

## **Barwick in Elmet & Scholes** Parish Council

## **Newsletter Autumn 2018**

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# Talk to Us

Questions...

... Comments?

#### **Our Mission Statement:**

"The Parish Council would like all residents to enjoy and feel proud of living in our community. It strives to continually enhance the quality of life of those that live in the parish by improving and developing the environment, promoting an inclusive community, and enhancing community facilities, whilst protecting the historic elements of the area. We want everyone to be part of this vision and participate in making the Parish of Barwick in Elmet and Scholes an outstanding place to live."

- RKING
- Call 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.

## Parish Council details & important dates:

#### **Next Parish Council Meetings:**

Open Forum Parish Council Venue
Mon 5<sup>th</sup> November 7.00pm 7.30pm Barwick

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> December 7.00pm 7.30pm Scholes Methodist hall

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> January 7.00pm 7.30pm Barwick

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 information are available to view online, and copies are also available by request from the Clerk to the council.

#### The Parish Councillors, working for YOU:

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Parish Council Surgery: Located at Scholes library on the last Saturday of every Month from 11-12am. Please come & express your views, raise any issues etc. Last Saturday of every Month

#### Letter from the Chairman

I hope everyone has enjoyed the hot sunny summer and is refreshed and ready to gear up for Christmas. It's only just around the corner!

What has the Parish Council been doing?... We had representation at the site Allocations Enquiry, we are in discussion with Leeds regarding the East Leeds Orbital Road, particularly over residents concerns regarding possible noise and air pollution, and most importantly preparing our case for the Inquiry regarding GMI/Barratt/David Wilson's application to build 300 houses in Scholes. We are also in discussion with Leeds regarding Scholes Playground and the problem with the roundabout. It will be either fixed or replaced.

What has been happening in the Parish – Scholes Gala was a great success, a fine afternoon, lots for residents to spend their money on, raising funds for Scholes Village Hall. Our local British Legion have a new Standard which was dedicated at All Saints Church and the retiring Standard will have a permanent home in St Philips.

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Barwick in Bloom have been awarded a Gold Medal for their floral displays by Yorkshire in Bloom, Barwick Methodist Chapel a Platinum Award and All Saints a Silver Gilt — Congratulations! At the time of writing Scholes in Bloom are still awaiting, with baited breath for their results from Britain in Bloom.

We have a team of five Councillors to fight for Scholes at the Public Inquiry into the application to build 300 homes on the PAS (Safeguarded) land in Scholes. Led by Phil Maude, Stella Walsh, Paul Remmer, Howard Bedford and myself, will all be speaking. The Manor House is booked for Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November for a consultation with residents. The proposed development raises many problems, lack of infrastructure, is there a need for so many properties, massive disruption during building, increase in traffic, insufficient school places, the list is endless but the team will do their best to convince the Planning Inspector that the application should be refused. The hearing starts 11<sup>th</sup> December for 2 weeks, the result will not be immediate, some time in the New Year. We will keep all residents informed of progress. Enjoy autumn & have a great Christmas & New Year.

Claire Hassell

## Parish Council surgery "Very useful"

Have your say Some will have noticed in the last newsletter that the Parish Council had decided to trial a new service to our residents by providing a Parish Councillor in Scholes library between 11am – 12pm on the last Saturday of every month (except December) for people to voice any issues or ask any questions.

We are delighted to say that some residents have used this as an opportunity to come and meet their representatives and have a chat. We have decided to continue this for the foreseeable future, so PLEASE come down and talk to us... we want to hear from you in a very friendly and open atmosphere. If we can't answer your questions on the day, we guarantee to get back to you ASAP.



## Reduce costs & have fresher Veg... Grow your own

#### There is availability at Barwick Allotments

Full plot (very large) £20 pa / Half plot £10 pa... or could consider a quarter plot. Water on site at no extra charge. Contact:- Claire Hassell <a href="mailto:eclairehassell@live.co.uk">eclairehassell@live.co.uk</a> or Keith Langley <a href="mailto:clerkls154@btinternet.com">clerkls154@btinternet.com</a> 0113 393 5861 for more information.



