

# EYLHS Newsletter 48

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Newsletter of the East Yorkshire Local History Society



**Front cover:** Hedon Catholic Church, see page 10

## **Contributions**

Based in Hull it is not always easy to keep track of events in other parts of the Riding; news that members could contribute on their town or village should be sent to the editor.

Short articles, illustrated or unillustrated, news on libraries, archives, museums, societies or education, queries other people may be able to answer, etc. for inclusion in future newsletters should also be sent to the editor.

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# News from the Society

## Programme

As usual, the Society has arranged a full programme of lectures and excursions. Please support the events and bring along your friends.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you can please consider paying by Bank Transfer or Internet Banking as our bank now charges for cheques. However, if you have to pay by cheque please make all cheques payable to the East Yorkshire Local History Society. All cheques and booking slips should be sent to the Programme Coordinator.

### Programme Coordinator:

Pamela J Martin (Tel no 01482 442221; e-mail [pjmartin@pjmartin.karoo.co.uk](mailto:pjmartin@pjmartin.karoo.co.uk))

### Saturday 16th March 2024

East Riding College, Flemingate Centre, Armstrong Way, Beverley, HU17 OGH

2.00pm

AGM

Approx. 3.15pm

'Beverley's Timber Framed Buildings'

Talk and Presentation

Speaker: David Cook

David is a long standing member of the Yorkshire Vernacular Buildings Study Group (YVBSG) and former chairman. He is currently responsible for the Group Archives, most of which is in digital format. David has conducted extensive research for his recently published book (of the same title as above) over many years and he led

and organised two annual recording weekends in Beverley, assisted by YVBSG members.

Multi-Storey Car Park nearby with inexpensive parking fees; Council Car Park to the left of the Railway Station.

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

\*\*Own Transport

### Saturday 27th April 2024

East Riding College, Flemingate Centre, Armstrong Way, Beverley, HU17 OGH

2.00pm

'Meaux Abbey and its developments in the Hull valley and Holderness from its foundation in 1150 to its dissolution in 1539'

Talk and Presentation

Speaker: Mary Carrick

Mary is a member of the EYLHS Executive Committee and retired lecturer from the University of Hull.

Cost: £7 per person

Multi-Storey Car Park nearby with inexpensive parking fees; Council Car Park to the left of the Railway Station.

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### Friday 17th May 2024

2.00pm

Visit to Knedlington Old Hall, (near Howden)

Guided Tour by Phil Thomas

Knedlington Old Hall is a small East Yorkshire gentry house, built between 1649 and c.1660 for a locally prominent Puritan family on a very ancient site. It may be no coincidence that its construction neatly spanned the years of the English Commonwealth. Most unusually for a non-aristocratic house in the region, it is built in a high-status and expensive mixture of brick (then a relatively unfamiliar material) and limestone to an advanced square, double-pile plan, detailed with care and theatricality. A little later in the seventeenth century the interiors were enriched. At the same time, the extensive and unusual farmstead complex around the Hall began to take its present form and a new entrance gate was constructed.

In 1964 the Old Hall was ruthlessly 'modernised' in the inappropriate materials generally used at the time. The present owners have worked to undo almost all of these damaging changes in breathable materials, and to create a setting suitable for a prominent seventeenth century house. They are about to begin repairing and conserving the most significant outbuilding in the farmstead complex; a dovecote, stable and scullery probably built in the 1770s.

Meet at the House  
Cost: £8 per person

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

\*\*Own Transport

Directions for visitors

Knedlington Old Hall is in the hamlet of Knedlington, just one mile west of Howden in East Yorkshire. DN14 7EU

From the East:

Take the A614 towards Goole. Ignore the turnings to Howden, and at a mini-roundabout turn right onto the A63 towards Selby. Follow the A63 for one mile and at the first crossroads turn left towards Asselby and Barmby. You are now in Knedlington. The Old Hall is on the right in half a mile, at the far end of the hamlet. The drive is immediately before the house.

From the north:

Take the A19 south to Barlby Roundabout. Turn left (signposted M62 E, M18, Hull Howden A63) and follow the A63 for about 8 miles. Drive past the first turning for Howden, and the road will bear to the right. At the next small crossroads, turn right towards Asselby and Barmby. You are now in Knedlington. The Old Hall is on the right in half a mile, at the far end of the hamlet. The drive is immediately before the house.

