



UGANDAN ASIANS AT STRADISHALL IN 1972

In September 1972, 1,500 Ugandan Asians arrived at a resettlement centre at Stradishall near Wickham-brook, after they had been expelled by Idi Amin. Their terrible experience was made better by the huge number of local volunteers who helped them with accommodation, clothes, children's toys and in many other ways. It was a real Suffolk welcome.

We are marking the 50th anniversary next year with an oral history project. We would like to interview those who volunteered at the time, and people who were accommodated at Stradishall and still live in Suffolk. The interviews will be posted on a new website being developed by the 'British Ugandan Asians at 50' programme. We are also looking for period photographs, diary entries, letters – anything relating to the Ugandan Asian refugees in our county. There will be an exhibition of all these materials in September 2022. So:

DID YOU VOLUNTEER AT STRADISHALL, EITHER ON BEHALF OF A CHARITY OR AS A PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL?

WERE YOU OR YOUR PARENTS ACCOMMODATED AT THE CAMP?

DO YOU HAVE ANY ITEMS OR PHOTOGRAPHS THAT YOU COULD LEND US FOR DISPLAY?

We would love to hear your stories! Please contact us by email: ruthanjohn@btinternet.com