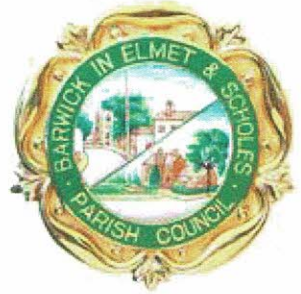


# BARWICK in ELMET & SCHOLES PARISH COUNCIL

**Newsletter**  
**March 2014**



## PLANNING MEETINGS

An **outline planning** application has been lodged with Leeds City Council for the demolition of one detached house in Morwick Grove and development of 45 dwellings with car parking, infrastructure, access, landscaping and other associated works.

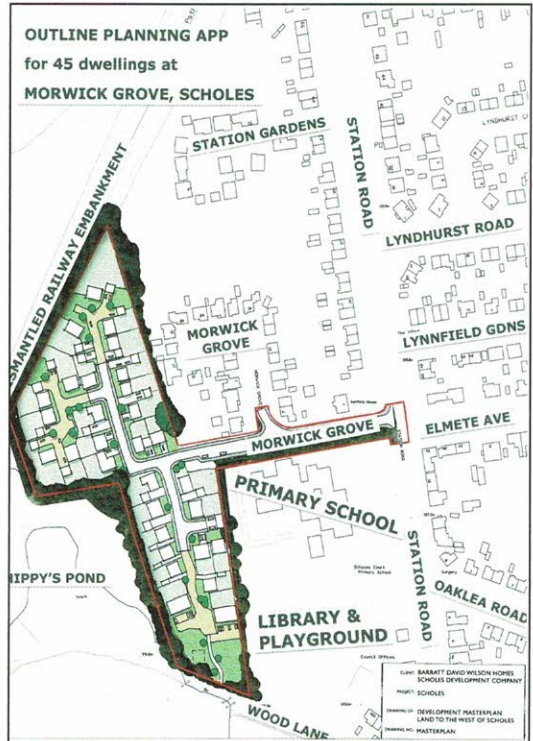
Meetings will be held in order to give residents an opportunity to discuss the plans with Parish & City Councillors as follows at

**The MANOR HOUSE**

Belle Vue Road, Scholes on

**Saturday 1 March**  
(10 am till 1 pm)

**Wednesday 5 Mar**  
(6 pm till 9 pm)



## LEEDS FESTIVAL TICKETS 22-24 AUGUST

Application forms & guidelines are now available on line and from local shops with a deadline of **12 April**. There are 250 tickets available at **£44 each** and a ballot will be held to determine the lucky residents. Details from [www.bandscf.org.uk](http://www.bandscf.org.uk) and [tickets@bandscf.org.uk](mailto:tickets@bandscf.org.uk). Grants allocated from the Community Fund from last years ticket sales are outlined inside this newsletter.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE - 12 April**



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**one vacancy for Scholes**

### **NEXT COUNCIL MEETINGS**

#### **Monday 3 March**

Scholes Methodist Hall  
Open Forum at 7 pm

#### **Monday 7 April**

Barwick Methodist Schoolroom  
Open Forum at 7 pm

#### **Clerk to the Council**

Keith Langley  
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web sites— **www.barwickandscholespc.com.**  
**www.barwickandscholesneighbourhoodplan.co.uk**

## ALLOTMENT NEWS

The Parish Council recently submitted an application to Leeds City Council to nominate **SCHOLES allotments** near to Sirrell's Garage under the **Community Right to Bid** legislation outlined in the Localism Act. It has now been confirmed that Scholes Allotments is placed on the **List of Assets of Community Value** on the basis that it satisfactorily meets the criteria laid down in the Localism Act 2011. The Right came into force in Sept 2012 and its purpose is to give communities a right to identify a property or land that is believed to be of value and to further their social interests or social well being and gives them a fair chance to make a bid to buy the property or land on the open market if an owner decides to sell—in which case the Parish Council has 6 weeks to decide if it wishes to bid and if so the owner is prevented from disposal for six months. The site at Scholes is run privately and has been part of the village since 1941 when Mrs Betsey

Gray (owner Morwick Hall) entered into an agreement with 10 residents. The current owner owns a large expanse of land in Scholes and has entered into an agreement with Scholes Development Co giving an option to purchase the land for development if planning consent was granted. The Development Co has confirmed that they have no long term intention of developing the allotment site.

