The film collection of Southwark Local History Library and Archive (SLHLA) is made up of films that were commissioned by the council and those that were made and/or donated by individuals and organisations. Most of the collection is listed here including titles digitised from film and video format.

We regularly add titles to the collection. So, if there is a film that you feel we may have that is not on this list, please ask a member of staff.

How to access the film collection

Visitors to Southwark Local History Library and Archive can view any of the films listed in this leaflet in the library for private research and educational use, free of charge. Generally, you can just turn up and watch the films on our dedicated TV/DVD unit. Films are not available for loan and copying is strictly prohibited.

What’s Online?

Over half of the film collection was digitized by London’s Screen Archives (LSA). LSA is the regional network of over 100 archives, museums, libraries and organizations with moving image holdings. A selection of SLHLA’s film collection is available to view online free of charge via London’s Screen Archive at www.londonsscreenarchives.org.uk.

Some of the film collection can also be seen on YouTube at: www.youtube.com/user/LondonsScreenArchive

Film donations and reproduction requests

Please contact Southwark Local History Library and Archive if you have film that may be of significance to the borough of Southwark. You can donate your film where it will be preserved and made accessible to the general public. Reproduction requests must be sent in writing to the library and where necessary, will be passed onto the rights holder for permission.

Please note the quality of each film will vary. The term ‘film’ is used interchangeably in this leaflet to mean moving image from any original format.
THE FILM COLLECTION

Bermondsey Borough Council Films

The Bermondsey Borough Council made over 30 films between the 1920s and 1940s. Most of the films were made by the Council’s Health Department under the medical direction of Dr Connan who was the Medical Officer for Health for the borough at the time. The films were aimed at improving the health of the borough’s residents, many of whom had died from preventable diseases like diphtheria. The Council were able to show these films in ‘cinemotors’ which, being portable, enabled them to reach a wider audience and communities that would otherwise not have the means to see them. This visual way of getting the message of good health across, was hugely popular with the residents of Bermondsey and set a precedent as an effective way of communicating with the public.

The following Bermondsey Borough Council films can be viewed in the library and on the Wellcome Collection’s website. Other Bermondsey Borough Council films are listed throughout the booklet.

Some Activities of the Bermondsey Borough Council (1931)

The documenting of the Labour run Bermondsey Council’s health information films which pursued programmes to improve public health and welfare of the mainly working class population of the time.
REF: LHLDVD80 / 26 mins / silent
Also available on the Wellcome Collection’s website:

Where There’s Life There’s Soap (1936)

Bermondsey Borough Council health information film on the importance of personal hygiene to health.
REF: LHLDVD81 / 19 mins / silent
Also available on the Wellcome Collection’s website:

The Empty Bed (1942)

A Bermondsey Borough Council public information film promoting the importance of immunisation against diphtheria. The film dramatises the devastation caused when a mother loses her son to the infection.
REF: LHLDVD82 / 17 mins / silent
Also available on the Wellcome Collection’s website:

‘Oppin (1930)

A Bermondsey Borough Council public health information film about the working holidays in the Kent’s hop fields taken by thousands of working class residents from Bermondsey.
REF: LHLDVD8 / 20 mins / silent
Brandon Estate Cine Club films of the 1960s and 70s

The film collection at Southwark Local History Library and Archive

Brandon Estate Cine Club films of the 1960s and 70s

The Brandon Estate Cine Club film collection comprises around 23 films originally shot on standard 8mm film. The films were made by Richard Morgan and Brian Waterman, both cine enthusiasts who started the cine club on the Brandon Estate in Walworth, south east London in the 1960s. The films are a historical record of the resident’s activities on the estate and on their annual trips to Canvey Island.

