



PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

- Member meeting September 08
- Autumn heritage Ghost walk, October, pie and peas supper
- Xmas Party, be wined and dined
- Spring talk and demo
- Summer treasure hunt

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Second Year of Barnsley Civic Trust

After a very successful first birthday party in April and our first AGM in May, Barnsley Civic Trust is now well into year two!

This newsletter sets out what our members are up to in the name of the Civic Trust and where you can get involved or take part. We already have some great projects under way with the Shops Award attracting over 100 town centre businesses, a successful 'Big Debate' on Transport held in June and a brand new competition to generate some fresh 'images of Barnsley'. Other members are setting up a special planning group, to comment on developments in the town centre and help ensure we get the best in new development whilst protecting the town's built heritage. If you

want to help support these events and groups or take part, further information is included here. Following the AGM, we also have a new



Cheers !! Happy First Birthday Barnsley Civic Trust

Executive Committee, with lots of experience and many new ideas. A key task for them this year will be to improve the way that we

communicate and make sure we have more opportunities for members to get involved in Civic Trust events, meetings or projects. This is really important and volunteers from the Executive Committee are already organising some new events and social occasions so that people can get together more easily as well as find things out through newsletters and e-mails.

The next 12 months will be exciting and challenging, with many changes and issues facing Barnsley town centre. I hope that you get the chance to attend an event or take part in one of our projects, so that Barnsley Civic Trust can continue to support our town. Look forward to seeing you soon!

New Commitments & Membership

We value the support civic trust members contribute to the organisation by paying subscriptions on an annual basis. The second year of the civic trust is well underway and membership renewals are now due. **We have extended the benefits that members receive.**

You will receive:

A **newsletter** every 2 months, (typically 4 pages) which covers a range of previous and planned events

and projects.

Regular written communications regarding **special events** to join fellow members.

Regular **full members meeting** to discuss news and topical areas in the town, starting with a talk by the manager of the Experience Barnsley project in early September, day tbc.

A chance to **participate in projects** organised by BCT volunteers.

Fun stuff! Social events to celebrate together in the town centre, starting with a ghost walk and Christmas party later in the year.

Supported by regular updates of the **website** and the promotion of the trust in civic events.

All this is possible with your support. Please take the time to complete the subscription form attached.

Thank you from the BCT Executive Committee.

Calling all members



Get involved today.

BCT needs your hard work and commitment.

Ever wanted to get involved in a project organised by the BCT? Then now is the ideal opportunity. We are looking for people to get active in organising events, social events, marketing, communicating, design and publicity. You can contribute as much or as

little time that suits you. Typically a couple of hours a month. Here are a list of contacts to pursue:

Marketing, publicity and design speak to Ben Johnson:

01226 202006 or
benjohnson_03@yahoo.co.uk

Social events and fun stuff speak to Laraine Day on 07963 053795

Organising projects and other events, speak to Garreth Bruff:

07963 053795

barnsleycivictrust@yahoo.co.uk

Any other questions or matters regarding BCT and its work, or representing BCT, please give Garreth Bruff a call.

Views of Barnsley Competition



Send entries to

Reservoir House
Park Road
Worsbrough
Bridge
Barnsley
S70 5NT

Remember to add your details and contact number.

Good Luck.

Barnsley Civic Trust wants you to share your view of Barnsley in a brand new competition that will bring to life the changing landscape of the town. Whether it's new buildings, old buildings, pubs or people, whatever Barnsley means to you, we ask you to use it as inspiration. There will be one overall winner and three runners-up. The prize for the winning entry is to be exhibited at the **Cooper Gallery** as part of the major Kenneth Graham exhibi-

tion. The overall winner will also receive **£50**-worth of vouchers from Boots.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY. The "**Your View of Barnsley**" competition is open to all forms of visual art, including photography, water colours, oils and mixed media. Digitally-altered work is acceptable. We apologise that we cannot accept sculpture or 3-D models. All artists and photographers, amateur and professional, who do not have to be members of

Barnsley Civic Trust, are eligible to enter. Entrants under the age of 16 will require signed permission from a parent or guardian. Entrants will be asked to give their permission for their entries to be scanned into the Barnsley Civic Trust image database. Credited images may be used for publicity purposes.

The closing date for the "Your View of Barnsley" competition is

Friday, August 22nd. Enter Now !!

Civic Societies Week Launch in Barnsley

The first ever Yorkshire and Humberside regional Civic Societies Week was launched in the Digital Media Centre in Barnsley on the 12th June. The aim of the week was to hold events to raise the profile of the civic society movement across the region and celebrate the important work that societies do in providing a

community voice on development and regeneration matters. Over 30 societies from across Yorkshire and Humber took part in the week-long event (from Saturday 21st June through to Sunday 29th June) by hosting their own activities. Barnsley Civic Trust held a Big Debate on Transportation in the

town centre. Speaker Bob Grundy (from the North East) entertained with an inspiring speech about the importance of quality in the built environment. Other speakers were the Mayor Cllr Ken Sanderson, and Peter Spawforth who donated a magnificent turned wooden vase to be awarded annually.