Via the M62:

Leave the motorway at exit 37 for Howden. After the motorway slip-road, turn left onto the A614 at the next roundabout. In one mile turn right at the mini-roundabout onto the A63 towards Selby. Follow the A63 for another mile and at the first crossroads turn left towards Asselby and Barmby. You are now in Knedlington. The Old Hall is on the right in half a mile, at

the far end of the hamlet. The drive is immediately before the house.

**Friday 21st June 2024**

Day Visit to Malton

10.30pm

Guided Tour of Georgian Malton (Georgian Boom Time)

Guide: Andy Harvey (provided by Malton Museum)

This tour will last approx. 1.5 hours and is based in the town centre bringing the Georgian town to life and looking at how it developed into a prosperous market centre.

Meet outside the Malton Museum, 36 Yorkersgate, Malton YO17 7AB; Car parks (All Day)Wentworth Street and Water lane.

12.15pm

Buffet lunch at the Kingfisher Café, 9 Saville Street off Yorkersgate

2.00pm

Visit to Malton Museum and immediate surrounding area

Guide: Andy Harvey (and Malton Museum Team)

Meet at the Museum (approx finish time 4.00pm)

Cost: £29 per person

Max. No. 20 people

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

\*\*Own Transport

**Thursday 18th July 2024**

10.00am – 2.45pm

Historic Swanland - Visit

Organised by Swanland Heritage Centre Management Committee working group

Based at Swanland Village Hall (formerly the Old School) in the centre of the village behind the pond. This 'all-day' event will include small-group visits to the Swanland Heritage Centre (established in 2013 as a repository of the history of the village) and Christ Church by the pond, which has a history going back to 1693. A guided Heritage Walk (with an indoor virtual alternative in the event of wet weather) will be followed by an appealing buffet lunch, after which there will be a glimpse into 16th century Swanland through Geoffrey Collier's illustrated talk on The Haldenbys, the Stapletons and their Courts.

Meet at the Heritage Centre by the pond in the centre of Swanland

Cost:£18 per person

\*\*Own Transport

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

Car Parking on main road in village or in side roads.

**Friday 16th August 2024**

Visit to Scampston Hall and Walled Garden

1.30pm

Includes a Private Guided Tour of the House followed by entry to the Walled Garden for a self-led tour. The house tour lasts approx. 45 minutes and the rest of the afternoon can be spent at leisure in the garden, taking refreshments in the Café if required.

Meet in the Car Park near the entrance to the Garden and Café.

Cost £17.50 per person (Membership cards are not valid when visiting as a group including NT, EH & HH).

#### BOOKING ESSENTIAL

\*\*Own Transport

Currently owned by and home to Christopher & Miranda Legard, Scampston Hall was first built in the 1690s and passed to the Legard family in 1959. It is a Grade II listed Country House with serpentine park designed by Charles Bridgeman and Capability Brown.

Location Take the A64 from Malton travelling towards Scarborough and look for the Scampston sign after Rillington on the left. This road takes you to the car park, YO17 8NG

#### **Saturday 14th September 2024**

EYLHS Local History Book Fair

Venue: Hull Minster (formerly Holy Trinity Parish Church), 10 King St, Hull, HU1 2JJ

10.00am – 3.30pm

This year the Book Fair will form part of the annual Heritage Open Days (HODs) celebration on the last Saturday of the 10 day programme.

As in 2023, we are expecting around 30 tables will be on show from more than 20 exhibitors.

The event is open to the public and is FREE to attend.

Income from exhibitors, less expenses of table hire and printing costs, is donated to the Minster.

It is hoped many EYLHS members will attend and support the Society.

