



Barwick-in-Elmet and Scholes Parish Council Newsletter

Spring / Summer 2019

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2018 / 2019

By Parish Council Chairman - Claire Hassell



This has been an exceptionally busy year for the Parish Council but finished with The Tour de Yorkshire holding a speed trial in Scholes for the third time. A superb response from the residents of Scholes, the village decorated in blue and yellow and looking fantastic and now famous as used by the BBC to broadcast the Morning Weather News. Congratulations to everyone involved, a magnificent effort.

Planning has been exhaustive this year with examinations in public (EIP) into the **Site Allocations (SAP)** and the **Core Strategy Selective Review**, these Leeds documents indicate the land to be released for development and the number of homes to be built.

The PAS Sites in Scholes are always at risk and Barratt/Wilson submitted an application to build 300 homes. SOS widely advertised objections and many residents wrote to Leeds. The Parish Council had a team led by Councillor Phil Maude to appear at the hearing and join with Leeds to successfully defeat the application highlighting concerns about the junction of Rakehill Road and Station Road.

Thanks to all who contributed information and time to the objections, particularly residents Jim Buckley and George Hall who both gave evidence at the hearing. Regrettably the developers will be back but if we all work together we can continue to defeat them.

The proposed development at Parlington contained in the SAP was also rejected by the Inspector and many residents and Councillors from the Barwick Ward worked hard to achieve this. They supported the Save Parlington Action Group at the hearing providing information and speaking on the effect such a large development would have on our Parish.

"Cllr's Austin, Beaumont, Bedford and Hassell at the SAP EIP in July 2018"



Regular successes in the villages are The Scholes Gala, great time had by all; the work of Barwick in Boom – gold in the Yorkshire Contest and Scholes in Bloom - Silver in the Britain in Bloom Contest. Congratulations to them both and if you have a couple of spare hours help would be welcome Monday morning in Scholes and Wednesday morning in Barwick. Ask the Clerk for contact details.

2018 saw the 100 year anniversary of the end of World War 1 and the Parish Council in conjunction with the Royal British Legion put on an event on Hall Tower Field joining Cities, Towns and Villages all over the country and Deputy Lord Lieutenant Stan Harding lit the beacon. The Legion performed a play depicting the War, there was a live band and a BBQ by the Scouts, followed by fireworks. All Saints Church projected a montage of War Time photographs on the walls of the Church. There was a huge attendance and much appreciation for a memorable evening.



Changes to the Parish Council

Matt Baker (*pictured left*) resigned before the election due to pressure at work, he had been a valuable councillor for 8 years and we will miss his contribution.

Craig Barker, one of our newest and most enthusiastic Councillors, and despite him being the editor of the newsletter, was unsuccessful in the election. His enthusiasm will also be

missed and we thank both of them for their contributions to the Parish and wish them well.

No changes to the Councillors representing Barwick Ward but we have two new Councillors in Scholes Ward, Graham Slater and John Moreland, who strongly advertised that the Parish Council needs some different faces and new blood. We look forward to hearing their ideas. Finally thanks go to all the Councillors and the Clerk for their commitment, attending many meetings and supporting many organisations and events. No doubt this next year will also be busy and the Parish Council will continue to support and work for the **benefit of the whole Parish!**

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Tour De Yorkshire 2019 - Scholes

Huge thanks to all Scholes Residents who 'pedalled' together to decorate the full length of the village in Blue, Yellow and White in early May for the Arrival of the 2019 Tour de Yorkshire. It was a massive Team effort from everyone involved, decorating the streets, and making bunting and various other items of cycling themed street art.



A special mention to **Karen Nash** who was relentless in her rallying of the community to win the **best dressed village** award. We will find out later this year whether the village was successful in the competition.



Friends of Chippy's Quarry

On April 23rd Friends of Chippy's Quarry in Partnership with Leeds Parks and Countryside held a wildflower planting event. 1000 wildflower plugs were kindly gifted to us by Buglife to encourage bees and other pollinators. There was an overwhelming turnout of volunteers advised by Catherine from Buglife, Jodie our Conservation Officer and Louise our Ranger.



St Gregory's brownies earned their Community Helper Badge by planting, making pine cone bird feeders, litter picking and making bird boxes, helped by enthusiastic members of the public. It was wonderful to see so many people working together for biodiversity.

CUB SCOUT LEADERS WANTED — BARWICK SCOUT GROUP



Cub Section (age 8-10.5 yrs old). Would you like the chance to canoe, climb and make bird boxes while improving your CV? As a Section Leader in the Barwick-in-Elmet Scout Group you will do all of this and more, using your current skills and learning new ones.

