

PONTEFRACT VOICE

December 2020









Pontefract Civic Society wishes all members and readers a safe, merry Christmas and a happy, more prosperous new year in 2021.

A Jolly Christmas gets pupils vote in shop window competition



Darren Cox and Alison Frankland, co-owners of Jolly's of Pontefract are photographed receiving the winner's certificate.



Jolly's Cafe Christmas window

We were recently pleased and proud to announce that Jolly's Café on Ropergate unanimously scoped 1st place in this year's Christmas shop windows competition judged by eight pupils from six schools who were guided around the town centre for an hour in a socially distanced manner on Fri 11th December.

Our Chair, Paul Cartwright, said that scoring was very tight at the top, from the decorations presented by 25 businesses which had been selected by us for the pupils to judge. The top 10 had additional scrutiny, and the top three were selected who each got a framed certificates.

Darren Cox and Alison Frankland, co-owners of Jolly's of Pontefract are photographed receiving the winner's certificate. Darren said, "Winning was a lovely surprise as we did the window display to advertise we were open for takeaways, and to make customers aware I'd been busy in lockdown baking Christmas cakes and boozy mince pies".

Alison went on to say, "Our Christmas cakes are still available, mince pies and homemade cakes are baked daily, and we are hoping to be opening the cafe fully on 19th December until Christmas Eve. After which, we will carry on in the New Year keeping Pontefract wellfed with homemade goodies and a warm friendly welcome".

Hark Interiors on Ropergate was a very worthy runner up, with Jackie's Florist on Gillygate coming in third place. Others which sparkled included Hollywood Nails, The Hair Lounge, Peter Jones, Maison de Beauté, The Shoe Room, Ego Hairstyling, and Flowerworks.



Hark Interiors in second place.



Jackie's Florist in third place.

Paul Cartwright, Civic Society Chair who coordinated the competition said, "We all know this has been a very tough year for local businesses, and though some displays may have suffered, we were very happy to see around 40 businesses decorated to various degrees, which enabled pupils from St. Giles CofE Academy, and five schools within Pontefract Academies Trust to assess a significant number of Christmas themed displays".

Richard Grace, St. Giles CofE Head said, "For Head Boy, Stefan, and Head Girl, Peyton, this was their first role, and they had a fantastic morning, alongside the children from Pontefract Academies Trust".

Pontefract Academies Trust pupils were recruited through Abi Leung, marketing manager, who said, "What an exciting morning some of our children had! Thank you to Pontefract Civic Society for the opportunity". Representatives came from De Lacy School, Halfpenny Lane School, Orchard Head School, Carleton Park School, and Larks Hill School.



Pupil judges photographed outside the Town Hall.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Through our work with Wakefield Council, we were involved in the Light Up of the Town Hall, St Giles Church and Buttercross. We've had a quarterly Pontefract Steering Group meeting with Cllr Darren Byford, Tom Standard and other officers, and meetings for the Pontefract Delivery Group, and to receive a presentation on the Pontefract Masterplan.

There have also been a considerable number of significant online meetings, conferences and webinars in which we've participated:

- Transport for the North Annual Conference
- Northern Rail Station Adopters & Friends Groups' Annual Conference
- Railfuture (Y&H)
- YHACS Exec Committee
- Civic Voice Regional Forum
- A series of Civic Voice webinars on Modern Methods of Meaningful Participation
- Civic Voice Instagram & Twitter case studies from member organisations & partners
- WMDC Active & Inspired Steering Group
- The Voice of the Authority on subjects such as Building Better Homes, and a Greenprint for Economic Recovery & Renewal

During this period, we were invited by Brian Berry of Ackworth & Pontefract RBL to participate in a stripped back Remembrance Sunday service, with our wreath being laid by Stanley Cook, one of our members, accompanied by me. The relationship with the

RBL is going from strength to strength, and we'll look forward to that developing further in 2021.

We've worked with St Giles CofE Academy, and Larks Hill School (via Pontefract Academies Trust) to create two additional Christmas banners for the town's tree at the town hall, and those images were also printed and supplied to Pinderfields Hospital. Those schools plus De Lacy, Carleton Park, Orchard Head, and Halfpenny Lan School, all sent representatives to judge our Christmas Shop Window Competition, which is reported elsewhere in this issue.

