

Sharing your Story Tips for Audio Recording



Share your Dorset

Talking Tent encourages conversations about local landscapes and living through the changing seasons. It's a chance to learn from each other, rekindle our own life memories and share stories.

As part this project, you are invited to send us a short audio recording of either your own memories, thoughts and anecdotes or it could be an inter-generational conversation between two people. You can record on your phone or device and then simply upload it to our special Talking Tent webpage where it will be shared on our Memory Map.

At Talking Tent we're interested to hear about ALL your stories of people and place in Dorset, be it about a village, town, farm or perhaps a house, field or tree.... Anyone of any age can be part of a conversation or story, and we have some ideas and tips to help you.

Wondering where to even start? Here's a few questions that might perhaps trigger some ideas

What special places outdoors do you like to get away to?

What seasonal celebrations do you enjoy?

Do you have your own time-honoured family traditions?

What personal anecdotes and amusing yarns do you or someone in your family love to tell?

Do you have particular knowledge about local food, folklore or customs?

Have you learned about your local history of place and people?

Do old photos trigger memories for you on places and experiences?

Now you got some ideas to get you started ...

You can do your recording anywhere, although if your story relates to a specific place you may wish to go there and record onsite. Try to avoid places with lots of traffic or other mechanical noise interference – although natural background sounds like birdsong are great. It only needs to be a few minutes long but please make sure it's no more than 5 minutes.

Be as specific with details as you can – it's not boring to show us what working life was like or what it was like to be at a village fair. Don't forget to mention local names of places and objects.

It's a simple as that – you can then head over to our webpage and click Share your Story to upload your file. Make sure you read through all the details and terms and you have to hand specific details like location as we will need that when you upload your submissions. If you have any photos that link to your recording we would love to share them with your audio clip.

We can't wait to hear your story

