# BARWICK in ELMET SCHOLES PARISH COUNCIL

### Newsletter October 2013





# "WE WILL REMEMBER THEM" REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY Sunday 10 November

The arrangements for our Remembrance Services are as follows 09.30 Church Service at St.Philip's Church, Scholes 10.15 Act of Remembrance at Scholes War Memorial 10.55 Parade from Jack Heaps Field, Barwick to War Memorial 11.00 Act of Remembrance at Barwick in Elmet War Memorial 11.15 Church Service at All Saints, Barwick in Elmet







WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

The Barwick & Scholes branch of the Royal British Legion is now very active within the Parish and members would be very welcome by contacting the Secretary Matt Baker - matt@mattandjillian.com Poppy collectors are also required during the weeks leading up to Remembrance Day

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#### **NEXT COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Monday 4 November Scholes Methodist Hall Open Forum at 7 pm

#### **Monday 2 December**

Barwick Methodist Schoolroom
Open Forum at **7 pm** 

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#### **PARISH NEWS**

FLU JABS are now available for residents of both villages and appointments should be made as soon as possible. Letters will not be sent. Some patients will be eligible for the new SHINGLES jab and letters will be sent. Barwick surgery 281 4950 Garforth surgery 287 7321 Aberford surgery 281 4967 Scholes surgery 264 5414

RAKEHILL ROAD will have a new barrier installed east of the Cricket Club at Scholes in order to restrict vehicular access. Bollards will also be erected at the Barwick end of the road near to Rakehill Farm.

The **WAR MEMORIALS** in both Barwick and Scholes have now been cleaned in readiness for the **Remembrance Sunday** services on 10 November.

Interviews for the new **PARISH CLERK** are currently being held and it is hoped a new appointment will be made for the new year.

The usual **CHRISTMAS LIGHTS** will again be switched on in both villages on Friday 29 November—the expenditure of £1,710 having been approved by Parish Council.

scholes lodge farm and its use has again been discussed by the Parish Council. There has been a suggestion for a seat to be placed near to the public footpath and a further request for horses to be grazed. Residents who wish to contribute to the debate should attend the January Parish Council meeting at Scholes Methodist Hall.

Sponsorship of the **COMMUNITY POLICE SUPPORT VEHICLE** has been continued by the Parish Council. It has been of particular help in our rural farming area.

**S106 & CIL monies :** Following misleading statements made by SOS members to residents the Parish Council has resolved to re-affirm that the existing arrangements which had operated in respect of The Sycamores (Barwick) and Station Gardens (Scholes) would continue to operate whereby any receipts from developers under s106 or CIL would be expended in the village from which it was generated. An amount of £13,724 has already been drawn down and expended on the gateway & entrance on Leeds Road and archaeological surveys at Scholes Lodge Farm. There is still a balance held by Leeds City Council in respect of the Station Road development and this is under the firm control of Leeds City Council and cannot be accessed without proper authority and prior approval of any future expenditure.

A **PETITION** signed by the requisite number of Scholes residents was duly lodged with Leeds City Council calling for a **COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW** applying for de-grouping of Scholes and Barwick in Elmet wards in order that the Scholes ward could be confirmed as an independent Parish in its own right. The City Council General Purposes Committee will be dealing with the request and a decision announced and conveyed to all residents in due course.

## HIGH SPEED TWO: HAVE YOUR SAY—consultation on the route from the West Midlands to Manchester, LEEDS and beyond.

A series of information events near to the proposed Phase Two route will enable residents to review the consultation information and speak directly with HS2 Ltd staff. Even if you attend an event (listed below) you will need to submit your response to the proposals via the formal channels which will ensure the issues you raise are considered as the proposals for phase 2 are developed. The Events below may be subject to change so please Call 020 7944 4908 to check before attending

Scarthingwell Golf Club, Scarthingwell Lane, Tadcaster, LS24 9PF Wed 30 Oct: 12 noon—8 pm

Garforth Academy, Lidgett Lane, Garforth, Leeds, LS25 1LJ Thurs 31 Oct: 12 noon—8 pm

Blackburn Hall, Commercial Street, Rothwell, West Yorks LS26 0AW Fri 1 Nov: 12 noon—8 pm

Barnsley Town Hall, Church Street, Barnsley, S70 2TA

Sat 2 Nov: 10 am—5 pm

English Institute of Sport Sheffield, Coleridge Road, Sheffield S9 5DA Fri 8 Nov: 12 noon—8 pm **and** Sat 9 Nov: 10 am—5 pm

Crofton Community Centre, Wakefield, WF4 1LB

Wed 13 Nov: 12 noon-8 pm

To find out more of the proposals for **HIGH SPEED RAIL** and how to respond visit: **www.hs2.org.uk** or call 020 7944 4908 Consultation closes on Friday 31 January 2014

#### **GOLD for Barwick & Scholes In Bloom Groups**

There was bloomin good news to celebrate with the announcement of results for "Britain in Bloom" and "Yorkshire in Bloom" recently. Whilst BARWICK did not quite pull off the top award in the Large Village category which went to Coupar Angus (Perth, Scotland) they did, never the less achieve a Gold Award—a really great effort - along with a coveted RHS Community Champion Award for John Tinker in recognition of his exceptional commitment and dedication to the Britain in Bloom cause in his community