Since the last issue of Pontefract Voice, we've had 2 meetings on Zoom for the Executive, Planning Group, Heritage Group, Rail Group, and 1 meeting of our Highways Group, and 1 meeting of our Citizenship Group.

We have also not neglected the business community in the past two months, having partnered with the Pontefract & Castleford Express on their business campaigns, where we have commented in their articles and we've also facilitated photoshoots with some businesses.

My comment to the Express on 3 Dec

"However West Yorkshire moves through different phases of lockdown and government imposed tiers, we would encourage readers to 'shop local'. The wealth of independent family run businesses are the life-blood of the high street, and we are very lucky to have them, when other towns and cities have streets upon streets of closed shops. Over recent years, Pontefract has bucked the trend, and has remained generally a healthy commercial centre for the east of the district. So, whether it's a business that's fully open, one doing click & collect, or one restricted to a takeaway service, when doing your day to day shopping or Christmas preparation, we would implore you to think 'Pontefract first'. These business owners need your support even more, and in return, they will remain in our community"

My comment to the Express on 10 Dec

"At the weekend, a moderate number of shoppers ventured to the market and town centre in Pontefract to support our local independent retail sector on Small Business Saturday, though survival isn't for just one day!"

"Although this is a national, in fact, an international campaign in some countries, for our businesses to survive and thrive, they need customers to be brave as well as safe, ensuring our town centre continues to prosper as a hub of the community of the towns and villages in the east of the district. It's so easy to go to the internet buying from international websites and the large brands, however, local people need to play their part in slowing the juggernaut that is online shopping".

On behalf of the board, I'd like to wish you all a safe and peaceful Christmas, and I'll forward to a more normal year in 2021 where we can welcome many of you in person to events in the town hall and other locations, once we are given the greenlight from the government.

Paul Cartwright

Chairman of Pontefract Civic Society





A message from our Patron

I want to thank you, Paul, and all members of Pontefract Civic Society for all you have done in this difficult year of 2020 in promoting Pontefract as a place to live, work and enjoy, even in this most difficult of times.

My best Seasonal Greetings.

Michael Sayles Fox DL Patron - Pontefract Civic Society



COMMITTEE REPORTS

Citizenship Group

Well, what a response that was!

You will recall that in the last issue, I spoke about the Decoration Squad and that they are a group of like-minded local people, who all want to promote and see Pontefract prosper. Most, though not all, are members of the civic society, but they all are involved in local groups, businesses or just local folks. Yet, they share a common pride in Pontefract.

Well they really did top the decorations this time, working with our Citizenship Group which is responsible for our Junior Civic Society. They put out an appeal for plastic bottle bottoms and the community response was fantastic with over 1,500 bottle bottoms, these were painted to create the fantastic poppy display on the Town Hall and Valley Road roundabout for Remembrance. Contributions came from FAB, Featherstone Brownies & Guides, St Giles CofE Academy, De Lacy School (Pontefract Academies Trust), Pontefract Lionesses, and other local individuals. This truly was a fantastic example of our community coming together. The Decoration Squad now have bigger and better plans for a series of different displays throughout 2021. This is an ambitious task as they estimate that 9,000 bottle bottoms will be required, so start saving now and details will be announced when these will be required and which colours we'd like to see for the different themed events.



We are extremely proud to have been approached by The Royal British Legion Ackworth & Pontefract branch to help celebrate the 100th anniversary of the formation of the RBL. We are hopeful that we will be able to revive our 75th Anniversary VE Day plans, to mark this occasion, working within whatever social distancing restrictions may be in place. The actual date we've been given by the RBL is 15th May, and we are cautiously optimistic that we can mark both VE Day and the RBL Centenary in a memorable event for our town and surrounding area.



The 2021 collaboration calendar with Rachael List, the Prince of Wales Hospice and the civic society has been a tremendous success with nearly all stock being sold. This will have raised a significant amount of much needed funds for the hospice. We will announce the total figure in the New Year when all sales are completed.

It is also possible that in the future we'll be looking for new projects, working in partnership with local community groups, artists and businesses, and the hospice will also be in our mind.

Phil Cook

Citizenship Group Coordinator

Talk & Tours Group

The Talks season ended in November with Eric Jackson's The Gunpowder Plot at the second attempt due to technical issues on the planned evening. Eric provided us with many extra details and facts about this well-known tale.

