

Generations of Learning

The Ashford Place, Heritage Lottery funded **Generations of Learning** project is working with Elders from the Irish and Pakistani communities to record and share their experiences of migrating to Cricklewood and surrounding areas in the 1950s and 1960s.

The project includes recording oral history interviews, creating a short film, developing an exhibition, and presenting community events such as story-telling and public talks. It will run from November 2017 to October 2018.

Volunteer Oral History Interviewers

Ashford Place will be recording about 30 interviews with Elders from the Irish and Pakistani communities, to capture their memories of coming to London and building a life in a new country.

Following full training, the Volunteer Oral History Interviewers will work in pairs to visit Elders' homes and record interviews, take photographs, and collect any historic material to be donated to the project. The work will include meeting interviewees for pre-interview briefings and completing permission forms. After the interviews, volunteers will be responsible for editing the recordings using specialist software and for writing short summaries of the interviews. The role requires carrying and using digital sound recording equipment. We welcome applications from people with disabilities or impairments and will be happy to discuss what suitable adjustments might be made to the role.

On a day-to-day basis, the Volunteer Oral History Interviewer will work both independently and alongside another interviewer.

Interviewing Elders will involve visiting their homes, so the Volunteer Oral History Interviewer must be comfortable with this, as well as understanding appropriate respectful behaviour interviewing Elders from different cultures.

The volunteer will be supported by the Project Lead to identify training needs, with regular meetings to ensure progress. Training and extra expenses, such as transporting equipment, will be paid for by the project. Daily expenses will be paid via BACS.

The Volunteer Oral History Interviewer role will include about 24 days between January - March 2018. There will be some flexibility on the days worked, in agreement with the Project Lead. Training will be organised for December 2017.

If you would like to have an informal chat about the role, please contact the Project Lead, Sorcha, on 020 8208 8590.

Or send a short letter (no more than 2 A4 pages) describing why you are interested in the role, what you would bring to it, and what you would hope to get out of it to:
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