews**

Papers relating to the detailed research for the CHE evidence to the select committee, [1985]

Includes:

- paper setting out the rationale for the research, together with questionnaires used for interviews
- correspondence and interview notes regarding 14 contemporary or ex-Services personnel (AH, BC, IM, JF, JH, LG, LS, MS, SN, TC and four anonymous interviewees)

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**PAMA/1/9/3 Campaign on the 1985 Armed Forces Bill: 1984-1986 research survey**

Papers relating to the research for the evidence to the select committee – survey of

the laws applying in other European countries,  
[1984-1986]

Includes:

- correspondence with Ken Plummer of Essex University concerning the form of the survey (16 August 1984)

- replies from the authorities in Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland (March 1985-February 1986)

- booklet, 'Getting Out – A guide to discharges from all branches of the U.S. Military' (CCCO/An Agency for Military and Draft Counselling, March 1984)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/9/4 Stonewall submission on 1991 Armed Forces Bill 1991**

Typescript 'Memorandum from the Stonewall Group on the issue of homosexuality in the Armed Forces - a submission to the Special Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill' - a reworking of a CHE document, by agreement, (22pp) [1991]

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/9/5 Special Report of the House of Commons Select Committee 1986**

House of Commons Special Report from the Select Committee on the Armed Forces Bill, Session 1985-86, together with the Proceedings of the Committee and the Minutes of Evidence, with Appendices (279pp; London: HMSO, March 1986)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/10 Police and Criminal Evidence Bill 1983-1984**

Papers, correspondence, Home Office reports, records of House of Commons debates and Parliamentary proceedings regarding the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, [1983-1984]

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/10/1 Police and Criminal Evidence Bill: relevant CHE meeting minutes and related papers 1983**

Transcripts of extracts from Law Reform Committee minutes regarding the Police and Criminal Evidence (PACE) Bill, and associated documents, [1983]

Includes:

- typescript extracts from Law Reform Committee minutes, (January-December 1983)
- NCCL Briefing Paper for Gay Groups on Police and Criminal Evidence Bill 1982
- letters to Peter Snape MP, Ian Wrigglesworth MP, Bill Pitt MP, with amendments on Police and Criminal Evidence Bill

- letter from Martin Stevens MP, enclosing a brief on the: Police and Criminal Evidence Bill: The Investigation of Offences – written by Patrick Mayhew QC, MP, Circulated by the Conservative Research Department
- letter from David Waddington (Home Office Minister) following up on March meeting
- National Campaign against the Police Bill – press statement on Hackney Town Hall meeting (11 August 1983)
- photocopy of Capital Gay article on the arrest of 25 men by agents provocateur in Earls Court (30 September 1983)
- letter to Douglas Hurd MP, Minister of State at the Home Office
- standard letter to 80 MPs and replies from approximately 35 of them
- Hansard record of Second Reading debate on the Police Bill (07 November 1983)
- GLC press release regarding launch of book on Police Bill
- letter to Alf Dubs MP (20 November 1983)
- letters from Home Office (Douglas Hurd) to Keith Best MP (21 November 1983) and Peter Lloyd MP (08 November 1983)
- booklet, 'Police and criminal evidence bill briefing guide' (Home Office, 1983)
- copy of typescript proposed amendments to clause 2 (10), clause 12, and clause 22
- briefing document prepared by Liberal Gay Action Group for Alex Carlile MP

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/10/2 Police and Criminal Evidence Bill: relevant CHE meeting minutes and related papers 1984-1985**

Transcripts of extracts from Law Reform Committee minutes regarding the Police and Criminal Evidence (PACE) Bill, and associated documents, [1984-1985]

Includes:

- typescript extracts from Law Reform Committee minutes, (January-November 1984)
- letter from Home Office responding to CHE letter expressing concern at deployment of plain clothes police officers to detect male importuners (11 January 1984)
- House of Commons report of Committee debates (31 January 1984)