## 300 houses in Scholes... initial victory!

Following strong opposition by the Parish Council, the Community Forum Action Group and your local city councillors, Leeds City Council's Plans Panel have agreed to argue against this proposal at the upcoming public inquiry... an initial victory in our fight against this development.

As many people may know, a public inquiry is due to start on Tuesday 11th December 2018



at the Civic Hall, Leeds, to consider Barratt/David Wilson Homes' appeal for planning permission to build 300 houses in Scholes.

Your Parish Council is preparing the strongest objection to this development and detailed below is how we are progressing this:

- Our team, comprising five Parish Councillors, will attend the Public Inquiry to object to the application
- In addition, our objection team is strengthened by a local resident who has expertise in road safety and will give evidence
- We have obtained "Rule 6" status which means we have the same status as the principle parties and therefore we can cross examine witnesses
- We will be submitting proofs of evidence to the Inquiry.. available to read and comment about on our website from 12th November 2018
- We will put copies of other parties' proofs of evidence on the website when they are received. This will allow residents to see what is being submitted to the Inquiry by others.

On Saturday 24th November at the Manor House, Scholes we will be holding a drop in session: 10.00am to 12.30pm for you to get the latest update and ask the objection team any questions.

## Scholes Resident Helps Raise Funds for Yorkshire Air Ambulance Service

Most local people are familiar with the Yorkshire Air Ambulance. Perhaps not so well known is that it is a charity, relying on funds from individuals & organisations to keep the helicopters flying.



In Scholes, volunteer Judy Higgins has raised over £2,500 selling individually-designed cards, jewellery and other hand-made crafts. She has regular stalls in Scholes Manor House and at local events. To find out more, visit her at the Elderberries craft table in St Philip's Chu\rch on Monday afternoons, or email <a href="https://higgins.judy@btinternet.com">higgins.judy@btinternet.com</a> to help in supporting this important service.

## 100 year centenary celebrations in Barwick...

### Reflections of the Great War, by Glyn Davies

The Parish Council has plans to commemorate the Centenary of the Great War by holding an event on Hall Tower Field in Barwick in November. No one who was actually involved in the war to end wars is still with us, but as one of the older parish councillors, the effects of that war on my family are still felt. The family members who were lost live on in old letters, stiffly-posed sepia photographs and decaying stone memorials.

My father was born in November 1917 and was named Hugh after his father's youngest brother, Hughie. Hughie worked in a draper's shop and in 1915, before conscription had been introduced, was handed a white feather by a girl who was angered by his not being in uniform. He promptly volunteered and in the spring of 1916, was sent to France to fight in the infantry. He was hit by shell fire on 16th August during the Battle of the Somme and killed.



Pte Pte Daniel Davies

Hughie had an elder brother called Danny. who volunteered at the outbreak of the war in 1914 and served at Boulogne in France in July 1915. He was wounded the following September, but recovered and re-entered the war as a stretcher bearer, repeatedly entering the killing ground to rescue badly wounded soldiers and carry them back to safety. In September 1917, Danny was awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal (DCM) and mentioned in the London and Edinburgh Gazettes for repeatedly enduring rifle and shell fire across open ground to rescue fallen comrades. Danny was killed by a shell on 22nd March 1918 during the Battle of Arras.

## The Parish Council & The Royal British Legion

CELEBRATE WITH US THE END OF

### WW1: ON 11<sup>™</sup> NOVEMBER 2018

Hall Tower Field, Barwick in Elmet 11<sup>th</sup> November, 5.30 – 7.30pm Fireworks, Music.

Joining cities towns & villages everywhere in lighting a beacon to the fallen heroes.

Check our website & social Media for more information



## Scholes & Barwick U13's walking to victory

Congratulations go to the Scholes & Barwick U13's for their fabulous performances this year. Both villages are proud of your achievements.

They are the new league winners for the Garforth Junior League 2017/18.





The U13's picking up the Garforth League trophy at Elland Road

Thornes FC Gala U13's proudly display their winners trophy





Epworth FC Gala U13's runners-up (lost on penalties)

#### Leaders needed for Barwick Guides

After a combined total of 65 fun-packed years, Jane and Susan have decided the time has come to hand over the running of Barwick Guides to others, so won't be continuing as Leaders after the end of 2018.

