

# Exploring the History of the Outer West

## A Programme of Talks and Films

*For Local History Month this year we have specially recorded four talks and a film about aspects of the history of Newcastle's Outer West.*

*These will be available to view on our website – <https://stjamesheritage.com> – anytime from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May.*

### **Canary Island**

A short film made by John Taberham of St James' Heritage & Environment Group about the munitions factory at Lemington Point where hundreds of women worked in dangerous conditions during the First World War.

### **To Lemington by Rail**

A talk by Les Turnbull exploring the rich railway heritage of the Lemington area and in particular the 18<sup>th</sup> century railway from Callerton, Walbottle and Throckley. Les is a volunteer at the Mining Institute and is recognised as an authority on the history of the Northumberland and Durham Coalfield.

### **A Passage of Tyne**

This talk by Andy Curtis of Heddon on the Wall Local History Society takes you on a stroll up-river from Newburn looking at shipwrecks, ceremonies at the Tide Stone and the Ryton ferry boat accident of 1877.

### **The Battle of Newburn: which side would you be on?**

Parliament or king - which side would you be on? Local historian Rosie Serdiville asks which side local people might have taken during the English Civil Wars.

### **The Battle of Newburn: a view from the winning side**

John Sadler takes on the role of Alexander Leslie, Earl of Leven, to tell us why the Scots were sure they could win Battle of Newburn in 1640.

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