**Adapting the enquiry to include another British town**

The ‘Legacies of British Slave-ownership’ database, created and maintained by UCL, sheds a huge amount of light on how pervasive slavery was in British society at the time at which the compensation payments were made to slave-owners in the 1830s. A search of the database at [www.ucl.ac.uk/lbs](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/lbs) will reveal that no town in the UK remained unaffected by the practice of slavery. History teachers from around the country have started to put some of these strands together as part of the ‘meanwhile, nearby…’ project curated by Will Bailey-Watson: [https://meanwhileelsewhereinhistory.wordpress.com/legacies-of-slave-ownership](https://meanwhileelsewhereinhistory.wordpress.com/legacies-of-slave-ownership/)

For an insight into the lives of the relatively small but still significant number of enslaved people of African descent living in British towns and cities, the Runaway Slaves in Britain database, run by the University of Glasgow, is invaluable: [www.runaways.gla.ac.uk](http://www.runaways.gla.ac.uk). As well as a database of advertisements from local newspapers, searchable by location, which open a window into thousands of individual stories, there are excellent articles by historians on this often overlooked aspect of the transatlantic slave trade.