If you, or anyone you know, would like to be leaders of Barwick Guides; it doesn't have to be just one person, it can be a team of people. Full training and support is given from Guiding.

We have 18 enthusiastic Guides, however, unfortunately, if no-one can be found to lead them, then **Barwick Guides will close**, which would be a shame, as it has been going for over 50 years. Please do come and chat with us if you would like to know more.

Visit girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved or call 0800 169 5901 Thanking you in advance





### **Dog Fouling**

Most local councils require dog owners to carry a poop scoop and disposable bag whenever they take their dogs out to a public place. Look out for bins marked as dog bins to dispose of your dog bag. If you cannot find a dog bin, then double wrap the dog bag and place it in a normal litter bin.





If your street is littered with dog mess, you can ask your local council to clean it. Councils now have more power to tackle public dog mess under the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005. They can issue dog control orders against individual dog owners and can issue fixed penalty fines. Where there is no local rate, the fixed penalty is £75.

In very serious cases, magistrates can issue a maximum penalty of £1,000 If you see a repeat offender or can give the City Council Dog Wardens a description of the dog and owner, contact:

Dog Wardens: 0113 222 4407 email: onestop@leeds.gov.uk

Address: 6 Grace Street Leeds LS1 2RP



## Applications for Funding from the Community Fund

The Community Fund Committee exists to improve the community in which we all live. We work with residents, groups, associations, organisations or committees from within the parish of Barwick-in-Elmet and Scholes, as well as with Festival Republic whose generosity provides for the fund.

#### The funding is made up of two components:

- 1. A generous donation of £7,500 provided by Festival Republic, and
- 2. The sale of 250 Leeds Festival tickets to local residents heavily discounted by Festival Republic *for residents only*.

Total funds are thus limited to £18,500 per year. Although this is a generous annual contribution to our community, it must first cover any losses from the festival shuttle bus service, and thereafter cover as many applications as possible from the entire parish. Please bear this total in mind when submitting your application.

Applications are invited during September and October each year - for grants issued early the following year. The application form is available from the website:

### http://www.bandscf.org.uk/grants

You can also find the terms and conditions pertaining to the application for, and the allocation of Community Fund grants.

Any Community Fund terms and conditions are non-negotiable and any grant application that does not meet the terms and conditions will NOT be considered.

## **Autumn Gardening Tips**

Summer may well be over, but there are still loads of jobs you can do to keep your garden looking good throughout Autumn and in preparation for winter:

September and October are the perfect months for you to prepare your garden for winter while the weather is still mild. The first step is to clear up the beds, removing the dead leaves and foliage (turning these into compost if you can) and making way for the groundwork which will keep your plants good when the weather is bad.



#### Weed and clean

The next job is to weed and clean the paths before spraying them with an organic weed killer which will keep the nasties at bay but which won't do any damage to the environment. Cleaning your paths now will save you a big job in the spring when you finally brave the gardening which you've put off for the cold winter months.



#### **Expand your garden**

If you are looking to expand your garden or have a complete overhaul, autumn is actually the best time of year to do this as new plants can make a strong start and 'bed in' before the cold weather takes hold and starts to make life difficult for them. The same is true if you wish to relay a lawn, the seed should be given a chance to take root and become strong before the cold weather takes over.

#### Give it a last feed

Think of your garden as going into hibernation over the winter, just as animals store food during the summer and autumn in order to survive the winter, so too should your garden with your help. Clear the moss or weeds from any areas of grass and give the

#### Introduce mulch or wood chippings and take cuttings

Laying mulch or wood chippings between plants and shrubs before winter can help to protect the soil as well as keeping in vital nutrients which are needed for the soil to remain fertile and keep your garden looking good throughout the year.



If you want to make new plants from the ones you already have in the garden, take cuttings during the autumn. Cuttings should be around 10cm tall and you should remove any lower leaves before planting in small pots full of premium soil.

## Remembrance Day (Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Nov) calendar of events:

9:15am Standards Parade from Scholes Scout hut to St Philip's Church for 9.30 service.
10:00am Act of Remembrance at the Scholes War Memorial
10:55am Parade from Jack Heaps Field to the Barwick War Memorial
11:00am Act of Remembrance at the Barwick War Memorial
11:15am Church Service at All Saints' Church, Barwick in Elmet.