

Community – Researching our Own Community History

We live in communities full of different people. Different ages, races, faiths, genders, sexualities and political beliefs. Each community, each neighbourhood and each town or city has their own diverse community with their own diverse history.

But what do you know about your own community's history? In particular, what do you know about the history of black or other ethnic minorities and their role within the place where you live? Or what has your local area done to help support the search for rights and equalities of all?

Using the internet, or even by talking to members of your local community, we would like you to put together your findings about your own community's racial history.

You can display your findings in any way you like – try to make sure you include images as well as words.

An example of some places to start looking are below. These will especially help you if you are based in the Manchester area. If you live elsewhere, can these stories help give you ideas about where to start your research about your own community?

Euton Christian – Joined the RAF in World War 2, trained to be a camouflage artist.
First Black Post Office manager in the UK based in Old Trafford.

Abraham Lincoln and Manchester's role in bringing down slavery

<https://www.theguardian.com/theguardian/from-the-archive-blog/2013/feb/04/lincoln-oscars-manchester-cotton-abraham>