\*\*Own Transport

#### **Saturday 19th October 2024**

East Riding College, Flemingate Centre, Armstrong Way, Beverley, HU17 OGH  
2.00pm

'Revising Pevsner's North Riding: how the Buildings of England series is updated'

Talk and Presentation

Speaker: Dr Jane Grenville

Jane Grenville settled on Archaeology as a career in her early teens and did lots of digging. After her degree, she started research on churches and became fascinated with buildings as archaeology. This led to a stint on the Listed Buildings Re-Survey in the 1980s in North Yorkshire and various jobs in historic buildings recording and conservation. She joined the Archaeology Department at the

University of York in 1991 and there she developed both Buildings Archaeology and Heritage Management as postgraduate specialisms. After a period in management she retired in 2015 and returned to her listing patch and beyond to update Pevsner's magisterial volume. This lecture will explain how she did it.

Cost per person: £7

### BOOKING ESSENTIAL

\*\*Own Transport

Multi-Storey Car Park nearby with inexpensive parking fees. Council Car Park to the left of the Railway Station.

### Saturday 2nd November 2024

East Riding College, Flemingate Centre, Armstrong Way, Beverley, HU17 OGH  
2.00pm

'An 18th Century Tankard, a Hull Whaler and her Masters'

Talk and Presentation

Speaker: Mike Rymer

Discovered in the Castle Street Burial Ground. Did it have connections to a famous Hull whale ship owner? Does it depict the whaler Berry? Who owned it? Was it buried with one of her Masters? This talk takes you through the evidence to reach a tantalising conclusion! Mike Rymer is a local historian, tour guide and volunteer at Hull Minster.

Cost per person: £7

### BOOKING ESSENTIAL

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### Participation in events

As reported in previous years, it has not been possible to arrange group insurance for events. We therefore strongly recommend that members and their friends take out personal accident/loss insurance, or include this in their households policies. We would also stress the need for suitable clothing - in particular, sturdy footwear and waterproofs - for outdoor events.

### Please note

Please fill in each event slip fully as it makes it much easier to contact you if necessary. There is usually a waiting list for most of the Society's events. **If you book an event and then find you cannot attend, please inform the Programme Coordinator.** Please do

not transfer your booking to a relative or friend without first consulting the Programme Coordinator, whose telephone number can be found at the beginning of this section. Refunds will only be given for events costing over £5 Thank you.

Unfortunately, we have had to increase the cost of events due to inflation and the need to change our lecture venue. However, the prices, overall do represent value for money, especially the day events.

## **Subscriptions**

Subscriptions are now due, the rates are £15 for individual membership and £20 family / institutions / overseas.

Our bank, HSBC, has introduced charges for paying in cheques. To reduce our costs if you are able to pay by internet banking, bank transfer or standing order it would be appreciated. Our sort code is 401012 and account number 01058029.

If you do decide to pay by bank transfer in future could you please include your full name in the reference as it can occasionally be difficult to match the entry on our bank statement with a member.

If you wish to continue paying by cheque please send to David Bowes at, Manor Garth, Main Street, Ellerker, HU15 2DH.

## **Visit to Stamford Bridge**

On 19 August 2023, a hot day, members of the Society visited Stamford Bridge, the site of what was probably the most important battle in our part of the world. The purpose of our visit was to look at the Stamford Bridge Tapestry and to walk to the (conjectured) battlefield.

Our base for the day was the Old Railway Station and Stationmasters House. This is now the Old Station Club, which incorporates a small gallery - "Platform 66"- in which to display the tapestry. Starting with a welcome coffee and cake, we settled down to hear a brief account of the Battle of Stamford Bridge on 25 September 1066, when two men competed for the throne of England following the death of Edward the Confessor, They were Harald Sigurdsson (known later as Hardrada), King of Norway and Harold Godwinson, earl of Wessex. Hardrada and his men rowed their longships up the Number and the Ouse with their horses and weapons. With them was Earl Tostig Godwinson. Earl Harold was in York and was willing to negotiate. Hardrada and Tostig were over-confident but once the English had forded the River Derwent, a battle took place on the rising ground and Hardrada and Tostig were killed. We all know what happened later! Earl Harold sped back to the south coast and was defeated by the third contender for the throns Duke William of Normandy, at Hastings on 14 October.



Hastings is commemorated in the famous Bayeux Tapestry. Stamford Bridge now has its own tapestry to tell its own part of the story.

