

Research Study: Speech & Hearing of Older Adults in the North East.

Are you interested in the language and accents of the North-East of England? If you are aged 65+ and were raised in Tyneside, Wearside, County Durham or Northumberland, you are invited to take part in a PhD research project exploring the speech, accents and hearing of older people in the region.

This project aims to establish how our speech changed across our lifespan to help us reconstruct how North-East England may have sounded in the past.

Participants will be invited to the Newcastle University Linguistics Laboratory for a half day visit, involving a short audio-recorded interview about your experiences as an older adult in the North-East and completing a range of tasks designed to identify diversity in ageing.

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided! If you are interested, you can contact the researcher (Scarlett L Hart) via email at S.L.Hart2@newcastle.ac.uk for further details.

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