

Local & family history: selected online resources

Family history (see also research resources on our House History information sheet)

Ancestry UK * UK parish baptism, marriage & burial records	https://www.ancestry.co.uk/search/categories/epr/#collections
Essex Archives Online * Parish registers	https://www.essexarchivesonline.co.uk/ParishRegisters.aspx
Free UK Genealogy Sources including births, marriages and deaths	https://www.freeukgenealogy.org.uk/
Waltham Forest Family History Society Searchable database for various sources	https://records.wffhs.org.uk/

Directories

University of Leicester Historical Directories of England & Wales	https://cdm16445.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/p16445coll4
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Maps

National Library of Scotland Ordnance Survey maps	https://maps.nls.uk/geo/records/#zoom=5&lat=56.0000&lon=-4.0000&layers=1250&b=1&point=0,0
Old county maps of England & Wales	https://cartophilia.org/

Newspapers

British Newspaper Archive * Walthamstow & Leyton Guardian 1876-1914	https://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk/titles/walthamstow-and-leyton-guardian
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Listed buildings

Historic England Listed buildings	https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/results/?searchType=NHLE+Simple&search=Waltham+Forest
LBWF † Locally listed buildings	https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2021-10/locally-listed%20buildings%20waltham%20forest.pdf

Medical Officer of Health reports

Wellcome Library Medical Officer of Health reports	https://wellcomelibrary.org/moh/
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Parks and gardens

London Gardens Trust Parks, gardens and churchyards	https://londogardenstrust.org/conservation/inventory/sites-in-borough/?Borough=Waltham%20Forest
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Public houses

Waltham Forest Oral History Workshop Behind the Bar	https://wforalhistory.org.uk/project/pubs/
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War memorials

Imperial War Museum War Memorials register	https://www.iwm.org.uk/memorials
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TNA research guides

The National Archives Guides for various research subjects	https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/help-with-your-research/research-guides/
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Photographs

Borough Photos *	https://boroughphotos.org/walthamforest/
Exploring East London	http://exploringeastlondon.co.uk/eel/
Geograph Britain and Ireland	https://www.geograph.org.uk/
Historic England Images	https://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/photos/
London Picture Archive	https://www.londonpicturearchive.org.uk
WE: The Ex-Warner Estate	https://www.exwarnerproject.co.uk/image-galleries/

Chingford history

British History Online <i>Victoria County History of Essex</i> vol 5	https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/essex/vol5/pp97-114
Chingford Historical Society Heritage Trail; YouTube talks	https://www.chingfordhistory.org.uk/heritage-trail https://www.youtube.com/@chingfordhistoricalsociety/videos
Vision of Britain Through Time	https://www.visionofbritain.org.uk/place/1066

Leyton & Leytonstone history

British History Online <i>Victoria County History of Essex</i> vol 6	https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/essex/vol6
Leyton & Leytonstone Historical Society Articles and free downloads	http://www.leytonhistorysociety.org.uk/articles.html http://www.leytonhistorysociety.org.uk/history_walk_booklets.html http://www.leytonhistorysociety.org.uk/great_houses.html http://www.leytonhistorysociety.org.uk/downloads.html
Vision of Britain Through Time	https://www.visionofbritain.org.uk/place/21312

Walthamstow history

British History Online <i>Victoria County History of Essex</i> vol 6	https://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/essex/vol6
University of Leicester Shillinglaw's <i>History of Walthamstow</i> 1861	https://cdm16445.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/p16445coll4/id/312603/rec/8
University of Toronto Library Walthamstow Monographs	https://archive.org/search.php?query=creator%3A%22Walthamstow+Antiquarian+Society.+Monograph%22
Vision of Britain Through Time	https://www.visionofbritain.org.uk/place/722
Walthamstow Memories History articles	http://www.walthamstowmemories.net/html/histarticles.html

Notes

- * Fees apply for full access. Ancestry UK can be viewed for free **onsite only** at Waltham Forest Libraries via this link: <https://libraries.walthamforest.gov.uk/digital-content/digital-resources-/family-history-biography/ancestry>
- † London Borough of Waltham Forest website
- External website links are given for information purposes only

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Tel: 020 8496 4391 <https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/content/waltham-forest-archives-and-local-studies-library>