### **The Stamford Bridge Tapestry**

The tapestry was conceived by a group of local people in 2015, just before the 950th anniversary of the Battle of Hastings in 1066. It was designed by Chris Rock, a graphic and historical artist. It was inspired by the Bayeux Tapestry but is not a copy since it depicts the events in Stamford Bridge. There were about 24 volunteer stitchers, including women born in Australia, Zimbabwe and New Zealand, led by a professional embroiderer. Not all were very experienced.

The tapestry is embroidered on an off-white linen twill (costing over £100 per metre!) and uses 13 shades of high-quality wool. Bayeux stitch was used as a filler for large areas. The whole process seems to have been social and collaborative. The embroidery is set out on 12 main panels, each measuring 1.2 m. by 0.6 m. The panels were completed in 2021 - during "lockdown" the women embroidered at home. The tapestry is now displayed round the walls of "Platform 66", at eye level, where it can be studied closely.

The Battle

After an excellent buffet lunch, we set out on a guided walk along the old railway track and over a viaduct high above the Derwent (Wonderful views over the area). Then down to the river and into the village centre across THE BRIDGE. We paused at the

Battle Memorial of a basestone and obelisk on the steep slope where the Norwegians formed their shieldwall; there are plaques inscribed in English and Norwegian

"Slaget med Stamford bru ble utkjemret i disse trakter den 25 September 1066"

"Around here" - the area of the battlefield is uncertain but up the hill is Battleflats, where a large boulder in a little grassy field is the only marker. It is not easy to find - on the edge of a modern cul-de-sac of large houses. The Norwegian survivors were allowed by the victorious Earl Harold to flee this way to reach their boats at Riccall. Hardrada's body was taken back to Norway and Tostig's to York Minster.

The Stamford Tapestry is a beautiful piece of embroidery and well worth a visit. "Platform 66" is open on Tuesdays and Saturdays. We had a most enjoyable day thanks to Pam Martin's thorough preparations.

Joan Kemp

## **Visit to Bridlington Priory**

### **Church and Old Town**

What a great day this was. In the morning we were shown around the Bridlington Priory Church by Dr Stuart Harrison - no-one better to have. Going around the interior first, we learnt all about how the present church is all that remains of the old Bridlington

Priory with its complement of Canons. There was so much to see looking at the architecture and funeral monuments, which all told of days long gone and the importance and prosperity of the Priory in its prime. After looking inside we went around the outside and added details of remaining stonework and the foundations of the original Priory complex. This was again so interesting; especially to such as I who am basically a Mediaevalist with a particular interest in monastic foundations in the Holderness and Wolds area.

We had a super, buffet lunch at a café on High Street and then were shown around the buildings by Austen Redman. I was wearing a different hat then, that of the Yorkshire Vernacular Building Study Group, and loved seeing all the great 16th-19th century buildings crowded along High Street. The icing on the cake was the chance to see inside an 18th century building and look around the gardens. What a second treat.

Mary Carrick

## **Talk on the History and Practice of Bookbinding**

Saturday, 21st October saw me in the East Riding College in Beverley for a talk and demonstration by Colin Tatman. Again we had a speaker who is at the top of his field and his talk was just up my street, as I am a print-maker, as well as a local historian.

The Power Point demonstration covered the fascinating history of book-binding, from the first papyrus scrolls, as would be found in the Great Library of Alexandria, through to the most recent techniques in book-binding. There were amazing examples taken from books held in the British Museum, amongst other places; including the earliest coloured editions, as in the Lindisfarne Gospels, and later techniques to add illustrations in books.

Such a wealth of knowledge shown to us and finishing with a demonstration of how the leaves in books are sewn together. Altogether, a fascinating time was had.

Mary Carrick

## **A Visit to Hedon Catholic Church**

It was quite a humid afternoon when we met up on Friday 5th May with our guide Tony Hay in the back garden of Hedon Catholic church. We were given a very interesting talk on the origins of the building and further history. In 1801 Fr Joseph Swinburne arrived in Hedon and was a newly ordained priest from Ushaw College based temporarily at Crook Hall, Durham, and the church we see today was discretely built on Baxtergate and completed in 1803. A group of four priests had bought a plot of land on the west side of Baxtergate which included a house,



garden and outhouses from one Matthew Ellis, a weaver who had lived in what was to become the Presbytery with his wife and 8 daughters. The pre-emancipation church of St. Mary