(The duration of each film varies and is typically between 7 to 16 minutes long. All are silent except LHLDVD76)

Cine Club outing to Stratford on Avon (1962); Cambridge Dance with Nicholas Parsons (1961); Children’s party (c.1961)
Brandon Estate tenants on trip to Stratford-Upon-Avon and a Christmas party for children in the club hall.
REF: LHLDVD75 (LSA1486)

LCC Brandon Estate (feat. Brandon Library) (late 1960/early 70s)/Sports Day 1962/The Baby Show (c.1962)
General views of the estate, including interiors of Brandon Library
REF: LHLDVD75 (LSA1488)

Return to Canvey Island (c.1965)
Brandon Estate residents’ trip to Canvey Island
REF: LHLDVD75 (LSA1489)

Canvey for the Cup (c.1967)
Brandon Estate residents’ trip to Canvey Island
REF: LHLDVD75 (LSA1490)

Brandon Estate Cine Club films continued:

Canvey 1972
Brandon Estate residents’ trip to Canvey Island
REF: LHLDVD75 (LSA1491)

Canvey 1973
Brandon Estate residents’ trip to Canvey Island
REF: LHLDVD76 (LSA1492)

A Day at the Sea (1966)
Brandon Estate residents’ trip to Canvey Island
REF: LHLDVD76 (LSA1493), original sound

Sun Fun Canvey (1970)
Brandon Estate residents’ trip to Canvey Island
REF: LHLDVD76 (LSA1494)

Brandon Estate Summer Fete (1969)
Residents hold fete on estate green, featuring tombola stalls, games, and children’s activities
REF: LHLDVD76 (LSA1495)

Kiddies Xmas Party 1962
Brandon Estate residents hold a Christmas Party for their children.
REF: LHLDVD76 (LSA1496)

Miss Jan’s Highlights (1966)
Featuring children’s stage show for Brandon Estate residents and Brandon Estate Musical band
REF: LHLDVD76 (LSA1497)

An Old Time Christmas (1965)
A retired citizens’ party
REF: LHLDVD77 (LSA1498)

Brandon Estate Cine Club films continued:
Other films in the collection

**The Fete (1970)**
Residents hold a fete on the Brandon Estate green
REF: LHLDVD77 (LSA1499)

**The Kanvey Kids: or Wot No Tea Jim! (1971)**
Lots of comedy in this film of the Brandon Estate residents’ trip to Canvey Island
REF: LHLDVD77 (LSA1500)

**Brandon Estate Meets Canvey Island (1964)**
Brandon Estate residents’ trip to Canvey Island
REF: LHLDVD77 (LSA1501)

**Canvey Capers (1969)**
Brandon Estate residents’ trip to Canvey Island
REF: LHLDVD77 (LSA1502)

**Brandon Summer Fete (1971)**
REF: LHLDVD77 (LSA1503)

**Children’s Outing (1968)**
Brandon Estate residents’ trip to Sheerness, Kent
REF: LHLDVD78 and 123 (LSA1504)

**Cine Equipment**
An instructional film, showing different types of camera and film.
REF: LHLDVD75 (LSA1487)

**5 Bob: Herbert Stead and the Old Age Pension**
A short film about one of the leaders of the first ever state pension
REF: LHLDVD146 / 6 mins

**A London Borough (1950)**
A film for Camberwell Golden Jubilee showing the evolution of local government in Camberwell using actors in a mock trial.
REF: LHLDVD 85 (or 3) / 30 mins

**A Pool of Information (1993)**
Former members and staff of the Pioneer Health Centre in Peckham discuss their experiences of ‘The Peckham Experiment’ undertaken by Dr Innes Pearse and George Scott who undertook an experiment to try and improve the health of the local community.
REF: LHLDVD14 (LSA4412) / 35 mins
*Ask staff for the booklet to accompany this film, ref: OFFICE 613.PEC*

**A Tribute to Barry Albin-Dyer (2015)**
A film made in memory to Barry Albin-Dyer OBE, who ran the respected family owned funeral business Albin and Sons, famous for repatriating British servicemen killed in action. Featuring an interview with Albin-Dyer and footage of his funeral cortege.
REF: LHLDVD157 / 39 mins 23 secs

**Arments: The First Hundred Years (2014)**
A film about the well loved pie-and-mash shop on Westmoreland Road, Walworth.
REF: LHLDVD135 / 64 mins
**Bermondsey Events of 1937 and 1938**

Featuring the exterior and interior of the newly built Spa Road Health Centre, the opening of Silver Street Playground with Ada Salter and the May Day March of 1938.

