



## **Project Learning Resources - Note for teachers**

StreetLife, funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, was a two-year community heritage project in 2015 to 2017 that involved many local people in many different ways. Volunteers carried out research, oral history interviews, photography, fieldwork and were involved in tour participation to record and present the history of selected towns in East Cambridgeshire and Fenland. The project focused on the towns of Chatteris, Ely, Littleport and Soham during the Second World War to encourage people to look more closely at their built environment to discover personal stories and to connect with people from the past.

We discovered how daily and family life continued as the community coped with rationing and the impact of the war as well as how local buildings have changed use over time or disappeared entirely. The project captured memories, stories and information that otherwise might have been lost as well as giving local people an understanding of their local heritage and what the community used to be like over 70 years ago.

The StreetLife tour visited many local schools and these learning resources are an important part of the project's legacy. The resources were developed so that some of its themes and stories could be used to support cross-curricular learning at Primary level. The resources were developed in consultation with local teachers and have been presented in a user friendly way to make it as easy as possible to use them with your students.

The resources are grouped into five topics: **Rationing; A Wartime Childhood; Potato Pete Project; Women at War; Doing Our Bit.**

The resources can be used to support learning in: History, English, Computing, Art & Design, Geography, Dancing, Drawing / Making, Music.

The StreetLife project was managed by the Soham-based Viva Arts and Community Group. If you would like any other information about the project, please email [vivayouth@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:vivayouth@hotmail.co.uk) or telephone **01353 722228**