& St. Helen was built unobtrusively in a simple brick design, behind the house, in a non-conformist style of chapel. The Parish grew from a 'secret' church established at Nuthill, between

Preston and Lelley. Sir Henry Constable supported priest Joseph Metcalfe in 1672 when there were a total of 214 people registered as Catholics in 5 parishes of Holderness, the highest number in any area of the East Riding. Laws were enforced but widely ignored if Catholics were discreet. James Watson, priest in 1733 was living with the Metcalfe family at Nuthill when new tenants, the Champneys, also Catholics, took over the farm. Fr. Watson was no longer welcome to stay because of his 'niceness' meaning he was too fussy! During 1778 the first Catholic Relief Act came into being. In 1849 Fr. Francis Trappes was in Hedon and witnessed an epidemic of Cholera killing 50 inhabitants between August and October of that year. He was replaced by Fr. Robert Tate, D.D. an academic, later becoming President of Ushaw College, who described Hedon as 'a rather out of the way spot'.

Inside the church were many interesting features including the window on the West side of the church depicting the meeting of Mary Magdalen and Jesus after the Resurrection and bearing the words 'Touch Me Not'. It was the only window to remain undamaged by the airship attack on the Methodist Church that had stood opposite! In 1897 the pictures around the altar apse depicting the twelve apostles were put in place and the fresco of The Crowning of Mary in Heaven in the half dome above were completed by Henry Immencamp of Munich who later also did much of the decoration of St Charles Borromeo Church in Hull

City Centre. We wandered up into the balcony which gave a lovely view of the inside the building.

Our delightful afternoon ended with a short walk to Hedon Museum where we were kindly provided with tea and biscuits, and we were able wander around to see the very interesting display boards.

Sally George

## **Yorkshire Heritage Summit**

Building on the success of last year's Yorkshire Heritage Summit in Saltaire, the bigger 2024 summit will take place in the historic city of Hull on Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th May.

The event brings together local and regional organisations concerned with promoting or protecting every aspect of Yorkshire's heritage, to showcase their work and the importance of Yorkshire's unique culture, history and landscape.

It comprises a public exhibition that's free to attend, a symposium with keynote speakers and presentation of the Harry Gratton History Prize as well as a number of heritage events including guided tours of Hull's historic centre and surrounding area.

The Yorkshire Heritage Summit is organised by The Yorkshire Society and is the brainchild of author

and environmental campaigner Colin Speakman. First held in 2022 it has quickly established itself as an important annual event for the largely voluntary heritage sector and thousands are expected to visit the event in 2024.

Colin explains “Heritage is as much about our future as about our past and Yorkshire has such a rich and fascinating heritage. The Yorkshire Society want to bring heritage organisations, their volunteers and members of the public together, to network, celebrate and promote their work with one united voice”.

EYLHS will be manning a stand in Hull Minster.

## New Books

Martin Craven *Where There's a Will - The Story of John Skilbeck of Hull and his family*, 2023. Skilbeck was a 19th century hop and seed merchant in High Street, Hull and also Sheriff of Hull in 1855. Copies are available from Martin Craven at £8 if collected in person (please call 01482 640081 or email [mrtncraven@gmail.com](mailto:mrtncraven@gmail.com) to arrange) or for £10.75 including postage and packing.

Martin Limon *Law and Order in East Yorkshire*, 2023. Available from Amazon, £15 paperback or £9 for Kindle edition.

## Local History Meetings & Events

All the events listed below are subject to cancellation or rearranging, please check with the organisation before turning up to any event.