REF: LHLDVD83 (or 29) / 13 mins / silent

**Bermondsey Wall: a Time and Talents Film (c.1932)**

A film showing some scenes of everyday life in Bermondsey and children taking part in activities organised by the charity, Time and Talents, which is still going strong today.

REF: LHLDVD33 / 18 mins

**Camberwell Road (c.early 1960s)**

A short film shot on 8mm, scanning Camberwell Road from south to north, featuring the Regal Cinema and Emmanuel Church.

REF: LHLDVD154 / 1 min 19 secs / silent

**Charming Southwark (2011)**

A film made by the Cuming Museum’s Youth Panel exploring the role of charms and superstitions.

REF: LHLDVD94 / 5 mins

**Childhood Days (1929)**

The 1920s equivalent of *Little Miss Congeniality* is crowned in Walworth, Southwark.

REF: LHLDVD109 / 45 secs / silent

**Clubland (2012)**

A film by Michael Holland about Walworth Methodist Church’s recreational club which was started by the late Reverend Jimmy Butterworth. Includes interviews with people who used the club.

REF: LHLDVD140 / approx.60 mins

**Clubland Activities of the 1950s and 60s**

Rare film footage shot on 16mm by Rev.Butterworth’s wife, Mrs Butterworth, of various activities undertaken by the young people who attended Clubland in Walworth, Southwark. Features sports day in Burgess Park.

REF: LHLDVD162 / 23 mins / silent

**Clubland Original Films 1925-1976**

A selection of films showing the activities of Clubland throughout this period, compiled by Rev.Jimmy Butterworth’s family.

REF: LHLDVD134 / 42 mins

**Divided by Race: United in War and Peace (2013)**

A documentary about race relations in Britain during and after the 2nd World War featuring 14 testimonies of the surviving veterans including West Indian and African women and men who volunteered to join the war effort.

REF: LHLDVD129 / 90 mins

*Dulwich tollgate (c.1960s)*

A short film (from 8mm) showing the Dulwich tollgate, an exterior view of Dulwich gallery and environs.

REF: LHLDVD78 (LSA1507) / 2 mins / silent

**Eid Celebration at Harper Road (1990)**

General views of children and families celebrating the religious festival of Eid at Harper Road Library.

REF: LHLDVD5 (LSA4437) / 47 mins

**The Epic of Joey (1924)**

Follow that monkey! A pet makes a break for freedom in Camberwell.

REF: LHLDVD107 / 30 secs / silent

**Evidence of Health: The Peckham Experiment (1998)**

A film about a unique purpose built health research centre in Peckham called the Pioneer Health Centre where families interacted with each around social activities whilst being observed and medically checked.
REF: LHLDVD10 (LSA4403) / 32 mins
*Ask staff for the booklet to accompany this film, ref: OFFICE 613.PEC*

**Faraday Ward, May 2nd Election, 2002**
Campaign video featuring the views of 6 tenant activists standing as independents in the May 2nd local elections.
REF: LHLDVD92 (LSA4392) / 11 mins

**Films of the Walworth Area – Christmas 1969**
Mostly top shot views over Walworth, featuring Elephant and Castle.
REF: LHLDVD18 (LSA4372) / 9 mins / silent

**Great British Story: London’s Docklands** (2012)
Presenter Peter Snow takes a journey around the Docklands and looks at its history over the centuries including how Greenland Dock became model for large docklands across east London.
REF: LHLDVD149 / 30 mins

**Growing up in Southwark** (2011)
This DVD features three short films made by the Cuming Museum’s Youth Panel: ‘How to Use Southwark Local History Library and Archive’ is a contemporary guide for the public; ‘Community Life in Southwark’ looks at what community means, particularly to the locals and residents who grew up on the Brandon Estate. ‘Passport to the Future’ looks at how education in Southwark has changed.
REF: LHLDVD125 / 27 mins 30 secs

**Hayes Wharf, c.1968**
A rare view of life on the docks (possibly filmed at Mark Browns Wharf), featuring dockers loading and unloading, ships, barges and high angle views of Walworth and Lambeth. REF: LHLDVD25 (LSA4401) / 7 mins / silent