In the case of Barwick allotments the land is already owned by the Parish Council and is therefore protected. Both Sports grounds and Jack Heaps Field are also in Parish ownership

## ALLOTMENTS AVAILABLE

If you fancy turning your hand to cultivating your own produce there are plots available in both villages.

**Scholes** (near to Sirell's Garages)  
phone Sue Glover on 264 1626  
su6glover@talktalk.net

**Barwick** (behind Primary School)  
phone Claire Hassell on 281 1231  
eclairehassell@live.co.uk



## PARISH CLERK—Hello & Goodbye



### Keith LANGLEY...

Born in Middlesbrough and moved to Barwick in 1967 and went to primary school there. He was part of the first ever intake of Boston Spa Comp school before going to De La Salle college of Higher Education. He then worked thirty years for BT/O2 before being made redundant at the end of November last year. In 1984 Keith began his journey on the property ladder but remained active in the parish commuting into the village to be involved in church activities, children's and youth groups and the Barwick Village Hall committee. Marriage brought him back into the parish in 1996, both his boys attended the village primary school. Keith is a passionate Leeds United fan, allotment holder, has an interest in naval history and is an active member of the church and the Gideons. Now picking up the reins.



### Chris HASSELL...

Moved to Barwick in 1996 while working as CEO at Yorkshire CCC retiring in 2002. Took on the job of producing the Parish Plan in 2006 and then appointed as Clerk the following year. Born in Surrey and started life in football as Secretary of Crystal Palace FC—the youngest in the Football League, then Everton and Preston North End before a change to cricket with Lancashire and then Yorkshire. Spent 20 years on Merseyside and was very active in Round Table as Chairman of Area 8 (Lancs & Manx). Now looks after Yorkshire Schools Cricket Assoc as President & Treasurer and enjoys his spare time on the golf course. Wife Claire is heavily involved with Neighbourhood Development Plan. Three offspring Amanda in the Army Sandra living in Surrey and Richard working in Sydney Australia.

# COMMUNITY GRANTS : 2013-14

The Barwick in Elmet & Scholes **Community Fund** is pleased to announce the grant awards for community projects for the 2013/2014 period. The fund was set up in 2012 by **Festival Republic**, promoters of the Leeds Festival and is administered by local volunteers under the guidance of Melvin Benn, Managing Director of Festival Republic. On behalf of the Community, the Fund Committee wishes to thank Festival Republic for their generosity and support. There were 18 grant applications requesting a total of £34,787 for the available fund of £18,000

**Scholes Sheltered Housing Social Club** - £600 - contribution for meal out & theatre trip, summer day trip & Christmas dinner.

**Royal British Legion—Barwick & Scholes branch** - £1,056 - for purchase of branded Gazebo & advertising banners as this year 2014 is the centenary of WW1 and there are substantive plans for fund raising and to increase awareness across local events.

**Scholes Community Care** - £200 - for a day trip to Tong Garden Centre in Bradford.

**Scholes Womens Institute** - £750 - celebrating 90 years of the WI in Scholes. Contribution towards transportation, afternoon tea and meal out—total project cost £1,500

**Scholes in Bloom** - £1,300 - for a new bench and planter which will enrich the lives of all villagers and help to achieve an RHS award for the village next year.

**Friends of Scholes Primary School (FOSP)** - £2,500 - the School is currently fundraising towards new staging, lighting and PA systems in the hall. This award will fund the installation of the PA element.

**Friends of Barwick School (FOBS)** - £2,500— the School is fundraising for the creation of an "Agile Learning Space" and substantive fundraising has been demonstrated on their part and as such the award will assist towards the total phase 1 project cost of £18,000

**Barwick in Elmet Village Hall** - £2,214 - for supply and installation of a fixed Public Address system.

**Scholes Cricket Club** - £1,000 - towards three elements of ground keeping equipment—scarifier, dense brush and cutter cassettes.

**Barwick in Elmet Cricket Club** - £1,000 - The Club is investing in new practice facilities particularly for junior members and applied for £2,000 for a bowling machine

**Barwick in Elmet Maypole Trust** - £3,500 - since 2014 is Maypole Year it was felt that the Trust should be supported with its aim of "*maintaining the tradition of the Maypole for the enjoyment of current and future generations*". The Trustees demonstrated substantial fund raising efforts since the previous Maypole raising in 2011 to achieve their aims in respect of this long standing tradition of the village.



