



Barwick in Elmet and Scholes Parish Council Newsletter September 2026

Manor House Scholes Change of use to GP surgery

Full planning consent has been granted by Leeds City Council (LCC) for the change of use of Manor House to a temporary (two years), GP surgery. This comes with various conditions, the principal one being a condition relating to a parking awareness plan which the GP has agreed to, aimed at deterring patients from parking in restricted areas.

The LCC/NHS working group on this project meet in September to discuss project timelines and final budgets. A planning application for a temporary Portakabin to be located at the rear for community use is also being considered. The Parish Council (PC) will keep residents updated with potential opening dates of the surgery.

Hall Tower Field

The PC has had to close the field on a temporary basis for health and safety reasons. The wall on the path up to the field has collapsed and is extremely dangerous. The PC do not own the wall but are liaising with LCC to have the wall repaired as quickly as possible. Apologies for the inconvenience.

The current budget for **Christmas lights** in the parish, is 10% of the precept. The PC would like to have more lights in the villages but higher costs prohibit this. A working party is looking at alternative lighting systems for the coming season which may be more effective and within budget.

Leeds Local Plan Scoping Consultation

The PC has submitted comments on the scoping consultation document for the proposed Leeds Local Plan. A copy is on the PC website. The Local Plan will guide how Leeds grows and changes up to 2043. It will set out planning policies for the whole district and help shape decisions about homes, jobs, infrastructure, green spaces, climate, transport, design and the environment.

At this stage, LCC were not consulting on specific sites, detailed policy options or proposed site allocations. They currently expect the next main consultation to take place in winter 2026/27. This will give you an opportunity to comment on policy options and potential site allocation choices. The Council is also carrying out a review of the green belt. The introduction of "grey belt land" within land currently in

the green belt been clarified in national policy and will be applied by LCC to the Local Plan. This could potentially have significant implications for land in the parish. The PC is working closely with Ward Councillors and Leeds City Council and will keep residents advised of the Plans progress, and more information regarding the grey belt will be provided once the PC receives it.

In addition, comments can be made on the West Yorkshire mass Transit **Spatial Development Framework Joint Development Plan Document - Regulation 19 Publication Draft consultation survey**.

Comments may be submitted on the **soundness** and **legal compliance** of the Development Plan Document. The consultation runs from **Tuesday 4 August to Sunday 27 September 2026**.

West Yorkshire Mass Transit: Spatial Development Framework Joint Development Plan This consultation is open until **Sunday 27 September 2026**.

What is this consultation about? This consultation seeks views on a proposed planning framework to help ensure that future development and regeneration are coordinated with the West Yorkshire Mass Transit network. Your views will help to inform the overall approach and the planning policies needed to maximise the benefits of Mass Transit.

To help focus responses, please note that this consultation does **not** decide specific Mass Transit routes or station locations, allocate housing or employment sites, change Green Belt boundaries, or set housing and employment growth targets.

You can view the consultation documents and submit your representation online, or respond by email or post:

- **Online:** <http://yourvoice.westyorks-ca.gov.uk/SDFReg19>
- **By email:** MassTransit@westyorks-ca.gov.uk
- **By post:** FREEPOST, WY MASS TRANSIT SDF JDPD CONSULTATION, WEST YORKSHIRE COMBINED AUTHORITY (no stamp needed)

Please include your name and contact details with your response, as anonymous comments cannot be accepted.

For more information see link on Parish Council Website.

<https://barwickandscholespc.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/08/SDF-Statement-of-Representation-Reg19.pdf>

Barwick Playground Improvements

The improvements to the children's playground at Barwick are ongoing. It is hoped that grant funding can be sort to extend the playground into Jack Heap's Field, increasing the area available for play equipment. Comments and ideas are welcomed, especially from younger members of the parish. Future plans will be circulated for comment. A planning application has been submitted.

VANDALISM IN THE PARISH This costs YOU money!

The PC has had to spend a great deal of money on assets that have been vandalised. Football posts have had to be repaired as people swing on them, nets at the tennis courts have been vandalised as has the top of Hall Tower. Thanks to the skills and hard work of Cllr Foxcroft repairing the damage, the PC would have spent thousands of pounds on repairs to Hall Tower to make it safe. It is not a councillor's role to undertake repairs. The money for repairs comes out of your precept. If this damage continues the PC may find itself in the position that it can no longer afford to pay for replacement of equipment and assets; reducing the facilities available to residents.

PLEASE KEEP GOLF TO PLAYING ON THE APPROPRIATE GOLF COURSES

The PC has had several complaints regarding people playing golf on the sports fields. Please note that these fields are **NOT** for use by residents to practice golf. Incidents have occurred where golf balls have caused grave concerns to members of the public as they have nearly hit people playing other sports. The sports clubs have to keep their grounds in good condition for their activities and also do not want golfers making dints in the grounds. The PC do not wish to bring in the police but, if necessary, may have to.

Councillors attend the Police and Communities Together (PACT) meetings and raise issues relating to the Parish. These monthly sessions let residents meet the local Neighbourhood Policing Team and council representatives to raise local concerns, ask questions, and discuss community priorities. Please let the Clerk know of issues you may wish to raise.