**Health Before the NHS: The Road to Recovery** (2013)
BBC Documentary looking at the health service in Britain before the NHS, featuring the work of the Bermondsey Borough Council.
REF: LHLDVD147 / 60 mins

**Horselydown to the Angel** (2009)
A film looking at the ancient area of Horselydown along the Thames from Tooley Street to Dockhead.
REF: LHLDVD102 / 24 mins 30 secs

**International Patrol Camp (1955 or 1951)**
Film of Bermondsey scouts on parade and in the camp with scouts from around the world.
REF: LHLDVD39 (LSA1484) / 9 mins / silent

**It’s Our Park: A film about Southwark Park in the summer of 2014**
REF: LHLDVD136 / 34 mins

**Jobs for a Future (date unknown, circa 1980s)**
Focusing on two young people – Pat and Kevin – this film looks at how Southwark’s 26,000 unemployed are looking for work in a borough that has the highest density of unemployed in Britain.
REF: LHLDVD89 (LSA4424) / 9 mins 30 secs

**Jubilee Night River Pageant** (1977)
Night time flotilla of decorated boats, steam engines and ships along the Thames to mark the Queen’s Silver Jubilee.
REF: LHLDVD73 (LSA1482) / 3 mins / silent

**London A Social Centre** (1928)
The future King and Queen Mother visit the Browning Settlement in Walworth.
REF: LHLDVD106 / 1 min 20 secs / silent

**Looking for Sierra Leone** (2011)
This film was made by a group of young film makers with the South London Gallery to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Sierra Leone’s Independence. The Sierra Leonean community of Southwark discusses their history, politics and culture.
REF: LHLDVD127 / 23 mins 25 secs
*Ask staff for the leaflet and poster to accompany this film*
Loyalty and Service (1998)
A look at the life the late Reverend Jimmy Butterworth and the contribution he made to Walworth and his establishment of Clubland which was opened by Queen Mary in 1939.
REF: LHLDVD13 (LSA4406) / 19 mins 30 secs

May Day (1939)
Rare antifascist march from Bermondsey to Hyde Park.
REF: LHLDVD108 / 4 mins / silent

Metropolitan Fire Brigade Turn-Out (1899)
Fire engines leaving the station at Southwark Bridge Road.
REF: LHLDVD110 / 1 min / silent

This DVD contains five individual films which explore the history of Islam in Southwark and the role of its mosques within their communities.
REF: LHLDVD113 / 2 hrs

My Grandfather and the First World War (The Life of James Hale of Walworth & Kennington in the First World War and the Queen's Territorials, 1998)
Tape-slide presentation including archive footage with voice over and music about the life of James Hale (born 1897) who served in the 1/24th (The Queens) Battalion, The London Regiment.
REF: LHLDVD22 (LSA4386) / 29 mins

My Little Grey Home in the West (1968)
An intimate portrait of the residents of Newington Lodge, a former GLC institution for the homeless and previously the site of the Newington Workhouse. Filmed on 16mm by John Goldschmidt, a former student of the Royal College of Arts, London.
REF: LHLDVD161 / 16 mins

Not Our Problem (1984)
The experience of being black and living in Southwark.
REF: LHLDVD20 (LSA4378) / 26 mins

Our School and Hard Times (1977)
This documentary broadcast on Thames Television in 1977 looks at the issues facing the education system as it was using the comprehensive school, Archbishop Michael Ramsey which was based in Camberwell, as an example.
REF: LHLDVD145 / 60 mins

Our Town (c.1950s)
General views of Rotherhithe and Bermondsey, including the docks, Bermondsey Wall, Cherry Garden Pier, Scout House, Norwegian Church, Spread Eagle & Crown with intertitles.
REF: LHLDVD84 (LSA1483) / 5 mins / silent

Peckham Travellers (2010)
A selection of films focusing on different aspects of traveller life from the Southwark Traveller’s viewpoint.
REF: LHLDVD120 / 90 mins

Rebates (1981)
A short film commissioned by Southwark Council that explores the reason why so many residents are not claiming rent rebates that they are entitled to.
LHLDVD90 (LSA4409) / 10 mins

Resources Discovered (1954)
The importance of public libraries to industry.
REF: LHLDVD37 (LSA1480) / 10 mins

