



Barwick in Elmet and Scholes Parish News Letter

November 2021



Message from the Chair

I hope this newsletter finds you all well and you are looking forward to Christmas; which hopefully will not be cancelled this year. Now we are coming out of Covid lockdowns, meetings are beginning to start up again and social life is slowly getting back to normal. The Parish Council (PC) however seems to be besieged with challenges, which like buses all come at once. We have had to cope with road closures in and around the villages and disruption from the road building. Sam Harding has volunteered to be the Chair of the ELOR Working Party and together with the ELOR team will take forward residents' concerns at this important time as the project approaches completion. Leeds City Council (LCC) have published plans for a new country park in the parish on the north side of Thorner Lane, which will have a couple of ponds a small play area, but no toilets, café or car parking. In addition, LCC with the West Yorkshire Combined Authority are proposing to provide a new park and ride facility on the A64 opposite Langlands Garden Centre, this will be the subject of consultation over the coming months.

Many of you will be aware of my concern about the extended **Parish Boundary**. This is a very complex issue and if the PC decide that there is merit in seeking an amended boundary, there will be extensive consultation and perhaps a referendum in the Parish. I will keep you informed. The East Leeds Extension will bring 5000 new houses to this part of the city, with at least 1500 within the current parish boundary, a new settlement bigger than either Barwick or Scholes. Such an influx of new residents will bring pressure to bear on existing services, notably transport, health and education. The PC is seeking to work with officers from LCC who are looking at the potential impact of this new development, to ensure the interests of the parish are taken into account and considered. For those of you who are interested you can keep up to date with developments on our website.

The PC has been provided with information from the **Local Care Partnership (LCP)** about initiatives in the area which may be of interest to residents and this is available on our website. This will include plans for dealing with the new development. Scholes comes under the Crossgates LCP and Barwick comes under the Garforth LCP. You can be sure that despite all these things happening your Parish Councillors, who are all volunteers, are doing their best to look after the interests of all residents in these challenging times.

The Scholes Project **Vision for the Future** which will provide new equipment and a MUGA pitch on the old tennis courts has successfully been awarded grants to allow this to start in the New Year. Thanks to Cllr Slater for all his hard work in securing this funding.

Phil Maude,
Chair of Barwick in Elmet and Scholes Parish Council.

PARISH COUNCIL Meetings update

Main PC meetings are held once a month in alternate villages. All meetings start with a half hour open session for the public to raise issues. The agreed Minutes of meetings can be viewed on the PC website. The PC also meets regularly at Scholes Pavilion for various committees and subcommittees. The Finance and General Purposes Committee currently meets on Tuesday the second week of the month. Scholes Lodge Field Subcommittee meets twice a year, March and September
Please visit <https://barwickandscholespc.org/> for details of dates and times of meetings.

Police and Communities Together (PACT) Meetings

Cllr Alexandra Cantelo attends PACT meetings on behalf of the PC, if there are issues you wish her to raise, please contact her or send details to the Clerk. An issue that has been raised with the police, is **inconsiderate parking** on the pavement and around the schools during collection times.

PCSO's have indicated that they will make regular visits and any vehicles creating an obstruction will be issued with a ticket. **PLEASE** park with consideration for others and in particular consider wheelchair and "buggy" users; otherwise, it could prove expensive.

The Parish Council is trying where possible to consider the environmental impact of its activities. The PC has changed to recycled paper for the News Letter. Recycled paper is more expensive, but it is the greenest option; it uses less energy, water, and produces lower carbon emissions than the manufacture of non-recycled paper. It reduces the amount of waste to landfill as paper can be recycled 4 to 5 times.

Thanks to **Steve Sirrell**, for his hard work painting benches in Scholes Lodge Field.

Barwick in Elmet Ward welcomes two new councillors.

Councillor Carl Atkinson

Carl moved to Barwick-in-Elmet January 2020 for the rural village life and community. He became the Co-ordinator of the Barwick Neighbourhood Watch scheme as he has an interest in the safety of the village and residents. Carl became a member of our Parish Council in October 2021 and is keen to represent the parish as a whole and centre around the community and engagement.



