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Ecclesfield Civil Parish *Past & Present Archiving Project*

Events Update Feb. 2016

Ecclesfield Parish Council's *Past & Present Archiving Project* is organising the following in the next few weeks. Everyone is welcome.

Thornccliffe (Newton Chambers) Archive starting 9th Feb. There will be a team of volunteers digitising some of the material from the Newton Chambers Ltd collection which is held at the offices on the Thornccliffe Industrial Estate. We are looking for more helpers to help with the process of preparing, recording and digitising the material over the next few weeks. If you are interested please contact Christine in the first place.

Visit to Stocksbridge Local History Society's Archive: We are arranging a visit on 25th February starting at 10.30am at the old town hall in Stocksbridge. The group will be providing refreshments and a light lunch so pre-booking by 18th Feb. is essential. The visit is free and will be an opportunity to see the material they have and the archive room that they have created at the old town hall. Places are limited.

Recording Memories & Reminiscences: a 1-day training session on 27th February at St John's Centre, Chapeltown. This is a good opportunity to attend the Oral History Society's introductory training course run by Michelle Winslow one of their regional trainers. It will take people through the whole process of recording memories. No prior experience necessary but it would also suit those who would like a refresher course. It is free to attend with lunch etc. provided. Places are limited and need to be booked in advance. Please contact Christine to book a place.

Festival of Britain 65 years on: request for memories & mementoes. In 1951, the summer long Festival had an impact on the local area as well as being a focal point for the whole of the UK. We've already discovered some material relating to the local festival which took place in parallel with the national one. And, as part of the Archiving Project, I'd like to collect more material to create a display and hold an event to celebrate 65 years on. If you took part in the original festival locally or went on a trip to London and have any photos or other material, I'd be interested to hear from you.

For more details of these and other events and training sessions, and to book a place, please contact, Christine, at the Council Offices, Mortomley Lane, High Green, Sheffield S35 3HS; telephone: 0114 2845095; email: Christine.handley@ecclesfield-pc.gov.uk .