St Olave’s on Horselydown (1962)
A film about the prominent boys’ grammar school which was previously situated near Tower Bridge.
REF: LHLDVD36 (LSA1477) / 41 mins

Save the Rose (1989)
This film is a crusade to save the original site of the Rose Theatre in Bankside from redevelopment and keep it open to the public as an historic monument. The film is introduced by Dustin Hoffman and presented by James Fox and features interviews with actors and notable figures from the arts.
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**Southwark Can Deliver (1989)**
Ex-leader of the Council, Anne Matthews, presents Southwark Council’s response to the government cutbacks showing how they intend to more competitive whilst improving service delivery.
REF: LHLDVD86 (LSA4411) / 21 mins

**Southwark Council Budget (The Way Forward) (1988)**
A film commissioned by Southwark Council showing how they intend to protect the borough from cuts in government funding.
REF: LHLDVD87 (LSA4417) / 14 mins

**Southwark For Jesus (2013)**
A film that promotes the work of the organization Southwark For Jesus and looks at the different ways in which it helps in the borough.
REF: LHLDVD112 / 9 mins 51 secs

**Southwark: People and Planners (‘Cities’ series) (1974)**
A look at how people power affects the planning of housing and environment in the Thameside area of Southwark.
REF: LHLDVD74 (LSA4440) / 20 mins

**Southwark’s Pride (1981)**
A film about how Southwark Council has developed the Surrey Docks.
REF: LHLDVD88 (LSA4422) / 19½ mins
Ask staff for the booklet to accompany this film, ref: 711.3132

**Southwark Strategy for Thameside (late 60s/70s)**
How plans are made for development and regeneration in Southwark, including the views of tenants.
REF: LHLDVD38 (LSA1586) / 16 mins 30secs

**The Bones Go Last: The Seven Ages of Austin Osman Spare (2010)**
A documentary about the artist who lived in Kennington and Walworth.
REF: LHLDVD128 / 33 mins

**The Castle (2001)**
A film made by the Kingswood Young People Project about Kingswood Library in Dulwich, London.
REF: LHLDVD21 (LSA4373) / 10 mins

**The Changing Face of Camberwell (1963)**
The post-war architecture of the London Borough of Camberwell.
REF: LHLDVD95 / 30 mins (also available at the BFI Mediatheque)

**The Elephant Never Forgets (2006)**
Elderly residents reminisce about the Elephant and Castle area, featuring old photos.
REF: LHLDVD17 (LSA4380) / 22 mins

**The Great British Story: London’s Docklands (2012)**
BBC programme presented by Peter Snow which looks at the development of this area throughout the centuries, featuring Greenland Dock in Rotherhithe.
REF: LHLDVD149 / 30 mins

**The Guardian of Your Life (1940)**
A War-time film about the importance of using a gas mask. A local government official is invited to a family home to give a talk on how to use a gas mask and keep it well maintained.
REF: LHLDVD28 (IWM HOY44) / 26 mins

**Them Days Are Gone (2006)**
The story of the Southwark docks told by former dock workers and their families.
REF: LHLDVD104 / 17 mins 30 secs
**The North Southwark Current (1983)**
A film about the problems caused by office development in North Southwark, featuring original footage and sound from the Hays Wharf Public meeting on 10th May and views of residents and workers in the area. REF: LHLDVD91 (LSA4441) / 30 mins

**The People’s Park (2015)**
A potted history about Burgess Park.
REF: LHLDVD158 / 5 mins 47 secs

**The Secret History of Our Streets: Camberwell Grove (2012)**
Part two of the BBC’s first series looks at how this street of grand Georgian houses has survived the inner city sprawl. Features interviews with residents past and present.
REF: LHLDVD142 / 59 mins

**The Shirley Schools (c.1929)**
Bermondsey children from The Shirley Schools partaking in outdoor activities, including maypole dancing and obstacle races. The film also shows two of their children who are prepared for leaving the home. Produced by Bermondsey Borough Council.
REF: LHLDVD 7 and 3 (with other films) / 14½ mins / silent