Recorded recent incidents

An assault in Scholes; haybales set on fire in Barwick; males intimidating residents in Barwick and speeding in the villages. June theft from motor vehicles 4 in Scholes, 1 in Barwick in Elmet. 1 vehicle was taken without consent in Barwick in Elmet

Please take sensible precautions, lock doors/windows and cars. Do not leave valuable items on view. Report all crimes to the police.

The police have agreed to increase monitoring of speeding on the roads in the parish.

The next Harewood PACT meeting is 8th October 2026, 18.30-19.30
Wetherby Police Station, Boston Road, Wetherby, LS22 5HA

Your views are important to the PC, please do not hesitate to get in touch.
Contact details **Keith Langley Clerk to the PC** (works part-time).
Telephone: 0113 393 5861 email: clerk@barwickandscholespc.org

Events in the Parish Dates for the diary

Scholes Happy Together Choir

11am Sunday 20th September
Scholes Peace Garden

To celebrate International Peace Day members of the choir will perform. International Peace Day is celebrated on 21st September.

Children from Scholes Primary School and Scholes Scouts have made new bunting for the event,
which will be on display in the garden.
Refreshments in St Phillip's Church Hall

Barwick in Bloom

Coffee Mornings **26th September and 14th November**
Both in **Barwick Village Hall** 10am to noon

Entrance, including refreshments £2
Donation of cakes and raffle prizes always appreciated.

Watch out for it. **Available soon – our 2027 Calendar**
Our 30th anniversary edition and a little bit different this year.
Ever thought of having your garden included in Open Gardens in June 2027?
If you are interested contact us.

Contact: barwickinbloom@btinternet.com

The Parish and Barwick in Bloom should like to send thanks and their gratitude to **Mr. Tony Greaves**, who, as a 92-year-old member of Barwick in Bloom for painting the benches in Barwick. His hard work is greatly appreciated.

Sunday Artisan Markets Buffers Scholes

Markets will be held in Buffers car park on the following Sundays
10 am until 3pm
20th September, 18th October, 22nd November.
2027 24th January, 21st February, 21st March, 28th April

Please contact the Buffers if you are a crafter, artist, baker, bee keeper,
who would like to have a stall at the market.

Barwick Fair October



Opening October 22nd to 26th (excluding Sunday)
Jack Heaps Field

Scholes Annual Show 2026



The 2026 show was well attended and very successful. Special thanks to Deputy Lieutenant Major Stan Hardy who opened the show. Thank you to all the people who entered the show, over 80 entries. Thanks to all the people who helped and especially Scholes WI for the teas. Thanks to all the team who helped set up the show and those who work behind the scenes. The sponsors this year provided amazing raffles prizes, well done if you won.

Jane McCauley and Roger Mawson have stepped down from the Committee after 16 years of hard work.

New members are needed to help support the Annual Show if it is to continue. If you can spare an hour to help this would be appreciated. Please get in touch with Stella Walsh if you are interested in helping.

Trophy Winners 2026

Children's

Clementine Burn-Chandler, The Charles Ashby Trophy

Oleksandr Kozheurov, The Coronation Trophy

Olivia Phillips

Stanley Couch

Zara Indergaard, Decorated Pebble

Adults

Roger Gamble: Horticultural section, The Banksian Medal

Bill Haigh: Fruit and Veg, Challenge Shield and The Wilfred Senior Trophy,

Stella Walsh: Floral, The Diamond Jubilee Trophy

Judith Birdsall: Scholes WI Trophy

Sally Edward: Arts Class, The Bartle Trophy,

Paul Atkinson: Woodwork Class, Eric Vaux Pickard, Trophy

Libby Hartley: Baking, The Honore Trophy

Andrew Varley: Photography, The Blubell Cup,



Scholes Sports Pavilion off Belle Vue Avenue

The pavilion is available for hire and is suitable for small parties. Details can be found on the PC website or contact the clerk for details.

Hire includes use of the outdoor play area where there is room for a bouncy castle.



Half Price Hire Fees

September, October and November 2027



A full-service POST OFFICE

Held at the pavilion **Thursday 1pm till 3pm**

Post letters, parcels, get cash and stamps.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY IN THE PARISH

Sunday 8th November 2026



Major Stan Hardy, Deputy Lieutenant for West Yorkshire and Alan Stanley will lead the commemorations in the Parish with **Scholes Scouts** in the parades.

Alan Stanley will take the services of remembrance. The British Legion, Ward Councillors and the Parish Council will lay wreaths on behalf of the residents of the Parish.

Times of services and parades are below. Everyone is welcome as these events and you are encouraged to lay your own wreaths or place the small crosses at the memorials.

SCHOLES

09.15 Standards parade from Scholes Scout hut to St Phillip's Church

09.30 Church service at St Phillip's Church, Scholes.

After service walk to Scholes War Memorial

10.00 Act of Remembrance at Scholes War Memorial. Placing of wreaths.

BARWICK

10.55 Meet at Jack Heaps Field Barwick. Parade from Jack Heaps field to Barwick War Memorial.

11.00 Act of Remembrance at Barwick War Memorial

11.15 Church service at All Saints Church, Barwick-in-Elmet

Barwick and Scholes Branch Royal British Legion

The local British Legion currently meet bi-monthly at 7pm and alternate between the pubs in the villages. The meeting mid-October will be either in the New Inn or the Buffers. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for up-to-date information which will also be shared on both local village pages. New members welcome.

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