

# My Place Through Time - Join in a local Hastings heritage project

#### What is it about?

On March 21st this year the census will take place. Every 10 years each household submits information about its inhabitants and that data is collected to form a detailed picture of society and the state of our nation. The UK has had a census every decade since 1801. It's our richest source of information about everyday life.

University of Brighton and Strike a Light - Arts & Heritage CIC are working on a heritage project where people use information from past census' to reach out into history and touch the past, the lives of ordinary people; the very people who lived in your house and your neighbourhood! The Southwater Community Centre in St Leonards is the neighbourhood coordinator for this project.

### How can I take part?

We are looking for a varied cross section of people and places to participate.

- Fill in our application form and take part in an online workshop session. You can also take part without computer access just get in touch.
- Look out for links to our FREE census talks; topics include the Suffragettes, health and disability.

## What will I need to do to take part?

- 1. Plan to spend approximately 10 hours being a history detective, delving into past stories of your house, your street, your neighbourhood as revealed from information from past census 1901 and 19011.
- 2. Write up and present your findings in a scrapbook style. It could be a simple report or something more imaginative with pictures and more. You can do the project alone, with your family or a friend.
- 3. Strike a Light Arts & Heritage will provide access to the census information, research resources, tips, and advice to help and inspire your 'My Place Through Time' project.

### What happens then?

The deadline to finish your project is **March 25th**. Digital images of all the projects will be uploaded to an online portal for other people to enjoy.

#### To take part, get in touch.

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