The Moor Memories oral history project has involved local people in the Peak District moorlands in collecting the stories of their communities, and has made them accessible to future generations.

Whether you are a resident, walker, researcher, student or visitor, why not come and have a look at the archive and hear the voices of the people who have made the moors their home.

Moor Memories
Oral History Project
“A living, working moorland”
The Moor Memories Project has been collecting stories from people who have lived, worked, walked in and enjoyed the moorlands of the Peak District.

These include interviews with:

- Walkers who took part in the access campaigns of the 1930s
- Villagers who collected peat from the moors for their fires
- Farmers who battled the snow storms of the “winter of winters” in 1947
- Home Guard members who set decoy fires on the moors during the Blitz
- Gamekeepers who have worked on the moors for decades

and many more!

Altogether there are nearly 50 full length interviews giving a unique insight into the social history of a unique environment.

The archive is available for public viewing at:

Derbyshire Record Office in Matlock (reference D7534)
T: 01629 538347
E: record.office@derbyshire.gov.uk

Holmfirth Library and Information Centre
T: 01484 222430
E: holmfirth.lic@kirklees.gov.uk

As well as the interviews themselves there are information booklets, full transcriptions and summaries of all the interviews, as well as information about how to access walks, videos and images from the project. Please see our website at the address below.

www.moorsforthefuture.org.uk/moor-memories