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# NORWICH JEWISH HERITAGE GROUP

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The City of Norwich and surrounding areas have a rich Jewish heritage, starting in the Middle Ages and continuing to the present day. This history is little understood, and not often interpreted for the public, but it encompasses everything from world renowned figures to family memories, and it is a microcosm of national and international diaspora heritage.

Following the creation of new community facilities at Norwich Synagogue, a group of partners including Norwich Hebrew Congregation, UEA and Norfolk Record Office propose the instigation of a new heritage group, to be open to all – Jews and non-Jews – who have an interest in researching, archiving, and presenting Jewish histories from our area. The group will start by cataloguing the historical collection owned by Norwich Hebrew Congregation, and will move on to collecting other documents and memories, digitising privately owned material, collecting oral histories, and creating public heritage interpretation. The aim is to create a new publicly accessible Jewish Heritage resource for the city and county, and a sustainable community organisation which will go on to develop its own projects.

We are now looking for volunteers to join us. This is an opportunity to contribute to active research whilst sharing and developing your own skills, and as part of the Norfolk Record Office project 'Community Archives: Skills, Support & Sustainability' training will be available in archive techniques including:

- Collections Management
- Preservation
- Cataloguing
- Digitisation
- Interpretive Planning
- Oral History

## AN OPEN MEETING

For prospective volunteers and interested parties will be held at the Jewish Community Centre at Norwich Synagogue, 3A Earlham Rd, on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 5-7pm**. All are welcome. We ask that you wear a face covering to make the meeting comfortable for all, and if you are unable to attend in person a Zoom link can be provided.

Fortnightly group meetings, also on Tuesday evenings, will commence in the New Year.

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