- letter from Douglas Hurd to Dafydd Elis Thomas MP (06 February 1984)
- reply of the Home Secretary Leon Brittan to David Owen MP on Metropolitan police policy in relation to male importuners in the Earl's Court area
- Amendment tabled on powers of arrest for offences contrary to Section 32 of the Sexual Offences Act 1956 by Messrs Steele, Owen, Beith, Cartwright, Carlile and Maclennan (06 April 1984)
- Guardian article on publication by the Metropolitan Police of "The Principles of Policing and Guidance for Professional Behaviour"
- press cuttings regarding the arrest of Dr Keith Hampson MP (May 1984)
- Police Review article, 'Fancy-clothes duty' (25 May 1984)
- letter to Nigel Warner (CHE) from Jim Wallace MP (06 June 1984)
- letter to Nigel Warner from Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher (18 June 1984)
- letter to Nigel Warner from Matthew Parris MP, enclosing a letter from Douglas Hurd (20 June 1984)
- House of Lords official report (Hansard) on Second Reading of the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill (04 June 1984)
- House of Lords official record of debate (11 July 1984)
- typescript and handwritten notes by Nigel Warner for talk on the Police Bill for the CHE annual conference
- reply from Home Office to Peter Campbell on Police and Criminal Evidence Bill – on indecent assault (17 August 1984)
- letter to Nigel Warner from Home Office on Police and Criminal Evidence Bill (September 1984)
- letter from Ian Buist following meeting with David Mellor MP (08 October 1984)
- reply from Margaret Thatcher to letter from Clifford Hindley on the use of entrapment techniques by the Metropolitan police (27 December 1984)
- House of Lords Official Report (19 October 1984)
- House of Lords Official Report (29 October 1984)



- NCCL briefing on the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (March 1985)  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/10/3 Hansard reports of debates on Police and Criminal Evidence Bill 1984**

Hansard reports of debates on Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, [1984]

Includes:

- House of Commons Official Report: Parliamentary Debates (Hansard), volume 60, no. 154 (14 May 1984)
- House of Commons Official Report: Parliamentary Debates (Hansard), volume 60, no. 155 (15 May 1984)
- House of Commons Official Report: Parliamentary Debates (Hansard), volume 60, no. 156 (16 May 1984)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/11 European Convention on Human Rights 1978-2016**

Papers, correspondence, Home Office reports, records of House of Commons debates and Parliamentary proceedings regarding cases brought before the European Convention on Human Rights, [1978-2016]

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/11/1 Dudgeon Case 1978-2016**

Papers regarding Dudgeon v UK (Application no. 7525/76) – (criminalisation in Northern Ireland), [1978-2016]

Includes:

- NIGRA [Northern Ireland Gay Rights Association] News (July/August 1978)
- press cutting regarding the UK Government's submission to the European Commission of Human Rights and its rejection of 'homosexual law reform'

[decriminalisation] in Northern Ireland (08 May 1979)

- Report of the [European] Commission [on Human Rights], adopted 13 March 1980
  - reply to Parliamentary Question on whether the government planned to act on the findings of the Commission (18 July 1980)
  - Observations of the Applicant on the Report of the Commission
  - statement for the media by Jeff Dudgeon prior to the Dudgeon hearing; background notes in relation to anti-gay legislation in Northern Ireland prepared by Jeffrey Dudgeon (23 April 1981)
  - Judgment of the European Court of Human Rights in the Dudgeon Case (22 October 1981)
  - press release by CHE welcoming the judgment (22 October 1981)
  - European Court of Human Rights' ruling on Dudgeon's claim for just satisfaction under Article 50 (original document) (24 February 1983)
  - photocopy of article by Jeff Dudgeon about his case, The Socialist (n.d.)
  - photocopied chapter from Johnson, Paul, 'Going to Strasbourg: An Oral History of Sexual Orientation Discrimination and the European Convention on Human Rights' (Oxford University Press, 2016), regarding Jeff Dudgeon's account of his case - reprinted by kind permission of Paul Johnson
- OPEN**

**PAMA/1/11/2 John Bruce v UK**

**1983**

Decision of the European Commission of Human Rights in John Bruce v. UK (Application No 9237/81) [Armed Forces case], [12 October 1983]

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/11/3 Desmond v UK**

**1984-2016**

Papers regarding R Desmond v UK (Application no. 9721/82) [age of consent case], [1984-2016]

Includes:

- further submissions providing additional detailed information to the Commission

- Decision of the Commission (07 May 1984)  
- photocopied chapter from Johnson, Paul, 'Going to Strasbourg: An Oral History of Sexual Orientation Discrimination and the European Convention on Human Rights' (Oxford University Press, 2016), regarding Richard Desmond's account of his case - reprinted by kind permission of Paul Johnson  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/11/4 Martin Johnson v UK 1986**