*The Yorkshire Archaeological and Historical Society* maintain a comprehensive list of Yorkshire Archaeological and Local History Societies <https://www.yas.org.uk/Learn-more/More-Yorkshire-links>

*Hull and District Local History Research Group* meet weekly on Thursdays at 10:00am in Garden Village Clubhouse, Elm Avenue

19 February 2024 *Scarborough Archaeological and Historical Society* Catherine Warr, 'A Yorkshire Year, 365 Days of Folklore, Customs and Traditions', 7:30pm, Salvation Army Hall, Alma Parade

21 February 2024 *East Riding Archaeological Society*, 'Jim Leary and Elaine Jamieson, 'Excavations at Skipsea', 7:30pm, Wilberforce Building, Hull University

28 February 2024 *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Mike Rymer, 'The history of Netherhall, Sutton', 10:30am, £3

4 March 2024 *Scarborough Archaeological and Historical Society* Aleksandra McClain, 'Local churches in

the Anglo-Norman Landscape', 7:30pm, Salvation Army Hall, Alma Parade

6 March 2024 *Cottingham Local History Society*, Colin Cooper 'Ships Sail Right into the Heart of Hull', Cottingham Civic Hall, 7:45pm, members £2, nonmembers £3

6 March 2024 *Gresham College*, Ronald Hutton 'Ritual Nudity in History and Religion', 6:00pm, central London Venue tbc / Online/ Watch Later [gres.hm/ritual-nudity](https://www.gresham.ac.uk/ritual-nudity)

9 March 2024 *Scarborough & District Civic Society*, Alan Spawforth, 'Town Planning', Woodend, The Crescent, 10:30am

11 March 2024 *Hull Civic Society*, Colin Cooper, 'Holderness Road Revisited', Holiday Inn Express, Ferensway, 7:30pm

12 March 2024 *Hedon & District Local History Society*, Sally George, 'Walking the River Humber', Hedon Methodist Church, 2:00pm

14 March 2024 *Beverley Civic Society* Jane Bowen, 'Emigration to America', 7:30pm St Mary's Church

18 March 2024 *Scarborough Archaeological and Historical Society* 'A celebration of the work of local historian Dr Jack Binns', 7:30pm, Salvation Army Hall, Alma Parade

21 March 2024 *Hessle Local History Society*, Michele Beadle, 'Hull's Little

Theatre and early years of the New Theatre', Town Hall, South St, 7:15pm,

27 March 2024 *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Malcolm Wells, 'Hull Trams 1875-1945', 10:30am, £3

9 April 2024 *Hedon & District Local History Society*, Sam Bartle, 'Exploring the "What Was There" app', Hedon Methodist Church, 2:00pm

13 April 2024 *Scarborough & District Civic Society*, Andrew Clay, 'Life on the Crescent' Woodend, The Crescent, 10:30am

18 April 2024 *Hessle Local History Society*, Michael Free, 'Northgate', Town Hall, South St, 7:15pm,

22 April 2024 *Scarborough Archaeological and Historical Society* Kim and James Hodgson, 'When the American War of Independence came to the Yorkshire Coast', 7:30pm, Salvation Army Hall, Alma Parade

24 April 2024 *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Malcolm Sharman, 'Juxtaposition of Art in Hull', 10:30am, £3

24 April 2024 *Gresham College*, Ronald Hutton 'The Western Magical Tradition'. 6:00pm, central London Venue tbc / Online/ Watch Later [gres.hm/western-magic](https://www.gresham.ac.uk/western-magic)

10-12 May 2024 *Yorkshire Vernacular Buildings Study Group* Annual Recording Conference to be held in Bridlington,

for details see <https://www.yvbsg.org.uk/events.html>

11 May 2024 *Scarborough & District Civic Society*, Adrian Riley of Electric Angel design studio,, Woodend, The Crescent, 10:30am

11 May 2014 *The Yorkshire Society*, Yorkshire Heritage Summit, Hull Minster

16 May 2024 *Hessle Local History Society*, Alex Ombler, 'The Country Park and the Whiting Mill', Town Hall, South St, 7:15pm,

29 May 2024 *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Mike Nicholson, 'Lost Hull Railway Stations', 10:30am, £3

5 June 2024 *Gresham College*, Ronald Hutton 'Witch-Hunting in European and World History', 6:00pm, central London Venue tbc / Online/ Watch Later [gres.hm/witches-europe](https://www.gresham.ac.uk/watch-later/gresham-witches-europe)

8 June 2024 *Scarborough & District Civic Society*, Calum MacDonald, 'Florence Balgarnie, an early spokesperson for Women's Suffrage', Woodend, The Crescent, 10:30am

20 June 2024 *Hessle Local History Society*, Richard Clarke, 'The early history of Hull's municipal parks', Town Hall, South St, 7:15pm,