At County level, **SCHOLES** achieved a well merited **Gold Award** but just missed out as category winner which went to Shadwell. Other awards of Silver Gilt were made to **All Saints' & Barwick Methodist Churches** as well as Silver awards to Barwick's three pubs **The New Inn, Gascoigne Arms and Black Swan**. The photos opposite show the two teams who have worked so hard throughout the busy year preparing the numerous beds for planting and tending along with help at coffee mornings and other fund raising events. Below is a shot of the RHS Judges being welcomed to Barwick by the Lord Mayor Cllr Tom Murray and his wife Edna the Lady Mayoress along with Geoff Yapp, Ward Cllr Matthew Robinson, John Tinker, Ward Cllr Ann Castle, John Botterill and Parish Council Chairman Ben Hogan.



photos courtesy of Phillip Pierce (Barwick) and Ian Mann (Scholes)

Barwick in Elmet & Scholes Community Fund deadline for receipt of applications is 31 October



GOLD AWARDS for BARWICK in ELMET and SCHOLES "IN BLOOM" GROUPS



NEW WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE—In the near future Leeds City Council will be moving to a TWO WEEKLY collection service in this area. Black bins will be collected in week one and green bins of week two but always on the same day. The brown bin collection will remain as at present. Leeds City Council will deliver an envelope containing full details of the new style service two weeks before the changes are implemented. Please look out for this envelope and read the contents to avoid missing your collections. Leeds will be arranging rotas so that the same crew will always be servicing your area. If any resident is unable to put their bins out through infirmity/disability it is possible for a special arrangement to be made to ensure your bin is always emptied – details will be contained in the pack with all relevant contact details.

Leeds City Council can save money—your money if we all improve our recycling. Firstly it is important not to contaminate the contents of either your green bin or your brown bin with unsuitable material. This can lead to a whole wagon load of recyclable material being dumped in landfill. The green bin takes plastics, as at present, with the correct triangle marks nos 1, 2 and 4 and Leeds are working towards all plastics being acceptable in the future. If in doubt put it in the black bin. Garden and compostable waste only in the brown bin. If your bin contains incorrect material it may not be emptied and you may be visited by a 'waste adviser'. Leeds will be employing a team of waste advisers to help us all with recycling issues. Please "do your bit" and help improve our waste disposal system.



**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING with SOS**—the original object of the meeting was to discuss ways of resolving the differences which seemed to exist but it resulted in the Council reporting on the private meeting with GMI developers. The Chairman re-affirmed that the PC would be objecting to the proposed planning application once it had been lodged with Leeds City planning department.

**PUBLIC MEETING at St.Philip's Church**—the attendance of forty residents to discuss issues relating to the GMI development proposals was extremely disappointing and perhaps affected by SOS activity in not wanting GMI in attendance and a threatened boycott. The meeting provided an ideal opportunity for residents to question GMI officials, Parish Councillors and Ward Councillor Rachael Procter who is member of the City Plans Panel. It does really beg the question whether residents in general are much bothered by the proposals or perhaps feel that the cause is lost. Cllr Julian Kelly offered to help with drafting of objections in order to assist residents in making their responses. It was interesting to note that 37 residents had attended the drop in session at Barwick Cricket Club.

**Barwick in Elmet Cricket Club** is hoping to construct two new artificial net facilities at the ground for next season in order to facilitate the development of the many junior cricketers showing an interest in the game. They will be entering teams at under 9, 11,13, 15 & 17 in the Wetherby League for next season so any aspiring young cricketers should contact Junior Secretary - sally.hardy2@btinternet.com



#### BARWICK VILLAGE HALL NEEDS YOU

Over the last few years Barwick Village Hall has undergone considerable refit and is now very well used. A new heating system is to be installed in November.

Can vou assist us -BECOME A FRIEND OF BARWICK VILLAGE HALL - willing to give a little time to help with the running and administration of the venue. Could you spend a couple of hours painting, tidying, sweeping outside, we might even manage a small stipend. Please contact Jo on 393 5883 Claire on 393 5021

**NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN** - Our NDP has been rumbling along for quite some time but we are now able to report some positive progress following the excellent support from Leeds City planners Ian Mackay and Steve Wilkinson. Our grant application to "Locality" has now been confirmed at £7k. The application for some "professional assistance" has also been approved and "10 days of work" will be forthcoming from **Planning Aid** led by **Mike Dando**. A first meeting has been held with him where he explained his brief and advised on our next steps. He suggested a community engagement workshop and fixed a date for the next NDP meeting.

SOS reaction to the NDP had been very negative with a comment that "it will be as much use as Izal toilet paper". The plan would therefore proceed without their involvement. They intended to use the workshop to plan responses to the GMI development which was not the purpose of this particular exercise and not within Mike Dando's remit.

The working group under the leadership of Cllrs Stella Walsh & Claire Hassell is now assessing the **community consultation work** that had already taken place to decide if further information is required. It is then necessary to formulate the VISION, AIMS and OBJECTIVES of the plan to have them ready for a six week public consultation in the new year.

A project plan/time line has now been drawn up aiming for the first draft NDP to be completed for consultation in April of next year. Following feedback from residents and adjustment the plan will then be re-submitted to Leeds City Council in December 2014 and finally to an Inspector for examination in early 2015.

Residents will therefore be consulted on a number of occasions through this period and the PC would emphasise the importance of the NDP as it will carry significant weight as a statutory document with planners and developers. It is of note that Wiltshire Council recently refused a 350 home development on the grounds that approval would have undermined the NDP being prepared for that area.



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