

# M307 Alterations to 4 Blythswood Square

## Introduction

Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh's drawings submitted to the Glasgow Dean of Guild Court show alterations to the N.-facing roof and to the window of a large first-floor studio at the rear of the building. The roof was reconstructed with a steeper pitch, a roof-light inserted, and the window heightened. The client and building owner was photographer William M. Warneuke, who in 1911 had premises in Sauchiehall Street, but had previously worked from this address. <sup>1</sup>

**Authorship:** This is one of over 270 jobs carried out in the office of John Honeyman & Keppie (Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh from 1901) during Mackintosh's time there. Mackintosh undoubtedly worked on many of these, but there is no specific evidence for his involvement in this case.

**Status:** Standing building substantially altered internally

**Current use:** Offices (2014)

**Listing category:** B: Listed as '1-7 (inclusive nos.) Blythswood Square and 112 Douglas Street'

**Historic Scotland/HB Number:** 32975

**RCAHMS Site Number:** NS56NE 249

**Grid reference:** NS 58478 65751

## Chronology

### 1911

February: Earliest date of drawings submitted to the Glasgow Dean of Guild Court. <sup>1</sup>

16 March: Plans approved by the Dean of Guild Court. <sup>2</sup>

## Description

## People

### Clients:

- William M. Warneuke

## Job Book

The job books of Honeyman & Keppie (later Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh) are now held by The Hunterian, University of Glasgow and include four volumes related to the Mackintosh period. The books were used by the firm to keep a project-by-project, day-by-day record of contractors, suppliers and expenditure. The name of a project and/or client is usually at the top of the left-hand page, followed by information about tradesmen who tendered. The name of the measurer (quantity surveyor) is usually at the top of the right-hand page, followed by information about payments to contractors and suppliers. All of the data for M307 is entered in the tables below.

Page numbering is not consistent in the job books. Sometimes a single number refers to a double-page spread and sometimes each page is individually numbered. Here, each image of a double-page spread is identified by the number given at the top of the left-hand page. (Images of all of the pages from the four job books can be found at [Browse Job Books](#), [Visit Book and Cash Book](#).)

The following information about M307 has been extracted from the job books:

## Documents

## Images

## Bibliography

### Published

- Elizabeth Williamson, Anne Riches and Malcolm Higgs, *Buildings of Scotland: Glasgow*, London: Penguin, 1990, p. 215

### Notes:

**1:** In 1900–1 Warneuke worked from 4 Blythswood Square and 153 Sauchiehall Street. *Glasgow Post Office Directory*, 1900–1, p. 628; by 1911 he was working at 127 Sauchiehall Street only. *Glasgow Post Office Directory*, 1910–11, p. 687. Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh moved from 4 Blythswood Square in summer 1911; on 28 July a payment to the National Telephone Company for 'shifting to new offices' is recorded in the firm's cash book. The Hunterian, University of Glasgow: John Honeyman & Keppie / Honeyman, Keppie & Mackintosh / Keppie Henderson cash book, 1889–1917, GLAHA 53079, p. 143.

**2:** Glasgow City Archives Collection: Glasgow Dean of Guild Court plans, B4/12/1911/88.

**3:** See inscription on block plan. Glasgow City Archives Collection: Glasgow Dean of Guild Court plans, B4/12/1911/88.

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