All next year's talks are booked up to July as online events, though we will revert to the live format at Pontefract Town Hall when it is safe to do so.

2021 Talks

All talks will be delivered online via Zoom until further notice.

Date	Talk	Speaker
Tuesday 12th January	Finding Pontefract's Broken Bridge	Eric Houlder
Tuesday 9th February	The Pontefract Murders	Eric Jackson
Tuesday 9th March	The History of Rowntree's	Karen Adams
Tuesday 13th April	Votes for Women	Eric Jackson
Tuesday 11th May	The Many behind the Few	David Skillen
Tuesday 8th June	Medieval Leeds	Professor Joyce Hill
Tuesday 13th July	Yorkshire Air Ambulance	Helen Berriman
Tuesday 14th September	Mrs Fawcett's Handbag (a suffragettes Tale)	Sharron Garner
Tuesday 12th October	A Day in the life of a Yorkshire Miner	Dave Hogg
Tuesday 9th November	The Barnbow Lasses	Carole Smithies

Dave Hogg

Talks & Tours Group Coordinator

Rail Group

This has been quite a busy period for us. We attended the Railfuture (Yorkshire & Humber) meeting, and the Northern Rail Community Rail meeting. Northern where very proud to tell us they had recently recruited 900 new drivers. A lengthy video was shown of the achievements of many well established Station Friends Groups, which has given us ideas to try in the future.

The December timetable has re-instated the Sunday "Service" to York, but alas the first train is still at an unusable time. We are hoping to get help from Yvette Cooper MP to help pressure the relevant people into giving us a useable Sunday service.

Letters have been written by Peter Cookson to West Yorkshire Combined Authority and Railfuture concerning better services to Goole and new services to Doncaster. Peter received a reply from Network Rail stating that paths are available for a service to Doncaster via Askern. We also offered our full support to East Midlands Rail for potential extra weekend services between Sheffield to York, calling at Baghill.

Grand Central is resuming services after the second lockdown.

Our group meetings are still on Zoom.

We also attended the annual Transport for the North Conference (online) on 14 December.

Dave Hogg

Rail Group Coordinator

Addendum to the Rail Group report from our President, and lifelong rail campaigner, Peter Cookson

Here's a few highlights from various separate pieces of correspondence between Peter and train operating companies, West Yorkshire Combines Authority, and a collection of northern MPs.

Having identified a clear lack of connectivity West Yorkshire Lincolnshire. Peter has worked on a potential service route of Leeds - Pontefract - (Askern) -Thorne - Scunthorpe - Grimsby/Cleethorpes.; this has reached the attention of N. Lincs County Council who have now organised a meeting with rail campaign groups along the route to which Peter has been invited. He has also written to all MPs along the route. The route between Leeds and Pontefract could be either via Wakefield or Castleford and would probably be dependent on the availability of paths into Leeds, but in either case would serve a substantial population. This could require the cooperation between Northern Rail and East Midlands Railway on the back of the Government's desire to inter-franchise services.

East Midlands Railway have also acknowledged our support for a potential future service to run through Sheffield – Pontefract Baghill – York, which is under consideration.

Peter has also informally spoken to Yvette Cooper MP in relation to our broader campaign agenda, as well as the need for cross-boundary cooperation in our local authorities in West Yorkshire and South Yorkshire, which requires the support of MPs of all colours, if the Government is to achieve its ambition of 'Levelling Up', as opposed to paying lip service to the north!

2021 EVENTS CALENDAR

Date	Event	
TBC	Pontefract Civic Society Annual General Meeting	
Sat 13 Mar	Hospice Ball	
Sat 27 Mar	Community Showcase	
Fri 23 Apr	St George's Day	
Sat 8 May	VE Day Concert	
Sun 13 Jun	Hospice Garden Party	
Sat 26 Jun	National Armed Forces Day (local date may differ)	
Sat 3 / Sun 4 Jul	Pontefract Liquorice Festival (date not approved yet)	
Sat 10 Jul	Midnight Memory Walk	
Sun 1 Aug	Yorkshire Day	
Sat 14 Aug	Ponte Dance	
Sun 15 Aug	VJ Day	
Sat 21 Aug	Friarwood Festival	
Fri 10 - Sun 19 Sept	Heritage Open Days	
Sun 12 Sept	Great North Run	
Thurs 11 Nov	Armistice Day	
Sun 14 Nov	Remembrance Sunday	
TBC	Christmas event	

JUNIOR CIVIC SOCIETY

Carleton High School Awarded Most Improved School in North of England

Carleton High School in Pontefract, part of Pontefract Academies Trust, has been hailed as the most improved school in the North of England, according to the Fairer Secondary Schools Index league tables, published by the Northern Powerhouse Partnership

The index ranks schools on a contextual progress score that takes pupils' backgrounds into account. Even prior to this award, Carleton High School has been making history with their phenomenal progress, having moved from special measures to Ofsted good in just twelve months, which in the education sector is very rare.