Councillor David Budd

Having moved north from South Yorkshire, David has lived in the Parish for a little over 3 years. David's professional life has always been in the public sector and he hopes to build upon this to help support the PC in its various endeavours, and for the benefit of its residents.

Siena Ansell from Potterton entered Leeds Children's Lord Mayoral Elections

Leeds Children's Mayor is an annual citizenship programme for primary schools. It engages children in the process of voting and democracy and promotes a better understanding of rights and responsibilities. This year over fifty entries were submitted by primary schools from across our city. Children under 18 can vote. Twelve finalists were selected including **Siena Ansell**, aged 10.



Zulaykha Hussain, from Bardsey Primary School won the competition. However, as a result of Siena's impressive performance she was approached by the Mayor and several councillors and asked to join the Youth Council.

Details of Siena's manifesto can be found at

<https://youtu.be/f-ZC1am0l-4>

This may encourage other young people in the Parish to apply next year.

Well, done Siena for being brave enough to enter and being invited onto the Youth Council. Please keep the PC updated on issues of interest to young people.

Parish activities and facilities.



Father Christmas visit to Pavilion Scholes Saturday December 11th

14.00-17.00 please email Angela_spencer@btinternet.com to book a time. Only booked visits £1.50 per child with selection box.

St Phillip's Church Scholes

The **Community Café** is now open. Every **Friday 9am -12 noon** and the **last Saturday** in the month 10am - 12 noon. All welcome for a friendly chat and excellent cakes.

Elderberries: Monday between 1 and 3 to have a chat, cup of tea, try a crossword or some gentle exercise 1.30pm. In the hall Brass band practice; 1-2pm and folk singing 2-3pm.

Little Fishes Tuesday 10.30 to 12.00 Pre-school children's activities. No fee just come along for some play time.

Scholes Happy Together Choir is back. Thursday's 18.00 to 19.00 St Phillips Church Hall. Everybody welcome, you do not even have to sing or read music. Just come along and have some fun, singing popular songs. £1.50 per session.

Manor House, Scholes Community Care Coffee Morning.

Wednesday 10am to 11.30 am. Refreshments and raffle £1.50.

Scholes Village Hall currently has no Booking Secretary, and has suspended private functions; apologises for any inconvenience. This decision will be reviewed in 2022. If you would like to volunteer as Booking Secretary, or know anyone who may be interested in the role, please message us at scholesvillagehall@gmail.com. Thank you SVH Trustees.

Barwick Snooker Club Barwick Miners Institute, Chapel Lane.

Annual membership is £30 (£20 for the first year), club nights Monday and Thursday, 19.30 once you have joined you can play anytime. For access to The Institute members will be issued with keys, (hire charge £10).

Contact keith.monkman@sky.com

The Barwick Miners Institute also have a **room for hire** suitable for parties, meetings and group activities. Contact **Rodney Kemp 0113 2813005**

Barwick Guides needs you! or maybe someone you know.

Barwick Guides have been in the village for over 50 years, and now, due to lack of adult Leaders, its future is uncertain. Brownies and Rainbows started back face to face in September, the Guides joined another local group on Zoom due to Leader shortage. The Guides would really like to meet face to face again in Barwick, so if you, or someone you know is interested contact info@barwickguides.org.uk

Barwick Methodist Church Saturday 4th December

Coffee Morning between 10 am - 12.00 noon £2.00 for Coffee / Tea and biscuits
Raffle and Cake Stall Proceeds in aid of Salvation Army

Barwick Methodist Church Schoolroom

Tuesday 7th December T @ 2 Come along and join us and meet new friends.

Exercises for the over 70's John Rylie House Barwick in Elmet

Every Friday 10am to 11am. Chair based exercises which cater for most levels of fitness. For more details ring Pat on 0113 2812629

Barwick Village Hall classes are all up and running. It is open for private bookings. Below is a list of current regular classes:

Monday	10.00 am	Indoor Bowling
	6.15 pm	Zumba Karen Tunstall
Tuesday	Midday	Pilates with Rochelle
	6.00 pm	Boot Camp with Donna
	7.30 pm	Scottish Dancing
Wednesday	10.00 am	Walking Netball (Scholes WI)
	1.30 pm	Indoor Bowling
	5.45 pm	Beavers
	7.00 pm	Line Dancing
Thursday	1.15 pm	Playgroup
	6.00 pm	Cubs
Friday	6.30 pm	Boogie Bounce with Ash & Jo

BARWICK IN BLOOM would like to thank everyone who supported their coffee morning in September. It was a very successful enjoyable event and so nice to be out again after 'lock down'. By the time you read this we will have held another in November but please make a note to join us in the New Year

Coffee Morning in Barwick Village Hall

Saturday 15th January 10am -12 noon

As always everyone is very welcome.

