

The Stories Gallery

ONCE UPON A TIME

In 2019 when life was normal, Museums Sheffield asked us to help with a brand new project . Named The Stories Gallery it was based at Weston Park Museum. The theme to look at life in Sheffield in the 1950/60s



Some memorabilia from the exhibition

We were asked to contribute memories, anecdotes, etc as people living here at the time. Many from our organisation contributed and they were submitted,

and we looked forward to seeing our efforts on show at the opening in April 2020.

THEN COVID STRUCK. !!

Finally, after many months closed the Museum re - opened in October 2020 but minus many items made of paper, fabrics and materials. Still, it was an interesting display representing what was to become an iconic decade which flung me back nostalgically 50 years to my bedroom wallpaper, a radiogram, and summer afternoons paddling in Millhouses Park Lido.

I was assured that many of the stories we contributed are to be part of an exhibition booklet because they wasn't enough room to display all of the items in situ. This can be viewed when paper is deemed safe enough to be touched .

Meanwhile, if the country re - opens in early December , give Weston Park Museum a visit it's well worth it, and it's free.

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- This was a Sheffield U3A Shared Learning Project.