Chief Executive Officer of Pontefract Academies Trust, Julian Appleyard OBE said: "This is incredibly pleasing and is exactly what we set out to achieve. Carleton High School is going from strength to strength and is one of the most improved schools in the country for progress 8. To achieve most improved school in the North of England is just the icing on the cake and is testament to the hard work, dedication and persistence of our students, parents and staff."

Jo Cross, Headteacher at Carleton High School said: "We're all so proud to hear this news. We've all worked very hard and our can do attitude and achievement focused culture is what's brought us to where we are today.

Our students believe in themselves and we believe in them which is so important. There isn't a ceiling as to what our young people can achieve and we'll continue with our unwavering focus to bring all our students the first class education that they deserve."

The Northern Powerhouse Partnership is chaired by George Osborne and has a business-led Board which features influential business figures from across the North of England. Prominent city leaders across the region are also represented on the Board, in addition to Jim O'Neill, former Commercial Secretary to the Treasury, and John Cridland, Chair of Transport for the North (TfN). NPP is non-political and will maintain an all-party approach. For more information or to see the report please visit:

http://www.northernpowerhousepartnership.co.uk/

Pontefract Academies Trust is a multiacademy trust educating around 3,700 young people in Pontefract. For more information about Pontefract Academies Trust please visit:

https://www.pontefractacademiestrust.org. uk/



With thanks to The Yorkshire Post.

Larks Hill Junior & Infant School Brighten up Pinderfields Hospital in Wakefield Trust

Primary school children in Pontefract have been hard at work to create bright and uplifting paintings to be displayed in Pinderfields Hospital in Wakefield with the aim of bringing a smile to patients during the festive season.

The children involved in the project are in year 6 at Larks Hill Junior & Infant School, part of Pontefract Academies Trust in Pontefract. The project is in partnership with the Pontefract Civic Society and the children's drawings will also be used on Christmas banners in Pontefract town centre.

Headteacher at Larks Hill Junior & Infant School, Ian Shuttleworth, said: "It is such an honour for all the children to have their artwork displayed across the hospital in Wakefield and in Pontefract town centre. We're hoping that the children's friends and family can come and enjoy looking at their creations. The children are very creative and when they heard that their work was going to bring Christmas cheer to people who may be alone at Christmas and in hospital it really did give them a wonderful sense of pride."







Pontefract Primary Schools Light up a Life for The Prince of Wales Hospice

Children from six schools in Pontefract have recorded themselves singing a Christmas song and message to be played as part of The Prince of Wales Hospice in Pontefract, Light up a Life event on Thursday 10th December at 7pm.

Light up a Life helps families across the UK to dedicate a message in memory of a loved one by lighting a candle, hanging a message on a tree and recording the name of someone special in a book of remembrance or reading it aloud. The services are online this year but are open to anyone and not just people whose loved one was cared for by the hospice.

The children who recorded songs are from Halfpenny Lane Junior, Infant & Nursery School, Larks Hill Junior & Infant School, Orchard Head Junior, Infant and Nursery School, Carleton Park Junior & Infant School, The King's School and Carleton High School and they're all part of Pontefract Academies Trust.

Rebecca Taylor, Community and Partnership Fundraiser at The Prince of Wales Hospice said: "It really is so wonderful to have the support of Pontefract Academies Trust and I'm sure the beautiful singing from all the children will make our service incredibly moving and memorable for us all. I also hear that Larks Hill Junior & Infant School children are busy collecting coins and have put star jars in their classrooms. They're hoping to fill them up with loose change throughout the month and hand them over in time for Christmas which is

so generous of them."

