

# Oral History

## Help Sheet 7: Sources of information and advice

The Oral History Society provides a wealth of online information and resources and is the best starting point for further advice (<http://www.ohs.org.uk/>). The site includes training and advice pages, and the Society publishes the Oral History Journal, although this is only available to members.

The East Midlands Oral History Association has a particularly good website, including a number of information sheets and a variety of other training material (<https://www.le.ac.uk/emoha/training.html>).

Step by step information on how to develop, run and sustain a project can be found at [http://dohistory.org/on\\_your\\_own/toolkit/oralHistory.html](http://dohistory.org/on_your_own/toolkit/oralHistory.html).

*Doing Oral History: A Practical Guide*, by Donald A Ritchie, Oxford University Press, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, 2014, is recognised as a thorough text book on all aspects of oral history, and is presented in an easy to follow Q&A format.

There are a number of excellent examples of completed oral history projects on line. See in particular West Yorkshire Archive Service's NowThen website (<http://nowthen.org/collections>).

### Local examples of successful oral history projects

Gloucestershire Archives has been a partner in several successful local projects. Edited excerpts of collected oral history interviews can be heard on the following project web sites:

- The Gloucester Rugby heritage project -  
<http://www.gloucestrugbyheritage.org.uk/category/interviews>
- The Fielding & Platt heritage project –  
<http://www.fieldingandplathistory.org.uk/>
- The Hidden Lives project, celebrating the communities of Barton & Tredworth –  
<http://www.bartonandtredworth.org.uk>