

£312,000 HLF grant will allow us to further improve access to the collection by digitising resources so they can be accessed online, 24/7. The wealth of the collection will also be further enhanced through a wide range of community projects over the next three years which we hope lots of Knowsley residents will take the opportunity to get involved with and help expand our local history for future generations.”

Sara Hilton, Head of HLF, North West, said: “Preserving our historic archives and opening them up to as many people as possible is important as they provide such a valuable resource for anyone wanting to explore their past. Knowsley’s archive, which includes letters from [the former] MP for Huyton, Harold Wilson, is bursting with stories and pictures that shed light on what life was once like and how that has shaped local people and the local area as we know it today.”

Notes to editors

About Knowsley Archives

Knowsley Archives comprises a range of objects and materials that chart the development of the surrounding area since the 13th century including the arrival of the railways, local government, healthcare and the Second World War.

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