Papers regarding Martin Johnson v the UK (Application no. 10389/83) [privacy case], [1986]  
Includes:  
- Observations of the Government of the United Kingdom on the Admissibility and Merits of Application Number 10389/83 Introduced by Martin Johnson (29 January 1986)  
- Decision of the Commission (17 July 1986)  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/11/5 X & Y v the UK 1983**

Papers regarding X & Y v the UK (Application no. 9369/81) [same-sex couple immigration case], [1983]  
Includes:  
- Decision of the Commission (03 May 1983)  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/11/6 Mary Simpson v the UK 1983**

Papers regarding M Simpson v UK (Application No. 11716/85) [tenancy succession rights for same-sex couples], [1986-2016]  
Includes:  
- Decision of the Commission (14 May 1986)  
- photocopied chapter from Johnson, Paul, 'Going to Strasbourg: An Oral History of Sexual Orientation Discrimination and the European Convention on Human Rights' (Oxford University Press, 2016), regarding Mary Simpson's account of her case - reprinted by kind permission of Paul Johnson  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/11/7 Nigel Warner on going to Strasbourg 2016**

'Nigel Warner on Going to Strasbourg in the 1980s', from Johnson, Paul, 'Going to Strasbourg: An Oral History of Sexual Orientation Discrimination and the European Convention on Human Rights' (Oxford University Press, 2016): 158-163. Copy included here by kind permission of the author  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/12 Gay Lobby 1974-1984**

Papers regarding work undertaken by CHE's 'Gay Lobby', [1974-1984]  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/12/1 Gay Lobby 1974-1983**

Papers regarding work undertaken by CHE's 'Gay Lobby', [1974-1983]  
Includes:  
- typescript and handwritten results of CHE questionnaire - 1974 General Elections, listing Labour MPs 'entirely in support ... non-committed or uncertain ... not persuaded but not totally hostile ... evasive ... entirely hostile ... no reply'

- typescript papers regarding Gay Lobby's campaigns (1975-1976)
- 'A Gay's Guide to Lobbying'
- General Election – lobbying guide and questionnaire (1978)
- 'Discrimination and the Gay Minority' (1980)
- Commons vote on Northern Ireland (August 1982)
- document regarding the General Election campaign (December 1983)
- lobbying leaflet, 'Gay Rights – what to say to your MP'
- lobbying leaflet, 'Discrimination and the Gay Minority'
- letter from Peter Campbell containing a limerick about a gay Bobby [police officer] and the Gay Lobby (06 July 1983)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/1/12/2 Members of Parliament's views on gay rights c.1984**

Computer printout of information on the stated views of individual MPs regarding lesbian and gay rights (c. 1984)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2 CHE General 1976-1989**

Annual reports, newsletters, conference papers, agenda, workshop papers, Executive Committee papers, organisation documents, campaigning publications, pamphlets on lesbian and gay rights; papers regarding the Saunders Case (1980), the Legislation for Lesbian and Gay Rights Conference (1987) and the Westminster Parliamentary by-election (1977), [1976-1989]

**OPEN**

<b>PAMA/2/1</b>	<b>Annual Reports and Newsletters</b>	<b>1976-1989</b>
	CHE annual reports, bulletins, 'Out' magazine, CHE Broadsheet, CHE Campaign Newsletter and CHE newsletter, CHE supporters review and other publications, [1976-1989] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/2/1/1</b>	<b>CHE Annual Reports</b>	<b>1976-1989</b>
	CHE annual reports, [1976-1989] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/2/1/2</b>	<b>CHE Bulletins</b>	<b>1975-1976</b>
	CHE bulletins, [1975-1976] Includes:	

- Vol 3, Nos 10-11 (November-December 1975)
  - Vol 4, Nos 1-3 (January-March 1976)
  - Vol 4, Nos 5-9 (May-November 1976)
- OPEN**

**PAMA/2/1/3 Out magazine 1976-1977**

Out: For and about gay women and men, [1976-1977]

Includes:

- Numbers 1-5 (October/November 1976-June/July 1977)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/1/4 CHE Broadsheet 1977-1982**

Broadsheet: a monthly report from national CHE, [1977-1982]

