**4.3. Ingham Infirmary, South Shields, Workmen’s Subscriptions by coal companies, 1881 to 1912.**

Note: In the mixed economy of hospital provision that characterised British health services before 1948, funding was secured from a variety of sources, including industrial employers who, in return for donations or subscriptions, gained tickets of admission that they were able to distribute to workers. The larger sums paid by the Whitburn Colliery below suggests that, in contrast to the other companies featured below, it made deductions from workers’ pay and handed the sums over to the Infirmary, whereas the smaller but varied sums paid each year by the Harton Coal Company suggests that either it had a smaller workforce or else that only a section of the employees contributed, possibly the officials alone.

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| Year | Coal Company | | | | | |
| The Harton Coal Company, Staiths | Harton Colliery | St Hilda Colliery | Marsden Colliery | New Sinking | Whitburn Colliery |
| 1881 | £4 8s. 8d. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1882 | £4 18s. 6d. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1883 | £6 8s. 10d. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1884 | £5 10s. 0d. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1885 | £5 6s. 6d. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1886 | £6 19s. 10d. |  | £2 2s. 0d. |  |  |  |
| 1887 | £3 0s. 0d. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1888 | £5 12s. 0d. |  | £18 5s. 2d. |  |  |  |
| 1889 | £6 12s. 10d. |  | £17 0s. 0d. | £7 0s. 0d. |  |  |
| 1890 | £3 0s. 10d. |  | £26 2s. 4d. | £22 0s. 0d. |  |  |
| 1891 | £4 19s. 4d. |  | £20 14s. 4d. | £32 15s. 0d. |  |  |
| 1892 | £4 6s. 3d. |  | £15 19s. 8d. | £19 16s. 0d. |  |  |
| 1893 | £2 5s. 0d. |  | £19 2s. 11d. | £19 9s. 8d. |  |  |
| 1894 | £4 5s. 0d. | £4 15s. 0d. | £23 2s. 9d. |  |  |  |
| 1895 |  | £10 0s. 0d. | £25 8s. 6d. |  |  |  |
| 1896 |  | £10 0s. 0d. | £24 0s. 9d. |  |  |  |
| 1897 |  | £10 0s. 0d. | £19 0s. 8d. |  |  |  |
| 1898 |  | £10 0s. 0d. | £21 9s. 8d. |  |  |  |
| 1899 |  | £10 0s. 0d. | £20 1s. 4d. |  |  |  |
| 1900 |  | £20 0s. 0d. | £44 0s. 1d. |  |  |  |
| 1901 |  | £20 0s. 0d. | £59 6s. 5d. |  |  |  |
| 1902 |  | £20 0s. 0d. | £58 2s. 7d. |  |  |  |
| 1903 |  | £20 0s. 0d. | £53 6s. 4d. |  |  |  |
| 1904 | £4 18s. 2d. | £30 0s. 0d. | £58 17s. 6d. |  |  |  |
| 1905 |  | £30 0s. 0d. | £56 3s. 8d. |  |  |  |
| 1906 |  | £30 0s. 0d. | £61 17s. 9d. |  |  |  |
| 1907 |  | £30 0s. 0d. | £59 11s. 2d. |  |  |  |
| 1908 |  | £30 0s. 0d. | £49 7s. 6d. |  |  |  |
| 1909 |  | £30 0s. 0d. | £44 7s. 5d. |  |  |  |
| 1910 | £13 15s. 2d. | £50 0s. 0d. | £66 7s. 4d. |  | £3 14s. 2d. | £244 8s. 4d. |
| 1911 | £16 13s. 5d. | £75 0s. 0d. | £85 10s. 5d. |  | £5 1s. 6d. | £240 3s. 0d. |
| 1912 | £15 7s. 6d. | £100 0s. 0d. | £69 7s. 6d. |  | £4 15s. 4d. | £200 0s. 0d. |

Source: Tyne and Wear Archive Service, HO.ING/10, Ingham Infirmary, South Shields, Workmen’s Subscriptions, 30th June 1876 – 30th June 1913.