26 June 2024 *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Rob Haywood, 'The Sam Allon photographic collection', 10:30am, £3

18 July 2024 *Hessle Local History Society*, Paul Leaver, 'A virtual tour of the Hull History Centre', Town Hall, South St, 7:15pm,

31 July 2024 *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Hilary Byers, 'The Avenues Centre', 10:30am, £3

19 September 2024 *Hessle Local History Society*, Michael Free, Eve Johansson and Ian Wilkinson, 'Hessle 1900-1952', Town Hall, South St, 7:15pm,

17 October 2024 *Hessle Local History Society*, Michael Free, 'Recent finds at and around Hull Minster, Town Hall, South St, 7:15pm,

30 October 2024 *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Mark Richmond, 'Hull Victoria Pier', 10:30am, £3

21 November 2024 *Hessle Local History Society*, AGM followed by Paul Schofield, 'Hooray for Hullywood', Town Hall, South St, 7:15pm,

# **EAST YORKSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY**

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Notice of the 71th AGM

16th March 2023 at 2.00pm

East Riding College, Flemingate Centre , Beverley

## **AGENDA**

1 Apologies for absence

2 Minutes of the 70th Annual General Meeting

3 Presentation of the Annual Report for the year ended  
31st December 2023

4 Presentation of the Financial Accounts for the year ended  
31st December 2023

5. Election of Officers

(a) President

(b) Executive Committee

6 Members Forum and any other business.



## EAST YORKSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the 70th Annual General Meeting, held on Saturday 25th March 2023  
at East Riding College  
Flemingate  
BEVERLEY

**Present:** Arthur Credland, Robert Barnard, Pamela Martin, Sandra Dews and other members of the Executive Committee, members and guests.

**Apologies:** David Bowes, Helen Good, Mary Carrick, Rita Steadman, Jennifer Briody, Sylvia Gallagher, Tom & Judi Bangs and Jane Payne.

**Chair:** Arthur G Credland took the chair.

**Minutes of the 69th Annual General Meeting** held on Saturday 12th March 2022 accepted as a true record.  
Proposed by Michael Rymer and seconded by Wendy Loncaster.

**Annual Report:** The Chairman's annual report as published in Newsletter 46, acceptance proposed by Professor Roger Lewis and seconded by Geoff Collier.

**Financial Accounts:** Treasurer Robert Barnard reported that accounts are getting back to normal after COVID but postage keeps going up - to be covered in AOB. £100 donated to the Victoria Avenue Fountain Fund.

Book Sales - eBay and PayPal used to be the same company but have now split up so, now showing £00.00 on accounts.

A heavy loss was made due to the printing of the Journal Publication. The £860 grant from Reckitts helped towards this cost of printing.

Proposed by Professor Roger Lewis and seconded by Dr Joan Kemp.

**President:** - Sir Ian Macdonald of Sleat has agreed to continue as President.

**Vice-President:** - David Neave has agreed to continue as Vice-President.

### **Election of Officers and Executive Committee**

Chairman, A G Credland; Secretary Sandra Dews, Programme Secretary Pamela Martin; Treasurer Robert Barnard; Membership Secretary David Bowes; Mike Rymer; Helen Good; Mary Carrick; Sue Wade; Dr Joan Kemp; Ann Normington and Hannah Stamp (representing the East Yorkshire Archives) elected en bloc.  
Proposed by Wendy Loncaster and seconded by Margaret Oliver.

## **AOB**

Programme Secretary Pamela Martin thanked everyone for attending the meeting and apologized for the slight problems with the technology, which were resolved quite quickly by College staff. Pamela Martin also thanked everyone for their support last year and reported a good response to this year's visits programme, although there are a couple of excursions / lectures that still have availability. Pamela Martin, especially, thanked Michael Rymer for his contribution to the events programme, notably the Blaydes House visit.

Treasurer Robert Barnard reiterated concern about the soaring postage costs (especially the heavy journal that was published recently). It was suggested at the last Executive Committee meeting that an increase to the membership subscription for American universities be raised from £20 to £40. Proposed by Professor Roger Lewis and seconded by Geoff Collier.