We now need a team of fun, committed individuals to support young people, helping run games and activities as part of weekly meetings. As part of a small team, you will be plan and deliver a safe and exciting programme for young people, helping them achieve badges and awards.

Enthusiasm, and empathy with young people and a sense of humour are a must. We'll support you all the way and ensure you get the training and support you need.



Please Contact Group Scout Leader - Cathryn Atkinson cathryn_5@hotmail.com for more details

SCHOLES PEACE FLAME PARTY—12th July 2019

Scholes World Peace Flame Working Group are continuing with developments in the Peace Garden. If you want to help, please contact Stella Walsh: stellawalshparishcouncil@gmail.com



A 'Songs of Praise' service is being organised in June. Older children at Scholes Primary School will be involved in a Peace Party on Friday 12th July in school. The Peace Party commemorates the party that was held in Scholes and around the country on 19th July 1919 as part of the World War One peace celebrations.

The Peace Flame is for everybody in the Parish so take a minute to reflect when you're passing.

ELECTION RESULTS— WELCOME TO OUR NEW COUNCILLORS AND ALL THOSE RETURNED

In May 13 residents stood for election in the 2019 Parish Council Elections.

All incumbent councillors stood for re-elections in Barwick and were returned unopposed.

In Scholes there were 7 residents nominated including 5 existing councillors from the Scholes Ward.

Congratulations to all the elected councillors in both wards.

This electoral area : Barwick In Elmet and Scholes Parish Council - Scholes Ward

Electorate : 1959

Turnout : %

Spoilt papers : 4

Surname	Forename	Votes	Elected	Description
Barker	Craig Russell	232		-
Dales	Karen Lesley	463	ELECTED	-
Maude	Phil	402	ELECTED	-
Moreland	John Charles	301	ELECTED	-
Remmer	Paul	398	ELECTED	-
Slater	Graham	456	ELECTED	-
Walsh	Stella Maria	441	ELECTED	-

Scholes Lodge Farm...

Scholes Lodge Farm is maintained and serviced through a network of volunteers who keep the area a local nature retreat for wildlife. If you could help for just a few hours here and there to plant bulbs, wild flower seeds etc in the field it would be a great help to the group.

For more information, please contact the Clerk to the council who will forward your information to the SLF co-ordinators.



SCHOLES GALA DAY- PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Scholes Village Gala parking restrictions On 8th June 2019 Scholes will be holding their annual Village Gala at St Philips church on Main Street. Please be aware that there will be parking restrictions on the day to ease the flow of traffic through the village on the Church side of a section of Main Street between the library and Sirrel's garage between the hours of 8am and 5pm. It is highly recommended that you walk to the Gala if possible, but however you choose to travel, please come along and support the event... run by volunteers providing entertainment and fun for all the family.



Appealing to all dog owners...

Whilst we love to provide the Parish with all the good news, sometimes we also have to deliver messages less well received. The Churchyard in Barwick is open to the public, and many dog owners use the tranquillity and safety of this area to walk their dogs. Unfortunately, this has also caused huge problems with dog poo being left behind... the latest episode involving a resident kneeling in some in the area near the tall flower bed. She wasn't best pleased and had to throw her jeans away!



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Jack Heaps Field, Barwick in Elmet—NO DOGS

There has recently been some confusion with regards to the use of Jack Heaps Field for dog walkers due to some incorrect signage which has now been rectified. Jack Heaps Field is a family play area, and is used for kicking footballs around, lounging on sunny days etc. and as such is NOT suitable for dogs to run around weeing and pooing. This is also a very simple message: PLEASE do not use Jack Heaps Field for dog exercising, there are plenty of other places within the village to do so.

NEW LOCATION FOR SCHOLES' DEFIBRILLATOR



Please note that the defibrillator which used to be situated next to the cash machine at Satnam's convenience store, has now MOVED and has been kindly relocated to Osman House Brain Rehab Centre (48 Station Road).

Thanks go to the Staff & management team at Osman House for hosting the Defib on behalf of the village.

St Philip's Launch the Community Café

The Community Café is located in St Philip's Church building on Main Street in Scholes, and serves teas, great coffees, irresistible cakes, toasted teacakes & crumpets!

The Café is run by volunteers who aim to provide a safe, warm and welcoming space for the local and wider community. It's a great place for you to meet with friends and family. Babies and children are very welcome with toys, books and a nappy changing area.