Includes:

- July, October, November, December 1977
- January-December 1978
- January-April, June-August, November-December 1979
- January, March-July, September-December 1980
- January-March, May-June, August, October-November 1981
- April-August 1982

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/1/5 CHE newsletters 1982-1990**

CHE Campaign Newsletter and CHE newsletter, [1982-1990]

Includes:

CHE Campaign Newsletter

- Nos 1-3 (October, November, December 1982)
- Nos 4-7, 10-13 (January-May, July, October-December 1983)
- Nos 14-22, 24 (January-July, September-October, December 1984)
- Nos 25-33 (January-June, October-December 1985)
- Nos 34-38 (January-February, April-June), October-November 1986)
- January-November 1987
- February-April, November 1988
- January/February, June 1989

CHE newsletter  
- June 1990  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/1/6 CHE Supporters Review 1982-1989**

CHE Supporters Review, [1982-1989]  
Includes:  
- Issue 1 (November 1982) - Issue 2 (February 1983)  
- Issue 4 (November 1983) - Issue 5 (February 1984)  
- Issue 7 (November 1984) - Issue 11 (February 1986)  
- February 1987  
- December 1989  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/1/7 CHE publications 1976-1982**

CHE publications, [1976-1982]  
Includes:  
- CHE Youth News issues 4 and 6 (1976/1977)  
- Intelligence Nos 4, 6, 8 (January, March, July 1981)  
- Grassroots: A Campaign Newsletter for Gay People, Number 2 (December 1982)  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/2 CHE Annual Conferences and National Councils 1977-1987**

CHE Annual Conferences and National Councils, [1977-1987]  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/2/1 Annual Conferences 1977-1979**

CHE Annual Conference reports, order papers, financial reports, workshop documents, Constitutional amendments, [1977-1979]  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/2/2 Annual Conferences 1980-1982**



CHE Annual Conference reports, order papers,  
financial reports, workshop documents,  
Constitutional amendments, [1980-1982]  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/2/3 Annual Conferences 1983-1985**

CHE Annual Conference reports, order papers,  
financial reports, workshop documents,  
Constitutional amendments, [1983-1985]  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/2/4 Annual Conferences 1986-1987**

CHE Annual Conference reports, order papers,  
financial reports, workshop documents,  
Constitutional amendments, [1986-1987]  
**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/2/5 National Councils 1979-1984**

Reports, agenda, Notices of Motion, meeting  
minutes and other papers regarding CHE  
National Councils, [1979-1984]  
Includes:  
- St Albans (March 1979)  
- Manchester (December 1979)  
- Birmingham - Extraordinary Meeting  
Conference as well as National Council (March  
1980)  
- Southampton (June 1980)  
- Liverpool (March 1981)  
- Brighton (June 1981)  
- Conway Hall, London (March 1984)  
**OPEN**

<b>PAMA/2/3</b>	<b>Executive Committee</b>	<b>1976-1989</b>
	Executive Committee minutes, organisational documents and campaigning publications, [1976-1989] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/2/3/1</b>	<b>Executive Committee papers</b>	<b>1980-1981</b>
	Executive Committee papers from meetings held June-July, September 1980; January-May, July, September 1981, [1980-1981] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/2/3/2</b>	<b>Executive Committee papers</b>	<b>1983</b>

	Executive Committee papers from meetings held July, September-December, [1983] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/2/3/3</b>	<b>Executive Committee papers</b>	<b>1984</b>
	Executive Committee papers from meetings held January-April, July, September-December, [1984] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/2/3/4</b>	<b>Executive Committee papers</b>	<b>1985</b>
	Executive Committee papers from meetings held January-July, September-December, [1985] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/2/3/5</b>	<b>Executive Committee papers</b>	<b>1986</b>
	Executive Committee papers from meetings held January-May, [1986] <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/2/3/6</b>	<b>CHE organisational papers</b>	<b>1977-1982</b>
	CHE organisational papers, [1977-1982] Includes: - CHE as a Federation: a suggested solution; by Mike Imber (1977) - the CHE Charter (1982) - Yes! Together we can build a gay community (1982) - CHE and the gay community: implementation (April 1982) - the CHE Constitution <b>OPEN</b>	
<b>PAMA/2/3/7</b>	<b>CHE administrative papers</b>	<b>c.1977</b>
	CHE administrative papers, [c.1977] Includes: - Chairman's Address (03 December 1977) - typescript Standing Orders regarding office staff and premises, Executive Committee, finance, publicity and other matters - employee contract - telephone tree <b>OPEN</b>	

**PAMA/2/3/8 Campaigning documents**

CHE campaigning documents, [n.d.]