Chairman Arthur Credland asked if there were any other questions or comments. Elaine Moll reported that Ian Wright, who was an Honorary Life member, is now deceased.

The Chairman then adjourned the meeting for tea and biscuits.

Following refreshments Pamela Martin introduced Dr Kate Giles of York University, who gave an illuminating talk and presentation on the medieval wall paintings of St Peter & St Paul Church, Pickering.

Chairman Arthur Credland concluded the meeting by thanking Dr Kate Giles for her very interesting talk and asked if anyone had any question. There were some thought provoking comments and questions from quite a few members. Professor Roger Lewis again thanked our guest speaker for a fascinating lecture.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Book Fair held at the Hull Minster in September last year was a great success and stall holders and visitors were delighted to see old familiar faces again after all the restrictions caused by the pandemic. Almost all of those who manned a table to represent their society or promote a local history publication have signed up for this year too.

The ongoing activities rely heavily on the enthusiasm and commitment of our committee members, who deserve the thanks of all our members, as they continue to put together our programme of visits and events, prepare our publications and look after our finances.

Members continue to send interesting and varied contributions for the Journal and our special publications series, and it was a great pleasure that the British Association for Local History has made one of four awards for 2024 to Ray Goulder for his 'Lost ponds of East Yorkshire.' There was also a glowing review of the chairman's Zeppelin publication in the BALH journal.

2024 will not be an easy time for researchers, the archives at the Treasure House, Beverley are not available till the end of this year as a result of a major reorganization of public services. In Hull the History Centre is only open three days a week and the Hull reference library has, post Covid, lost the last of its established staff with their unrivalled knowledge of the reference collections. An emphasis on using the library to support the local business community, which is laudable, has unfortunately resulted in the disappearance of many useful works from the open shelf, and the printed version of the Dictionary of National Biography has been discarded!

Keep supporting the Society, encourage others to join, and all best wishes for the New Year

Arthur G. Credland MBE, FSA  
Chairman

## The East Yorkshire Local History Society

### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

For the year ending 31 December 2023

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
Members' Subscriptions	2,879.00	32,935.00
Bank Interest	227.42	62.36
Summer Events	1,532.50	1,544.00
Book Fair	590.00	
Book Sales	382.76	363.29
Publication Grants	0.00	860.00
Donations	6,024.00	274.00
Gift Aid	366.25	0.00
	12,001.93	6,038.65
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Bank Charges	79.56	73.65
Summer Events	1,387.76	1,591.01
Book Fair	590.00	
Postage/Stationery	1,463.80	1,446.60
Committee Meeting Room Hire	48.00	
Committee Members Expenses	145.26	160.45
MacMahon Fund	0.00	100.00
Printing Costs	2,894.12	4,286.55
Insurance/Subsription to BALH	75.00	75.00
Subscription Refunds	60.00	15.00
Computer equipment	191.60	0.00
	6,935.10	7,748.26
Surplus/(Deficit)	<b>5,066.83</b>	<b>(1,709.61)</b>
<b>BALANCE SHEET</b>		
As at 31 December 2023		
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash at Bank	1,857.75	3,391.35
Building Society Deposit	20,111.62	13,511.20
	<b>21,969.37</b>	<b>16,902.54</b>

## **OFFICERS FOR 2023**

President: Sir Ian Macdonald of Sleat, Bart, FRICS, MRSH

Vice-Presidents:	Dr. D. J. R. Neave
Chairman:	Mr. A. Credland
Hon. Secretary:	Ms S Dews
Hon. Treasurer:	Mr. R. Barnard
Hon. Journal Editors:	Mr. A. Credland Mr. R. Barnard
Hon. Newsletter Editor:	Mr. R. Barnard
Hon. Membership Secretary:	Mr D. Bowes
Hon. Programme Secretary:	Miss P. Martin

Executive Committee Members for 2021

+ Member willing to be re-elected

- + Mr. R. Barnard
- + Mr D. Bowes
- + Miss M Carrick
- + Mr. A. Credland
- + Ms S Dews
- + Miss H Good
- + Dr J Kemp
- + Miss P. Martin
- + Mr M Rymer
- + Mrs S Wade
- + Mrs A Normington
- + Miss H Stamp (representative of ERYC)