For more information about the Light up a Life service please visit:

https://www.pwh.org.uk/support-us/waystogive/light-up-a-life



Christmas Cheer Comes to Carleton High School

Staff, students and teachers from Carleton High School in Pontefract are getting into the Christmas spirit as they get ready to don their Christmas hats and race around the school grounds to raise money for The Prince of Wales Hospice in Pontefract.

The school community are hoping to raise more than £1000 by doing this charity event on the 15th December and on the final day of term they will host their annual "Carleton Christmas Day". The students are all very excited as a lot of planning and preparation has gone in to make each day as fun and memorable as possible as a thank you for their hard work and dedication during this difficult time.

The Carleton Christmas Day will start off with a present prize draw in all form rooms, games such as what's your elf name and all students will be given a festive face mask. The whole school will then be treated to a scrumptious festive feast at lunch time with all the trimmings, crackers included. The senior leadership team at Carleton will be awarding on the spot prizes for good work throughout the day and making surprise visits into classrooms. The day will end with the much anticipated Quiz of the year hosted by the aptly named Mr Snowdon.

Headteacher at Carleton High School, Jo Cross said: "It's been such a challenging year for everyone especially the charity sector which has been hit hard by lockdown. We're so pleased to be able to show our support and come together as a school community and raise as much money as we possibly can while having fun at the same time. We're all so excited about the santa dash and Carleton Christmas Day and we hope that everyone will dig deep and support us as much as they possibly can."



St Giles CofE Academy









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OTHER SOCIETY REPORTS



Pontefract Art Club

Pontefract Art Club have been very busy raising money for our local Prince of Wales Hospice. So far since the summer we have, through sales of cards and paintings raised over £750. The cards, both greeting cards and Christmas cards, are on sale at Michelle's Flowers in Baghill Lane, Pontefract. We are certainly going to continue this venture as it's an excellent way for all of us to support the Hospice.

The Art Club has plans to reopen next year, but till then we will continue to paint and show what we do on social media. If you want to know more, email:

pontefractart@yahoo.com.

Rhona Chrichton Secretary and Treasurer











The Benefice of Pontefract Parish of St Giles with St Mary's



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Public Services will be additionally live streamed on <u>Facebook</u>: 10.15am Sunday, 20th December, 9.30am Wednesday, 23rd December, 11.00pm Thursday, 24th December, 10.15am Friday, 25th December and 10.15am Sunday, 27th December.

Weekly online Compline - 8.00pm on Thursdays with Jill Clapham, trainee Reader. Please note, there will be no Compline on Thursday, 24th December or 31st December 2020.

SUNDAY, 20th DECEMBER 2020 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST GILES WITH ST MARY'S 2020

Congregational singing is still not permitted, social distancing, along with the wearing of masks throughout acts of worship and during private prayer will be required.

Please note ** means you will need to book in order to attend the service. Tickets will be issued for entry. They can be collected from reception when church is open, emailed beforehand or picked up 'on the door' for the service in question.

SATURDAY 19TH DECEMBER 11.00-12.00PM

Members of **St Giles** Choir will sing much loved carol favourites: 'pop-in' to listen: 11.00-11.10am / 11.15-11.25am / 11.30-11.40am / 11.45-11.55am.

SUNDAY 20TH DECEMBER (ADVENT 4) PUBLIC WORSHIP

10.15am: Mass at St Giles (also livestreamed)

4.00pm: St Giles 'Readings and Music for Christmas' (a shortened Carol Service)

** BOOKING NEEDED (not livestreamed)

MONDAY 21ST DECEMBER

7.00pm: Traditional Carol Service (livestreamed only).

WEDNESDAY 23RD DECEMBER: PUBLIC WORSHIP

9.30am: Mid-week Mass (also livestreamed)

CHRISTMAS EVE PUBLIC WORSHIP: THURSDAY 24TH DECEMBER:

4.30pm: **St Giles**: Family Service on Christmas Eve ** **BOOKING NEEDED**. Children are welcome to dress up in nativity clothes, but must stay seated in family bubbles.

5.00pm: St Mary's: First Mass of Christmas

11.00 pm: St Giles: Mass on Christmas Night (also livestreamed) ** BOOKING NEEDED Continued over...

TIER 3—VERY HIGH ALERT, WAKEFIELD AREA INCLUDING PONTEFRACT

Please remember, places of worship remain open but you must not socialise with people from outside of your household or support bubble while you are in church, unless a legal exemption applies. Once seated, please don't leave your seat to greet others.