Includes:

- 'Fighting Discrimination at work'
- 'Reflections of a reinstated social worker' by Ian Davies (Westminster CHE group)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/4 Saunders case, LLGR Conference, Westminster by-election 1977-1987**

Papers from the Saunders case (1980); Legislation for Lesbian and Gay Rights Conference (1987); Westminster by-election (1977), [1977-1987]

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/4/1 Saunders case 1980**

Papers regarding John Saunders, who was dismissed from his job solely on the grounds

that information had been received that he was homosexual, [1980]

Includes:

- the ruling of the Employment Appeal Tribunal (14 April 1980)
- miscellaneous papers including correspondence with the General and Municipal Workers' Union; Department of Employment; National Council for Civil Liberties (May 1980)
- papers covering the organisation of the parliamentary lobbying campaign on the Saunders case by SHRG/CHE/NCCL (including House of Commons meeting on 18 June 1980); correspondence with the Home Office; press cuttings (June 1980)
- correspondence regarding CHE's lobbying campaign of English and Welsh MPs (May-September 1980)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/4/2 Legislation for Lesbian and Gay Rights Conference 1986-1987**

Papers from the Legislation for Lesbian and Gay Rights Conference, [1986-1987]

Includes:

- publicity leaflet, information bulletin, agendas/minutes of planning meetings, constitution, minutes of final plenary session (24 May 1987), final workshop resolutions; message for follow-up meetings and the formation of a follow-up national campaign organisation
- preparatory papers and resolutions of individual workshops (AIDS, Arts, Civil Law, Children and Young Persons, people with disabilities, custody and parenting, education, employment, housing, immigration, lesbian custody, local government, media, mental health, policing, prisons, social services, status offences, transsexuals, victims of crime, young people in care)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/4/3 Westminster by-election 1977**

Papers from the Westminster by-election (February 1977), in which Peter Mitchell stood

as the Campaign for Homosexual Civil Rights  
candidate, [1977]

Includes:

- Peter Mitchell's election address
- proposal for the campaign
- Peter Mitchell's account of the campaign for  
CHE's OUT magazine
- press cuttings from Gay News

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/5 Publications**

**1957-  
1986**

Publications by CHE and other activist  
organisations, [1957-1986]

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/5/1 CHE Publications**

**1975-1981**

CHE publications, [1975-1981]

Includes:

- No Offence – The Case for Homosexual Equality at Law (Bob Sturgess; published by CHE in conjunction with SMG, USFI; 1975)
  - Homosexuality – A Fact of Life (Teacher's Guide; 1978)
  - Homosexuality – A Fact of Life (Students' Booklet; 1978)
  - ... queers need not apply ... (A Report of the Commission on Discrimination; 1979)
  - Attacks on Gay People (A Report of the Commission on Discrimination; 1980)
  - What about the Gay Workers? (A Report of the Commission on Discrimination; 1981)
- OPEN**

**PAMA/2/5/2 Publications**

**1957-1992**

Publications related to CHE activism, [1957-1992]

Includes:

- Grass Roots: A Campaign Manual for Gay People (Bruce Galloway and Grass Roots Group, 1983)
- Report of the Committee on Homosexual Offences and Prostitution (the Wolfenden Report) (1957; reprinted 1968)
- Jenny lives with Eric and Martin (Susanne Bosche; Gay Men's Press, 1983)
- 'The Age of Consent for Male Homosexuals' (J Clifford Hindley; The Criminal Law Review, September 1986)
- Lesbian and Gay Socialist (Summer 1986)
- Supplementary information on sexual offences and sentencing (Roy Walmsley and Karen White; Research Unit Paper 2, Home Office, 1980)
- Violence against Gay Men in Lewisham (Lewisham Gay Alliance, 1992)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/6 Pamphlets and publications on lesbian and gay rights**

**1969-1998**

Pamphlets and publications on lesbian and gay rights, [1969-1998]

Includes:

- The Case for Change (Stonewall, 1993)
- Becoming Visible: The Legacy of Stonewall: an exhibition on the history of New York's

lesbian and gay communities (New York Public Library, 18 June-24 September 1994)

- Are We Being Served (Lesbians, Gays and Broadcasting Project Report, 1987)
- Gay Liberation Front Manifesto (1971; revised 1979)
- Gay Men and Feminism: a discussion (Gay Liberation against the Right Everywhere [GLARE], 1982)
- Gays at Work (Gay Rights at Work Committee, 1980)
- Gay Men at Work: a report on discrimination against gay men in employment in London (Lesbian & Gay Employment Rights, 1986)
- Gay People in NATFHE: a statement by TFHE [Teachers in Further Education & Higher Education] Gay Group (c.1981)
- Gay Pride 79 Souvenir Programme
- Gay Workers: Trade Unions and the Law (National Council for Civil Liberties, 1981)
- Gay Workers: Trade Unions and the Law (National Council for Civil Liberties, 1983)
- Equality Now for Lesbians and Gay Men (Irish Council for Civil Liberties, 1990)
- Discrimination Against Gay Men and Lesbians: a study of the nature and extent of discrimination against homosexual men and women in Britain today (Social & Community Planning Research, 1995)
- Fostering and Adoption by Lesbians and Gay Men (London Strategic Policy Unit, 1988)
- Christian Renewal [journal] No. 10 (Summer 1973)
- 'A case for Equality': the second Stonewall lecture (Peter Duffy Q.C.; Stonewall, 1997)
- Arrested Development? Stonewall survey on the age of consent & sex education (1993)
- Blue Straps and Pink Triangles: by history denied [concept paper for a documentary on the Nazi persecution of homosexuals] (AudioVisioConcept, c.1995)
- Changing the World: A London Charter for Gay and Lesbian Rights (Greater London Council and GLC Gay Working Party, 1985)
- Godly and Gay by Rabbi Lionel Blue (The Fourth Michael Harding Memorial Address; Gay Christian Movement, 1981)
- Growing Up Gay (A Youth Liberation Pamphlet, 1978)



- Homosexuality and the Sickness Theory (An Albany Trust Talking Point, 1969)
- Homosexuality and the Social Services (The Report of an NCCL Survey of Local Authority Social Service Committees, 1977)
- Homosexuality and the Teaching Profession (NCCL Report No 8, 1975)
- Journal of Homosexuality volume 21, No. 4 (1991)
- Homosexuality in Britain: A Conservative Perspective (Conservative Group for Homosexual Equality, c.1976)
- Talking about Young Lesbians (London Gay Teenage Group, 1984)
- The Place of Law in the Field of Sex: The Beckly Lecture for 1972 (Sexual Law Reform Society)
- The Politics of Homosexuality (Edinburgh Gay Activists Alliance, 1973)
- Where Next? Human Rights the next thirty years in Western Europe (Liberal Publication Department, 1980)
- With Downcast Gays: aspects of homosexual self-oppression (Pomegranate Press, 1977)
- Motherhood, Lesbianism and Child Custody (Wages Due Lesbians Toronto and Falling Wall Press, 1977)
- Open and Positive: an account of how John Warburton came out at school and the consequences (Gay Teachers' Group, London, 1978)
- Psychiatry and the Homosexual: a brief analysis of oppression (Gay Liberation pamphlet no 1, 1978)
- Talking about School (London Gay Teenage Group, 1984)
- Lesbian & Gay Rights (Social Justice Resource Project and Legal Education Action Project, Institute of Technology, University of Cape Town, 1992)
- Lesbian and Gay Parenting Conference (Stonewall, November 1998)
- Lesbian Mothers on Trial: a report on lesbian mothers & child custody (Rights of Women, 1984)
- Less Equal Than Others: a survey of lesbians & gay men at work (Stonewall, 1993)
- London Lesbian & Gay Centre – first birthday souvenir diary (April 1986)

- script for dramatic piece 'Mister X' by Roger Baker and Drew Griffiths (1975)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/7**

**UK Lesbian and Gay Magazines and Newsletters**

**1972-1981**

UK lesbian and gay magazines and newsletters, [1972-1981]

Includes:

- Gay Noise Nos 1, 5, 7-9, 12 (14 August 1980-12 February 1981)

