

## New Directions in Local History since Hoskins

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A new collection of essays which looks at research into and the writing of local history in the twenty-first century has been published. *New Directions in Local History since Hoskins* (University of Hertfordshire Press, 2011) looks at how historians use different sources and apply different techniques and approaches to illuminate the study of localities. One of the contributions: 'Locality and diversity; minority ethnic communities in the writing of Birmingham's local history', is by Malcolm Dick, Director of the Centre for West Midlands History. There is a stimulating first essay: 'Introduction: local history in the twenty-first century', by the editors, Christopher Dyer, Andrew Hopper, Evelyn Lord and Nigel Tringham.

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