**Barwick in Elmet Brownies** - contribution for costs in attending the "Big Brownie Birthday Starquest" in May—total project cost £480

**Scholes Playgroup** - £250 towards total costs of £600 for purchase of outdoor and sensory / multicultural toys. The committee will also provide guidance on other grant sources for similar equipment.

**Barwick in Elmet Tennis Club** - £900 towards project costs of £5,587 for washing down and repainting of tennis courts and other renovations being funded from members efforts and club funds.

There were four applicants who had received support in the previous year where it was not possible to make a grant.

**Community Fund Committee** : Melvin Benn (Chairman), Raymond Budd (Vice Chairman), Judith Birdsall (Treasurer), Matt Baker, Neil Beaumont, Richard Harrison, Liz Hayton, Claire Strafford.

**The Parish Council would like to record special thanks to Festival Republic and the Community Fund committee for the marvellous work they do in organising the ticket arrangements and the support they give to so many voluntary organisations within the Parish.**



**MAYPOLE arrangements 2014** : Maypole comes down on Easter Monday 21 April and is raised on Monday 26 May at 11 am followed by procession 1 pm, Queen's Crowning and maypole dancing from 2 pm, garland raising 4 pm and the Climb at 5pm  
*Picture above is of the 1999 raising under the former manual system.*

# NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT

With the assistance of Mike Dando from "**Planning Aid**" considerable progress is being made with the preparation of our Development Plan. The most important part of the Plan is our evidence as the Plan will need to be approved firstly by Leeds City Council and secondly by an independent Planning Inspector. We have already accumulated much evidence from residents following questionnaires and drop in sessions but we will need to carry out further work seeking residents comments and views in order to ensure our findings are sound.

A draft of the **VISION, AIMS AND OBJECTIVES** of the Plan and drafts of **PROPOSED POLICIES** are nearing completion and will be circulated to all residents along with a questionnaire in a few months time. Consultation events will be held to give residents the opportunity of discussing the draft documents with our team and to record views expressed. We will also be contacting the various social, sporting and environmental groups in the Parish to ensure we get a wide spectrum of views and opinions.

Our **POLICIES** will cover the planning issues relative to us locally. We do not need to cover National Policies or those adopted by Leeds City as all developers have to adhere to these already. We will be looking at protecting, enhancing and increasing our greenspace and our heritage. Wildlife too is important via protection of trees & retention of hedges, allotments and gardens. The type and size of new properties and whether we need first time buyer, sheltered, affordable, business accommodation will be covered along with density of development. Then we have infrastructure issues, sewerage and drainage, school places and local highways. Leisure issues include youth facilities, footpaths, bridleways and cycle routes. Employment issues covering agriculture, retail and home working will also be included.

We have a very committed group of residents working on these issues but would welcome any newcomers who feel they might be able to contribute to this important project which will eventually be adopted as a statutory planning document to protect the greenbelt areas that surround our villages and maintain a clear buffer separation from Leeds. *Enquiries please to [eclairhassell@live.co.uk](mailto:eclairhassell@live.co.uk)*

## SCHOLES LODGE FARM (Public Open Space)

Councillors Tom Crosfill and Stella Walsh are very keen to hear views from Scholes residents in relation to the future use of this area—and which might include a Wild Flower Meadow, additional trees, pathway with bench seating and closer grass cutting. A further meeting is being planned for the near future so if you would like to make a contribution please contact [tomcrosfill@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tomcrosfill@hotmail.co.uk)





## **NEW GOAL NET is a BIG HIT**

The new goal net at Jack Heaps Field has been very well received by local youngsters and provides a welcome facility for casual play after school and at weekends. The net is able to be moved around the field so as not to wear out one particular area of grass.

