

Archive Service Vision



Inspiring ever more people to discover, imagine and illuminate Cambridgeshire's past.

Archives are profoundly important for communities, families and individuals. They are Cambridgeshire's collective memory, providing authoritative evidence to help people solve problems and discover the truth, and they bring our shared past alive as a frame of reference for the County's present and future.

Cambridgeshire's archives encourage pride in individual and community identities, helping to connect people with their individual and collective past and with the histories of where they live and work.

Archives capture the imaginations of young people, inspiring them to take an interest in their surroundings. For adult learners, carrying out research in archives satisfies our natural thirst for knowledge, and for many it helps build our skills and confidence. The wealth of information contained within archives contributes towards better-informed decision-making, and supports specialist research and expertise in fields such as medicine, social care and the environment.

We want all of Cambridgeshire's citizens to be inspired to explore the records of our county, and to contribute information in turn to future generations by sharing with us the records they create today.

We want to provide access to our unique collections in a way that suits modern lifestyles and meets the needs of our communities, remaining relevant and continually reaching wider audiences.