Opening times: Tuesdays: 2-5pm, Fridays: 9-12 noon

The last Saturday in each month: 10 - 12 noon



St Philip's also have a **"Dad's Club"**... on the third Saturday of each-month between 9.30am - 11am, for Dads and children aged 0-11. Dads, uncles, grandads etc. are encouraged to come along for a full English breakfast or a bacon butty and take some time out with the kids...

Men's talk only!

Crime Reduction Working Party

The Parish Council has become concerned at the rising level of crime in the villages in recent times and has decided to set up a Crime Reduction Working Party that will meet on a monthly basis to look at ways that crime can be reduced in the villages. The Working Party will look at the circumstances that contribute to crime and anti-social behaviour, and the ways in which crime can be reduced by actions of the community and the police in particular.

We will be looking to develop techniques and methods for the interchange of information and ideas relating to crime reduction between police, residents and the Parish Council. The Working Party will report regularly to the Parish Council with recommendations for crime reduction programmes and initiatives to secure an overall reduction of crime in our area. The Working Party will be inviting guests to speak to it about various topics so it can gain an understanding of the problems and the various solutions which may be available for consideration. If a key topic arises where we feel residents need to be informed of any particular initiatives, we will arrange a public meeting. We will always keep residents informed via the PC newsletter, web site and media pages.

If any residents have any topics they think the Working Party should consider, or any ideas of schemes to help reduce crime in the villages, please contact the **Working Party Chair Matthew Clover at matthewcloverpc@gmail.com** Matthew will look at all ideas that are put forward and you may be invited to a meeting to explain your ideas in more detail.

Sports Clubs across the Parish...

Summer is approaching, and the days are soon going to be longer and warmer. Wouldn't it be great to see a list of all the Sports Clubs that you and your family can take advantage of over the Summer months? Well look no further... here is a list of all the Sports clubs across the Parish... if you want to get a little fitter, just fancy a change, or are particularly interested in any of these sports clubs, please contact the Clerk to the Council who will give you the contact details for the club(s) that you're interested in.

Barwick in Elmet

- Barwick in Elmet Cricket Club, playing and social membership
- Football: Mount St Mary are the resident football team (Scholes & Barwick juniors also play here)
- Barwick Bowls Club
- Snooker and Table tennis are played at Barwick Miners Welfare.
- Barwick Tennis Club. **(Free Membership)**

Scholes

- Scholes Cricket Club, playing and social membership
- Scholes Bowling Club
- Scholes Sports Club:
- Scholes Tennis Club
- Scholes and Barwick Junior Football Club
- Scholes Football Club
- Scholes Archery Club (Held at St. Philips)



Scholes Crown Green Bowling Club

Are welcoming new members... if you have some free time and looking for something new, why not come and join us?

From April, every week there is usually a match on a Tuesday night, Wed afternoon, alternate Wed

evenings and Thurs evenings. Come along & enjoy a cuppa... see if you fancy a game?



CRIME PREVENTION TIPS - SIMPLE IDEAS TO REDUCE CRIME

The most commonly reported crimes in the Parish are crimes involving either theft of or from vehicles many of which are left unlocked at night.

- **LOCK YOUR DOORS EVEN WHEN YOU ARE AT HOME OR IN THE GARDEN AS DISTRACTION AND SNEEK IN BURGLARIES ARE ON THE RISE**
- **FIT AN ALARM AND/OR CCTV**
- **BE A GOOD NEIGHBOUR REPORT CRIMES OR SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOUR**
- **LOCK YOUR VEHICLE**
- **HIDE YOUR CAR KEYS AWAY**
- **DON'T LEAVE VALUEABLES IN YOUR VEHICLES**



If you have CCTV—join the Parish CCTV Scheme email PCSO Geoff Nottingham for more details:

geoffrey.nottingham@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk



Contact details & important dates:

Dates of upcoming Parish Council meetings:

Open Forum / Parish Council Meeting Venue

- Mon 3rd June 7.00pm 7.30pm Scholes Methodist Hall
- Mon 1st July 7.00pm 7.30pm Barwick Methodist Schoolroom

The Planning Committee: Meets separately from the Parish Council to consider planning applications submitted to Leeds City Council. Details of these meetings are on the website & village notice boards.

Parish Council Accounts: Both community grants information and full Parish Council accounts are available to view online, and copies are also available by request from the Clerk to the council.

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Call or email the clerk, Come to our Surgery Attend our open forum ... Or just stop us in the street, we can't affect everything, but we will do our best to help.



NEW LOCATION FOR PARISH COUNCIL SURGERIES

From June the surgeries will be Located at **St. Philips Community Café Scholes** on the last Saturday of every month from 11-12am.

Please come & talk to us, raise any issues or concerns.