Men at Work!



As you may have noticed **Barwick in Bloom** continue to be very busy in our efforts to keep the village looking good There are plans to change one or two of our beds to 'permanent planting'. This will be more sustainable and better for the environment and less work for us!

Clubs and organisations in the parish are always looking to welcome new members and volunteers. Why not think about a new hobby for the New Year.

BARWICK IN ELMET CHRISTMAS MARKET

SUNDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2021

11AM TO 4PM - FREE ENTRY

BARWICK IN ELMET VILLAGE HALL

STALLS SELLING: HAMPERS, CARDS,
FOOD, DECORATIONS, HANDMADE GIFTS
& TOYS. ALSO MULLED WINE AND CAKES.
SANTA'S GROTTO AND CAROL SINGING



Organising and event in Barwick? Use the VILLAGE EVENTS DIARY

Don't forget to check the at the Maypole Deli Café to see if the date is free and then enter your event in the diary. If we all do this, events won't clash and every organisation will benefit.

Scholes Pavilion is available for hire at reasonable prices

The perimeter fence and lockable gate provide a safe area for children, with plenty of outdoor space for bouncy castles or play equipment.

There is also a kitchen, seating and tables.

Booking information is on the PC website

<https://barwickandscholes.org>

For 100 years the Royal British Legion has been helping serving and ex-serving personnel and their families. From those who served in the First World War to the men and women of our Armed Forces today, we believe no-one should suffer for having served others. Many service men and women who have been injured and suffer from PTSD find civilian life hard. We aim to help in any way we can.

Volunteer Secretary needed. to deal with emails and to take minutes at meetings, last Wednesday every month. Contact Leslie Goddard jackstar08@hotmail.co.uk



Poppy volunteers have been at the heart of the Poppy Appeal in local communities for over 100 years. We thank each and every one of you in Barwick and Scholes for your continued support. It is with pride and honour we march on Remembrance Day to remember those who gave their lives. **Lest we forget.**

Leslie Goddard Chairman, Barwick and Scholes Royal British Legion

Dr Alan Stanley led the Sunday Remembrance Parades in the Parish and wreaths were laid at both cenotaphs in Barwick and Scholes. Thanks to Natalie Morrison the bugler.



Thank you to **Gabriella Clare Cheek** who completed the post box decoration in Barwick

Contact Details of Parish Councillors working for you

Chair Phil Maude 2021-2022

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Scholes Ward

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Keith Langley is Clerk to the PC and works part-time.

Contact details; telephone: 0113 393 5861 email: clerk@barwickandscholespc.org

There is also a contact form on the PC website. <https://barwickandscholes.org>

Your views are important to the PC, please do not hesitate to get in touch.



Howard Bedford

It was with a sense of real sadness, shock and loss hearing of the death of our former Councillor Howard Bedford who passed away a few weeks ago. Howard had lived in Barwick in Elmet for more than 3 decades he was a well-known local character, and always a willing volunteer when required, in recent years he had helped at several events organised by the Maypole Trust. Howard was passionate about campaigning to protect the local environment, was well known for efforts by many people throughout the Parish and the wider area. Howard was a well-respected member of the Parish Council and played an active role in parish affairs. He campaigned against development in Parlington and Scholes; to lower speed limits in the parish and was Chair of the ELOR Working Party.

His decision to stand down from the Parish Council was received with great regret by the Chair and colleagues. Howard was a keen cricketer and footballer and played for Barwick Cricket Club and Barwick Football Club for a number of years throughout some of their most successful periods winning several medals and trophies.

Our thoughts go out to his family, his wife Amanda and daughters Holly, Jessica and Georgina at this difficult time.