

### **Tony - Stories of welcome and exclusion**

We came up for a few days [before we moved to Leicester]. I think it was about four days. When we were looking at schools and everything, my cousins invited round some of the other people of our age, some of whom I am still friendly with. So we knew people before we actually moved. And immediately when we moved, we were invited to things. Word got round that we moved and one Sabbath afternoon the treasurer was round asking us to sign up as members. And very shortly after that there was a Jewish choir formed. We had only been in Leicester for a few months but we both like singing so we both joined that. And one of the other tenors was the president of the synagogue and he persuaded me to stand for the management committee within the first year. So I was very involved.