

Information Sheet

An Oral History of Post-War Leicester 1945-1962

An Oral History of Post-War Leicester 1945-1962 is a research project, funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, which is being conducted by the East Midlands Oral History Archive (EMOHA) at the University of Leicester.

The years after World War Two saw some dramatic changes that still affect us today. There were huge new housing estates built around Leicester; the start of migration from the new Commonwealth; the creation of the National Health Service; the start of the nuclear age. In 1957 the Prime Minister Harold McMillan proclaimed that 'most of our people have never had it so good'.

Volunteers are recording people's memories of this period and these recordings are being added to the collections at EMOHA. The immediate aim of the project is to add information from the recordings to Leicester City Council's 'Story of Leicester' website, but we also hope that in the years to come researchers, students, family historians, and anyone with an interest in the history of Leicester will find these memories fascinating and educational.

If you would like to be recorded for the project

- The recording should be anywhere up to an hour in length.
- It should take place in a quiet environment.
- It will be recorded (we will give you a copy on CD)
- We will ask you to sign a couple of consent forms so we can add the recording to the Archive legally, ethically, and with your approval.

If you want to know more about the East Midlands Oral History Archive and this project, have a look at the website at: <http://www.le.ac.uk/emoha>

The Story of Leicester website is here: <http://www.storyofleicester.info/>

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