Donations & Bequests

Have you thought of making a donation to Pontefract Civic Society during your lifetime, or leaving us some money in your will?

Pontefract Voice and our Annual Reports show the tremendous work the society and our members are doing to make Pontefract a better place. To continue our important work at its present level, or in fact expand it, then additional resources are always beneficial, especially for new projects.

The civic society is both independent and non-political. As the town's 'watchdog' for the built environment, highways, rail, planning, architecture, heritage, events, business, and public amenities, we can speak on behalf of those who live, work, are educated here, or visit Pontefract, without fear or favour.

We would be absolutely delighted if you would make a donation or a bequest. Both the Chair and Vice Chair are available if you wish to discuss this in more detail.

Membership

As per our constitution, all memberships expire on 31 December, and we hope you will register your 2021 membership, now, via or website. If you wish to pay by cash or cheque, that's not a problem.

Also tell your friends, and for the first new member you recruit, we'll give you £5 back!

For more information on becoming a member, please visit:

http://www.pontefractcivicsociety.org.uk/shop

Business members note: Our website can't accommodate the process for the discounted rate, so please talk to us before processing a renewal, and if you require an invoice, that's not a problem.

Individual Member	£15
Joint Members (same address)	£20
Bronze Business Member	£22.50 / £45 inc. donation
Silver Business Member	£47.50 / £95 inc. donation
Gold Business Member	£97.50 / £195 inc. donation
Community Group Member	£20
Honorary Membership	No fee
Junior Civic Society Member	No fee

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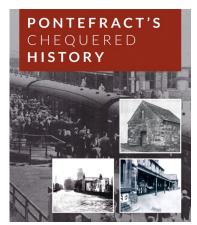
Bookshelf

We have a number of local heritage and history publications for sale.

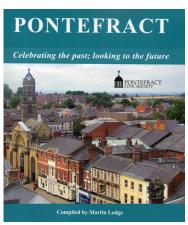
Our local heritage publications are available for sale online. Visit www.pontefractcivicsociety.org. uk/shop to purchase online or contact us via:

Phone: 01977708658

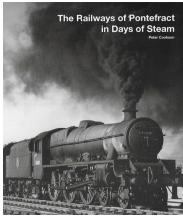
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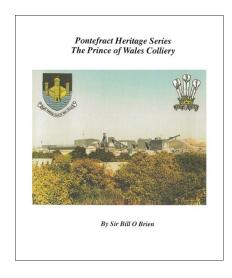
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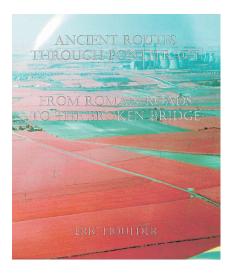
£12.99 - Pontefract - Celebrating the Past; Looking to the Future



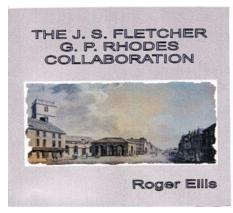
£10 - The Railways of Pontefract in Days of Steam



£7 - The Prince of Wales Colliery



£7 - Ancient Routes Through
Pontefract



£13 - The J.S. Fletcher G.P. Rhodes
Collaboration

We also have a stock of quality branded pens for just £1.00, and lapel badges at £3.00. Please show your support for Pontefract Civic Society; let's get noticed!



Join Pontefract Civic Society as a volunteer!

Members are welcome to get involved in any of work, and if you are unsure, then speak to those currently involved. Whether you have a passing interest, a skill, knowledge from other community groups or your day job, then we need your support. You could sit in on a meeting, or shadow another team member.

Give it a go! You might enjoy it.

Creatively collating information and designing posters and other materials

Conducting heritage research

Creating digital content for virtual events using Microsoft Video
Editor to support slideshows and videos, and creative presentations

Keeping our website up to date with new content aligned to our current action and social media output

Creating a bank of new photographs of the town, the civic society, and of our members

....and many more opportunities

Business Members

Gold Member	Gold Member	Gold Member	Silver Member
FARMER COPLEYS Your local Farm Shop, Noo Caffe & Beast-Rectaurant	enfields	CLEAR CO WEALTH MANAGEMENT Fresh Financial Planning	Barkers Fencing
Silver Member	Silver Member	Silver Member	Silver Member
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