**The Silver Jubilee Walkway (1977)**
An historic walk along the 5¼ mile stretch from Leicester Square to St Paul’s Cathedral taking in some of Southwark’s sights to mark the Queen’s Silver Jubilee.
REF: LHLDVD35 (LSA1476) / 30 mins

**The Southwark News Story (2009)**
This film by Michael Holland is the story of the Southwark independent local newspaper which was started in 1987 including interviews with the key players in the newspaper’s history.
REF: LHLDVD105 / 59 mins

**The Story of the Bermondsey Artists’ Group (2006)**
A Michael Holland film about how a group of young graduate artists grew out of the old Surrey Docks to become an important part of the redeveloped dock area.
REF: LHLDVD121 / 39 mins

**The Sum of Us All: Bede House, Bermondsey and Rotherhithe 1938-2008 (2008)**
The Story of Bede house, a community organisation working in the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe which started as a Christian Settlement in 1938. Featuring one of the last interviews with Richard Carr-Gomm
REF: LHLDVD34 / 59 mins

**Tooley Street**
A film by Bermondsey local historians Michael Holland and Deborah Gosling which looks at the rich history of this street and includes many of the well known sites, including HMS Belfast and Tower Bridge as well as the origins of St Olaf House, Battlebridge Lane and English Grounds.
REF: LHLDVD103 / 18 mins

**The Tower (2012)**
A short film about the site in Peckham where the once famous Tower Cinema stood.
REF: LHLDVD122 / 4 mins 32 secs.

**Two Bob’s Worth of Trouble (1961)**
A short fictional film made by English teacher Simon Clements and his third year class at Walworth School during the academic year of 1961/2.
REF: LHLDVD131 / 20 mins

**Tower Bridge Road – Pt.2 (Urban Scenes Around Bermondsey) (c.1940s)**
The hustle and bustle of Tower Bridge Road market and Southwark Park Road. Featuring employees of Peek Freans, exiting the factory at lunch time and a newspaper seller outside the factory selling “The Star”.
REF: LHLDVD27 / 10 mins
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**Utopia London** (2010) –
Documentary exploring the recent architectural history of London, featuring Dawson’s Heights housing estate in East Dulwich.
REF: LHLDVD143 / 1 hour, 22 mins

**Visit to Southwark of Her Majesty the Queen (9th June 1977)**
Queen Elizabeth and Prince Phillip visit the Surrey Docks, where they are entertained by Southwark Orchestra and Choir, Southwark’s Sea Cadets, locals dressed costume and people that have made Southwark and England famous.
REF: LHLDVD79 / 9 mins
Ask staff for the leaflet which accompanies this film, ref: 394.43

**Ville de Sceaux (1955)**
A visit to Sceaux in the south of Paris by the South London Film Society to mark the twinning of the Camberwell Metropolitan Borough with Sceaux. The film compares and contrasts the two suburbs.
REF: LHLDVD 6 / 11 mins

**Walkways (2012)**
A series of urban performed walks produced with members of the Southwark Community.
REF: LHLDVD138 / 37 mins

**Walkways in the Sky (1985)**
The problems faced by Southwark residents particularly those on housing estates and those working in the council’s housing department.
REF: LHLDVD15 (LSA4387) / 25 mins
Also available: Treatment and Outline of Script, ask a member of staff for document ref: Audio/Visual file 1, section: ‘info on film content’

**Walworth Road (c.1950s)**
General views of people and traffic on Walworth, featuring Herbert Morrison House.
REF: LHLDVD16 (LSA4376) / 1 ½ mins / silent

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**Oral history recordings**

A selection of local oral history recordings are available for you to listen to in the reading room. Please ask for a disc and headphones at the desk.

