

STORY MAP SCRIPT

Today we were Documents Detectives! This is what we found out...

In 1578 Queen Elizabeth I wanted to visit Norwich.
She sent a man called Thomas Churchyard to arrange her visit.

In Norwich, Thomas was met by the Mayor who said:

“Welcome Thomas Churchyard,
please help us prepare for a royal pageant.”

Thomas said:

“First your citizens will need to clean, repair
and paint the city.”

“Then we will create some poetry, music
and drama.”

Finally Thomas promised to write a document so everyone would remember how Norwich put on a pageant for Queen Elizabeth I in 1578

Thomas' document was kept at The Guildhall in Norwich.
200 years later the document was very old and fragile. Oh no!
So the document was copied and stored in a special room in Norwich Castle.

100 years later, OH NO, the room in Norwich Castle was FULL.

A person called an Archivist put all the documents into an even larger room in Norwich Central Library.
OH NO, disaster struck!
Norwich Central Library caught fire.

Luckily many documents survived the fire.
And were sent to Norwich Records Office, which is a very safe building indeed.

Hooray!