Heritage Volunteers Report – AGM – 2025

Last year's projects have continued with TAS Nottingham and TAS Trent Valley members working together with volunteers from the host organisations.

Book Conservation:

Bromley House Library – Caroline Bendix has run her final training day for volunteers before retiring and handing over to Giorgia Genco. Four groups rotate on a four-weekly cycle. Trent Bridge Library – Work in the library is complete. A small group is continuing to work on loose archive papers.

Thrumpton Hall Library – The volunteers meet fortnightly under the leadership of Tessa Day, the TAS Trent Valley HV Rep.

Textiles:

Wollaton Hall – The volunteers have now completed a project creating garments for mannequins in the Tudor kitchens. A notice has been installed acknowledging the work of our volunteers.

New projects

Book Conservation:

National Civil War Centre, Newark – 16 volunteers are split across two teams, meeting fortnightly. This project also includes volunteers from TAS Grantham and TAS Gainsborough.

Textiles:

Mansfield Museum – this project is unusual in that it has attracted non-TAS members who have seen our volunteering opportunities advertised on the TASN website. Both ladies are young – one is still at school – and from ethnically-diverse backgrounds. This project is still open to volunteers interested in joining a simple but very interesting textiles project.

I have enjoyed my time as HV Rep for TASN, but other commitments now mean that I have to stand down. I would recommend the role to anyone interested in our local heritage.

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