## **HELP for MAYPOLE DAY**

Volunteers would be appreciated for Maypole Day on Mon 26 May for help with digging and filling the hole, to act as "rope men" and to help with marshalling the crowds. Garlands are taken round the village in the weeks running up to the day and anyone willing to offer their services should make contact via email or facebook [barwickmaypolecommittee@hotmail.com](mailto:barwickmaypolecommittee@hotmail.com) [www.facebook.com/barwickmaypoletrust](http://www.facebook.com/barwickmaypoletrust)

## **DIARY DATES**

**Thursday 22 May**  
**LEEDS CITY COUNCIL and**  
**EUROPEAN ELECTIONS**

**Monday 26 May (Bank Hol)**  
**MAYPOLE FESTIVAL**

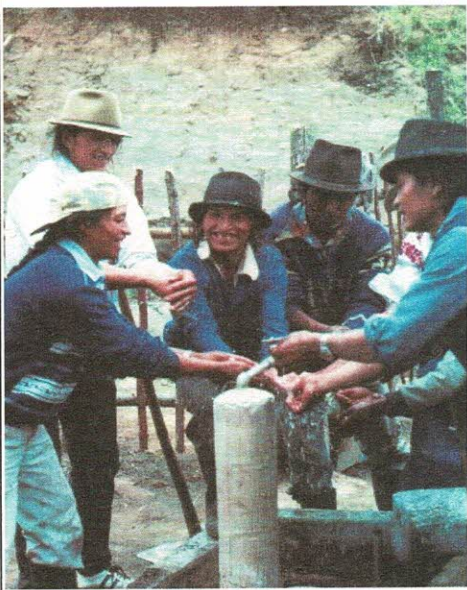
**Saturday 14 June**  
**SCHOLES GALA**

**Sun 22 June—1 pm till 5 pm**  
**BARWICK OPEN GARDENS**

**Sunday 3 AUG—WW1 SPECIAL**  
**COMMEMORATION EVENTS**

## **HELP for EQUADOR**

My name is Cameron Hardy and I live in Barwick in Elmet village and attend Boston Spa school who are organising an educational trip to Equador, South America where we will be installing a water distillation unit to improve the water supply at a small village on the Rio Napo river which feeds into the Amazon. We plan to improve the lives of villagers in a mountainous area so I need to raise £4,900 for the trip which will last for a month. Over the next 18 months I will be working on various fund raising initiatives to reach my target so if you would like to assist in my efforts or would like more information please contact me via [cameron.hardy@live.co.uk](mailto:cameron.hardy@live.co.uk)



**Please DO NOT PARK**  
**on PAVEMENTS as it**  
**causes danger to**  
**those with PRAMS &**  
**PUSHCHAIRS**



## BUSES from BARWICK or "LATE AGAIN"

We're waiting for a bus  
And we'd like to make a fuss.  
It's already very late  
And I'm getting in a state.  
We're waiting in this queue  
And don't know what to do !

My appointment will be missed  
Some one behind me hissed  
And I will miss my train,  
Another did complain.  
This really isn't fair  
Doesn't anybody care ?

The 64 is late  
And we're getting quite irate.  
It happens every day  
I heard some body say.  
You have to set off early  
We are not treated fairly.

The bus comes into view  
A sigh goes round the queue.  
At last we pile on board  
Several thinking "*praise the Lord*"  
Are all First's buses late  
Or is this just our fate ?

But—At least we have a bus.  
There are many worse than us  
As we wait a chance to chat -  
Mulling over, this and that.  
So let us not complain -  
Until—the bus is late again !

by Pat Rogers



## PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

There will be a vacancy on the Parish Council following the retirement of Councillor Gerry McDonough who is leaving due to family and business commitments.

Notice is hereby given that due to the resignation of **Councillor Gerry McDonough** a vacancy exists in the office of Parish Councillor for the Parish of Barwick in Elmet & Scholes in the **Scholes Ward**

The vacancy will be filled by election if **ten local government electors** for the said electoral area submit a written request to that effect in the manner prescribed below and if no such request is made the vacancy will be filled by the Parish Council by co-option. Requests for an election to be held to fill the vacancy must be in writing and must reach the Returning Officer, Leeds City Council, Electoral Services, Level 2, Town Hall, The Headrow, Leeds, LS1 3AD not later than **21 March 2014**

*By order of Parish Clerk Chris Hassell  
Chessingham, Elmwood Lane,  
Barwick in Elmet, Leeds, LS15 4JX  
Date of Notice 28 February 2014*

If an election is called it would be held on Thurs 22 May 2014 along with European & Leeds City Council elections on that same day. **Scholes** residents wishing to call for an election must be on the voters list.

## BUS MEETING

To discuss issues concerning the bus services particularly for Scholes will be held at The Manor House, Belle Vue Road, Scholes on

**Tue 11 March 7pm**