**Disc 1**

**Track 18: Mary Boast interviews Dr Innes Pearse**
(b. 1889) 01:21:24
Dr Innes Pearse founded the Peckham Pioneer Health Centre in 1926 with her Husband, Dr George Scott Williamson. This recording was made at Dr Pearse’s home in Sussex in 1976. (summary available)

**Track 49: Mr Sam King (b.1926, Jamaica) 00:42:40**
Former Mayor of Southwark, Sam King recalls his experiences in Britain during World War II and his return to the UK in 1948 on the SS Empire Windrush. He discusses Jamaican history and culture and the British Empire. (summary available)

**Track 98: Mr Payne (b.1909, Peckham) and Miss Rita Mayer (b.1932, Peckham) 00:32:39**
Two local residents recall memories of Dulwich from the 1920s onwards. (summary available)

**Track 101: Mr Hebbes (b. 25.10.1935) 00:21:12**
Recollections of East Dulwich and Peckham in wartime and evacuation to Essex. (summary available)

**Track 102: Mrs Madeline Ridgeway Hawkyard (b.28.05.1920) 00:30:51**
Shops and school life in East Dulwich in the 1930s (summary available)

**Track 108: Mr Kail (b.13.07.1898) 00:16:46**
A description of Edwardian Dulwich and its agricultural history. Mr Kail also remembers the crowds forming in the village to watch Halley’s comet in 1910. (summary available)
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Track 109: Mr Hawkins 00:22:24
Memories of life in Lordship Lane

Track 112: Mrs Marjorie V. Payne (b.1911 Borough of Kingston) 00:47:22
Living at 408 Lordship Lane, Tilling buses, Dulwich parliament and speaker’s corner, the 1918 armistice, the Depression, and the Crystal Palace fire

Disc 2

Track 113: Mr Kail, Mrs Frewin, Mrs Hawkyard 00:12:22
Memories of the local shops in East Dulwich.

Track 114: Mr McFarlane, (b.1911 Scotland) 00:03:25
Recollections of political open air meetings in Camberwell Peckham and Dulwich. These included the Dulwich branch of the British Union of Fascists, including William Joyce (Lord Haw-Haw) and their opposition, the Young Communist League and the Independent Labour Party. (summary available)

Track 115: Mrs Joint (b.1925) 00:55:26
Memories of being a teenage ARP warden, attending James Allen’s Girls School, social activities in Dulwich and staying at Pond House during World War II. (summary available)

Track 116: Florence Kail (b.28.9.26) 00:30:14
Memories of Mary Magdalene School, Peckham, the Girls’ Training Corps and VE day celebrations in central London and Peckham. (summary available)

Track 117: Mrs Frewin 01:00:02
School in Bermondsey, housewifery, learning the 3R’s, shopping in Peckham Rye, Boat Race Day and local transport.

Track 118: Miss Margaret Belville (b.06.07.1927, London) 00:16:56
memories of May Day celebrations, the housewifery centre, early days of World War II and domestic servants in houses.

Track 119: Mr Robbins 00:11:25
Recollections of the local master butcher, North Cross Road and Graves's laundry.

Track 120: Mr Hebbes, (b.25.10.1935) 00:20:33
St John's School and Goodrich, an Anderson shelter in Zenoria Street, Trams, the pawnbrokers agent, the POW camp, North Cross Road, the bombing of the Co-op, cinema and dancing.

Track 121: Miss M Charsley (b.1916 East Dulwich, still at same address) 00:28:04
Lordship lane in the Blitz and the local shops

Track 122: Mrs Irene M. Martin (b.04.05.1937) 00:18:51
A description of the changes Dulwich has experienced since World War II, life during the Blitz and shops in the area. (summary available)
Other films sources

A selection of films from Southwark Local History Library and Archive’s film collection is available to view free of charge via London’s Screen Archive’s online catalogue at www.londonsscreenarchives.org.uk and via their page on YouTube.

BFI Mediatheque

Southwark-related films are available to view free of charge at the British Film Institute’s Mediatheque.

*BFI Southbank, Belvedere Road, London, SE1 8XT
Open Tuesday to Sunday 12:00 to 20:00 (Sat/Sun 12:30 to 20:00)
Call 020 7815 1346 to book a viewing session or just turn up.
www.bfi.org.uk (search ‘Mediatheque’)

The BFI Player is an on-demand service showing home grown and international films, many free to view. http://player.bfi.org.uk/.

British Pathé on YouTube has over 85,000 films of historical interest.
There are many old Southwark-related films which can be accessed at: www.youtube.com/user/britishpathe. Click on the magnifying glass which will provide a search box for you to type the film you are looking for.