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## TOWNSCAPE HERITAGE SCHEME

### Queen Street Townscape Heritage Project Volunteer Newsletter



#### History Fair

We were very excited to have a stall at the Wolverhampton City Archive History Fair which took place Saturday 28th October. It was a great day and we were able to make lots of useful contacts.

I'd like to thank all of the Queen Street volunteers who assisted us with the event.

Gabi very kindly prepared some wonderful 'Colour in Queen Street' images. Andy and Michelle popped in to talk to visitors about their involvement with the project and Charlie was our designated photographer and social media extraordinaire.

If you are interested in assisting with future events, please get in touch.



**Welcome** to the November issue of the Queen Street Volunteer Newsletter. What a busy month it has been!

First of all I would like to thank everyone who attended the Queen Street Volunteers Autumn Forum in October. I was so pleased with the turnout and it was wonderful to see everyone come together.

Thank you also to all of the volunteers who attended our events and training sessions this month. I have been blown away by your commitment and enthusiasm.

In this month's issue, you will find an update on the 'app' questionnaire, an update on the progress of our social media efforts and a reminder of upcoming events.

Please note that the next newsletter will land in January. If you have any suggestions for future content, please do get in touch.

**Ashleigh**

Community Engagement Officer



## Sources & Referencing Workshop

At the beginning of the month, we hosted the first 'Sources and Referencing Workshop'. Several volunteers mentioned at the last meeting that they would appreciate some additional training in this area and thanks to this communication we were able to organise something fairly quickly. If you have any ideas for additional training, please do get in touch and we will take all ideas on board.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who attended the session and for being such a lovely group to work with. Stay tuned for an extended post on this event, written by one of our lovely volunteers.

If you are interested in finding out more about future training sessions, please see the 'Volunteer Training Form' or drop me an email.



## Mini-Photography Project

Thank you to Charlie and Gabi who braved the cold to photograph Queen Street. Armed with several 'old' photographs we took to the streets and tried to replicate the angle and positioning of the original shots.

Our volunteers are now hard at work editing the photographs to produce some then and now images, I've included a sneak peek below and I'm sure you'll agree they are very effective! If you would like to get involved with a similar mini-project, please do get in touch.



*Image edited by Gabriella De Rosa*

## Key Dates and Upcoming Events (November - December)

- **Queen Street Volunteer Forum**  
Wednesday 22nd November  
11:00, Art Gallery
- **Research Drop-In**  
Wednesday 22nd November,  
14:00 - 16:00, City Archives
- **Volunteer Recruitment Drop-In**  
Monday 27th November  
14:00 - 16:00
- **Volunteer Christmas Celebration**  
Tuesday 28th November  
10:30, Art Gallery
- **Intro to Archives**  
Wednesday 29th November  
10:30, City Archive
- **Research Drop-In**  
Wednesday 6th December  
14:00 - 16:00

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## App Questionnaire: The Results

I am very pleased to announce that we had nearly 300 responses to the Queen Street App Questionnaire. We are still processing the results but early findings are very positive. The majority of respondents indicated that they **would** like to see a Queen Street app. We will deliver our findings to HLF and keep you informed of the results.

I'd like to thank everyone who took the time to complete the questionnaire, your opinions are very important to us. Thank you also to those of you who shared the survey with friends and family.

## Social Media Update

Social media has progressed slightly slower than expected but we are gradually finding our feet. Our immediate priority is to expand our following. Hopefully some of you have checked out our Facebook page and please do continue sharing the link with family and friends.

### Social Media Volunteers:

Thank you to all of the volunteers working at developing our presence on social media. There are some exciting things in the works!

**Volunteer Spotlight:** I've asked Swaranjit to interview some of our Queen Street volunteers for a special feature. If this is something that you may be interested in, please send me an email.

### Document of the month:

I'm looking for document of the month contributions. If you have uncovered an interesting or exciting document during the course of your research, please get in touch. All ideas welcome!

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