Let's not make the mistakes of the 60s and 70's. Quality must be paramount.
(Bob Grundy)

Barnsley Shop Awards 2008



Barnsley Civic Trust wants to promote an exciting, vibrant and pulsating town centre. Our town centre is being re-vamped, so we are inviting town centre business, such as

shops, cafes, hairdressers and beauty salons to enter the Barnsley Shop Award competition. We are looking at the impact on the high street and are awarding outlets for imaginative and professional window displays. We need to entice out of

town shoppers back into Barnsley town centre, putting Barnsley firmly back on the shopping map.

Entries will be received up to 21st July 2008. Judging will

take place between **7 - 21 August 2008**. Winners will be notified by 31st August 2008 and a trophy and certificate will be awarded to the winner of each category.

Overall winner will receive a special trophy. Ceremony to take place in the Autumn.

CATEGORIES include:

Small shops

Large Shops

Alhambra Centre Shops

Charity shops

Market Stalls

Travel Agents

Cafes/Takeaways

Hairdressers\Salons

Ladies Fashion

Men's Fashion.

Organised by

Phyllis Barnes on behalf of the Shop Awards Team.

Further details via email:

barnsleycivictrust@yahoo.co.uk

Social Event Calendar

Exciting range of member events and social events coming this year.

Early September a member meeting and chance to learn about the 'Experience Barnsley' project to create a new museum in the Town Hall, with project manager Dr John Tanner. Includes quiz and chance to meet other BCT members and Executive. Details will follow shortly.

Late October Autumn Heritage Ghost walk around the

town. A ghoulish night with scary stories, taking in the older streets of town including Dog lane, Dow Passage, St Mary's Church and Graveyard. Finish at a town centre hostelry for pie and peas. Small charge to cover costs.

December Xmas Party. Relax and dine at an exclusive venue in the town, including mulled wine, Carol singers, food and drink. Details to follow in the Autumn.

March 09 Spring talk and

workshop, with a small entry fee. May include new pastimes, culture, industry, crafts and possible demonstrations.

Summer 09 Heritage treasure hunt.

Other ideas for events always welcome.

Please contact the main BCT numbers or Laraine Day.



Parking, buses and safety: the transport debate

"Remaking Barnsley: the Transport Debate" took place at the Lucorum, Barnsley, on Thursday 26th June. With around 50 people taking part, and a panel of local experts, the subject proved lively, as well as controversial.

The debate created a constructive discussion, which explored all of the travel is-

sues facing a fast developing town like Barnsley and .

Cooper-Smith from Barnsley Development Agency chaired the event, with a panel of Paul Fell and Anne Beddoes from Transportation Planning in Barnsley Council, Ann Frost a local resident and BCT member, Roy Mitchell of South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive and Robert Teal a

local retailer as well as a BCT member.

Participants raised concerns about the flexibility of public transport services, looked at car parking problems in residential streets surrounding the town and the safety of pedestrians walking, especially school children. A full report will be published soon.

Suggestions welcome for the next BIG debate...

Unclaimed Prizes

The spring raffle earned £423 for BCT projects, which is fantastic news and a big thank you to everyone involved and those who donated prizes. One unclaimed prize remains from raffle number **2426**. Thank you to Phyllis, Mel, Cath, Peter, Erica, Kim, John.

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- Garreth Bruff, Chair
- Judith Bird, Vice Chair
- Allen Parks, Secretary
- Phyllis Barnes, Treasurer

If you have any news please contact Ben on the usual BCT email address.

www.barnsleycivictrust.org.uk

Blue Plaques coming soon

Ken Keen is pleased to announce that Barnsley Civic Trust will be installing its first two Blue Plaques for the Town Centre very soon. The installation and launch will follow sometime in the summer. The First plaque is dedicated to Warner Gothard, and will be installed on Regent Street South. The second, to celebrate the life and contributions of Mathew Carrington Sykes, will be installed outside Bury and Walker solicitors, Regent Street. If you have suggestions for further blue plaques to celebrate the town's famous or generous please get in touch.

Planning Group News

After our inauguration at this year's AGM, the Barnsley Civic Trust planning advisory group has finally got off the ground.

The group comprises five members: John Cadman, Peter Roberts, Peter Cawthorne, Pauline Gould and Stacey Sykes as coordinator, with welcome assistance from Garreth Bruff.

The group is committed to encouraging a feeling of pride in the local community and interest in the many changes that are taking place within the town,

with a view to ensuring that the public's opinions and ideas are taken on board.

The group hold regular meetings concerned with the latest planning applications, all of which are scanned on a weekly basis. So far we have been brought up to speed on the planning front connected with the proposed new college, have examined a range of plans concerned with shop usage and alterations, improvements in local public houses, signage and its impact on the

frontages of town centre developments.

The group has also expressed views on the proposed improvements to town centre public spaces, attended the launch of the civic societies week and taken part in this year's big debate on transport.

The planning group would also like to hear your views on larger planning matters. Details will follow in future communications with members, including information on all major developments.

If you are interested in the work of the group contact spokesperson Stacey Sykes on stacey.a.sykes@hotmail.com



Plans for the Barnsley Markets Project, a major town centre development