

Project: **'Memories of Seven Lochs' Communities: A people's history'.**

Respondent: Kenzie McLachlan

Year of Birth: 2007

Age:

Connection to project: Local knowledge

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Interviewer: Dr Sue Morrison

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Location of Interview: The Pantry, Ruchazie





Recording Equipment: Zoom H4n (internal mics)



Time (from: mins/secs)	Description	Transcribed Extract (from- to: mins/secs)
00.37	<i>Where you born?</i>	
	The Royal Infirmary	00.42
00.43	<i>Where did your family live?</i>	
	In Ruchazie, I don't know the name of the street. I've always lived in Ruchazie. I stayed in the top part for two or three years and then moved to the middle of the area.	00.44-01.12
01.13	<i>Can you describe your house for me?</i>	
	It was three bedroomed, one big bedroom and two small ones, with a living room, bathroom and kitchen. It was the third floor.	01.23-01.45
01.46	<i>Can you tell me about your neighbours?</i>	
	I don't really talk to them very often but the one below me just moved away not that long ago, my Mum talked to her.	01.48-01.56
02.00	<i>Is there any characters that are a bit quirky?</i>	
	There's somebody from the Cranhill way I think, that was in everybody's back gardens and things like that and everybody was talking about them.	02.07-02.20
02.22	<i>Is it a good place to live?</i>	
	Aye, it's alright.	02.24
02.31	<i>Do you have any brothers or sisters?</i>	
	I have a wee sister, a big sister and a big brother. I am the third child. My older brother he doesn't stay with me but my two sisters do. My big sister, she works, me wee sister, she's still at school.	02.32-02.52
02.58	<i>What do your parents do?</i>	

	<p>My Mum, I'm not sure, she has a sickness bug all the time, it's like every two weeks she's not well.</p> <p>My Dad he works in construction, but I don't stay with my Dad. I see my Dad a lot. He always comes and takes me out. We used to go to the gym when I stayed at his house in Edinburgh, but he works away sometimes as well, but when he comes back and staying in his house, I stay with him for a while.</p>	03.00-03.42
03.52	<i>What school did you go to?</i>	
	St Rosalina	03.53
04.03	<i>What do you remember of your first school?</i>	
	It was good. There were two schools, Avenue End School and St Rosalina, but St Rosalina was bigger and had lots of people and the football pitch was better. I can sort of remember my Teachers.	04.04-04.28
04.29	<i>What was your favourite subjects at school?</i>	
	P.E. probably or maths. I like maths.	04.32
04.49	<i>What age were you when you left primary school?</i>	
	It was primary 7, so I was 11.	04.51
04.59	<i>What secondary school did you go to?</i>	
	Avenue End School	05.04
05.11	<i>What was your first day at secondary school like?</i>	
	As soon as I walked in people didn't believe that I was going to move to the school and when I walked in they were all just shocked. The Teacher had made me a desk and everything up. So some of the people were surprised that I moved there.	05.12-05.40
05.54	<i>What subjects did you take at school?</i>	
	Maths, I can remember maths. I like numbers. My Dad always told me to take maths and listen and all that, so I just always liked it.	06.00-06.25
06.28	<i>Do you like solving puzzles?</i>	
	Yes. I went to do work experience in construction and that's what it was like, puzzles.	06.30-06.41
06.42	<i>Is construction something you would like to do?</i>	
	Yes, I like joinery. When my Dad was working away I went up for a week. I didn't really do anything I was just watching them. They were building a whiskey distillery in Banff or Macduff, far up in Scotland, in the middle of nowhere. It was good, but the food wasn't good, it wasn't the same as here.	06.58-07.44
08.06	<i>Are you still at secondary school?</i>	
	No I was at college for a while but I've booked my CSCS test so I can go work with my Dad on a construction site as an Apprentice.	08.07-08.16
08.32	<i>When you were little what kind of games did you play?</i>	
	We'd go out on bikes or scooters or play football. There's a pitch beside the shop and we played football there. There was a basketball pitch there but we didn't like that because we played football all the time.	08.39-09.03
09.05	<i>Is this a good place to grow up?</i>	

	Aye, but there isn't much to do except a wee park, but you grow out of that. As we got older we would go to the school pitches and that.	09.08-09.25
09.30	<i>Did you go to any school dances or anything?</i>	
	I went to the Prom.	09.31
09.39	<i>Did you ever go to Hogganfield Loch?</i>	
	Aye, we would walk round that or we'd take bike rides round that or round the paths in Ruchazie.	09.40-09.54
09.58	<i>Was this just in the summer?</i>	
	It was like if we were bored we'd go play football or on bikes or scooters. If we were indoors we would play x-boxes and play-stations, but we were more outside.	10.00-10.36
10.55	<i>What do you know about the local community?</i>	
	Everybody's like, if you see somebody you know, you can just talk to them. If I was in trouble, I could stop anybody and ask for help.	11.09-35
11.45	<i>What do you think of the Pantry?</i>	
	I don't really come into it, but my Mum comes into it and she always talks about it.	11.46-11.52
12.01	<i>Do you have a lot of family?</i>	
	I've got a lot of wee cousins. Three wee cousins and two wee nieces. They're all like the same age, it's crazy. They're all lassies. I wish one was a boy but no all lassies. They gang up on me.	12.02-12.28
12.45	<i>What would you like to see happen in Ruchazie?</i>	
	Probably more stuff to do for younger people like myself. They've got bus cards and they just go on bus rides when they could be doing other things, like football. The pitch that was down there, that was taken away because it wasn't the best and you'd get hurt, like cut yourself or something.	12.51-13.17
13.27	<i>Is there any indoor areas for young people?</i>	
	There's Soccer World but nobody really goes into it, its tiny. You have to pay to get in. They've put the price up and it's maybe £5 for each person to play football, so if there's three people going that's £15.	13.28-13.59
14.02	<i>If you had a building that could be used would you use it?</i>	
	There's the Community Centre, but there's nothing in there. I think there was a boxing in there, but it's not opened any more. There was an indoor football there, but that wasn't open for ages. There was the Church in Ruchazie as well and Tina, she ran clubs in there, that was quite good. They went on for ages. They would have clubs and people would come in and do all kinds of different stuff with us. They did football, fun days and all that. That was quite good. They were really for the younger ones. The football they were for us, but now there's nothing.	14.09-15.50
16.10	<i>Do you think people your age will be staying in Ruchazie?</i>	
	I'm not sure. There are a few people who have moved away. I don't know if I'll move away. I like it, but there's not much to do.	16.11-16.42
16.50	<i>What are the employment opportunities in the area?</i>	

	The shops but I don't think I'd get a job there.	16.52
17.07	<i>Can you tell me how you spend Christmas?</i>	
	I think I would get a different bike or scooter every year and my pals would get bikes or scooters so we'd go out on them and then back for dinner. I don't like Christmas dinners that much, especially Yorkshire puddings.	17.18-18.00
18.12	<i>What did you do for Easter?</i>	
	The Church at the bottom part of Ruchazie, they did like an Easter Egg Hunt but that was for the younger ones. I didn't go to it, but my younger sister did. I liked watching it, it was funny all these people running about trying to find Easter eggs in the grass.	18.13-18.36
18.49	<i>What are your favourite memories of growing up in Ruchazie?</i>	
	Probably going on bike rides or playing football.	18.57
	Thank you Kenzie, I wish you the best of luck with your career path. Thank you very much Kenzie.	
   		
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