- Gay Sweatshop newsletter 2 (November 1975), 4 (January/February 1976) and unnumbered (July 1976)

- Gay Youth (later Lesbian & Gay Youth) issue No 2 (Summer 1981), No 9 (June 1983), winter 1985-86

- Lunch Nos 10, 13-16, 18, 20-22, 24 (July 1972-December 1973)

- Sappho vol 5, no 3 (1977)

- The Gay Journal: a new quarterly of culture and liberation produced by gay women and men, Number One (Autumn 1978)

- Time Out [A mark of oppression becomes a badge of pride: London celebrates a decade of Gay Liberation] No. 479 (22-28 June 1979)

**OPEN**

**PAMA/2/8**

**Books**

**1977-2016**

Twenty-one books on lesbian and gay rights in the UK in the 1970s-1980s, [1977-2016]

Includes:

- All in a Day's Work: A report on anti-lesbian discrimination in employment and unemployment in London (Nina Taylor [ed]; Lesbian Employment Rights, 1986)

- The Battle for Bermondsey (Peter Tatchell; heretic books, 1983)

- Coming Out: Homosexual Politics in Britain, from the Nineteenth Century to the Present (Jeffrey Weeks; Quartet, 1977)

- Coming Out of the Blue (Marc E Burke; Cassell, 1993)

- Gays and the Law (Paul Crane; Pluto Press, 1982)

- Homosexual Relationships: a contribution to discussion (General Synod Board for Social Responsibility; CIO Press, 1979)

- The Law and Sexuality: How to cope with the law if you're not 100% conventionally heterosexual (Steve Cohen et al.; Grass Roots Books, 1978)
- Peers, Queers, and Commons: The struggle for gay law reform from 1950 to the present (Stephen Jeffery-Poulter; Routledge, 1991)
- Prejudice and Pride: Discrimination against gay people in modern Britain (Bruce Galloway [ed]; Routledge & Kegan Paul, 1983)
- Quest for Justice: Towards Homosexual Emancipation (Antony Grey; Sinclair-Stevenson, 1992)
- Radical Records: Thirty Years of Lesbian and Gay History, 1957-1987 (Bob Cant and Susan Hemmings [eds]; Routledge, 1988)
- 'Research on Homosexuality in the Netherlands' (C.J. Straver; The Netherlands Journal of Sociology, vol. 12, no. 2, December 1976)
- Rocking the Cradle: Lesbian Mothers: A Challenge in Family Living (Gillian E Hanscombe and Jackie Forster; Peter Owen, 1981)
- Sodom, Gomorrah and the New Jerusalem: Labour and lesbian and gay rights, from Edward Carpenter to today (Peter Purton; Labour Campaign for Lesbian and Gay Rights, 2006)
- Something to tell you: the experiences and needs of young lesbians and gay men in London (Lorraine Trenchard and Hugh Warren; London Gay Teenage Group, 1984)
- The Story About Peter Wells (Merrick Badger; Glad To Be Gay/Purple White & Green, 2016) - includes audiobook read by Tom Robinson
- Trouble with the law? A legal handbook for lesbians & gay men (Caroline Gooding; GMP Publishers, 1992)
- Unlawful Sex: Offences, Victims and Offenders in the Criminal Justice System of England and Wales (The Report of a Howard League Working Party; Waterlow Publishers, 1985)
- Whatever happened to sex? (Mary Whitehouse; Wayland Publishers, 1977)
- Young, Gay and Proud! (Boston, MA: Alyson Publications, 1980)

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**PAMA/2/9 Posters**

**1980**

Two posters championing lesbian gay rights,  
[1980]  
Includes:

- poster (H39cm x W51cm), Gay Pride '80 logo printed in dark purple on a hot pink background. The logo is a hand grasping a placard pole; a capital letter 'G' encircles the hand; inside this are the words Gay Pride '80 (2 copies)

- poster (H59cm x W43cm), off-white with pink and black lettering reading Gay Pride Summer Festival 28 June After Gay Pride March from Temple, University of London Student Union Building, Malet St WC1. The poster is decorated with pink stars, an image in black of an open, empty closet and words including Music, Creche, Food, Disco-Cabaret, Wrestling, Sauna, Workshop, Theatre, Stalls. Also features the Gay Pride '80 logo

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