



Scarborough & District Civic Society

This Annual Report covers the year 2016

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 260615

Scarborough & District Civic Society

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ADMINISTRATION

The Society and its property are administered and managed in accordance with the Constitution adopted at the Annual General Meeting on 20 March 2006. The Society is administered by the members of the Committee, constituted by clause 7.0 of the Constitution.

COMMITTEE 2016

Adrian Perry Chairman, Richard Ward Vice Chairman and Planning Officer, Adrian Perry Acting Secretary, Michael Wainwright Treasurer, Christine Hepworth Social Secretary, Stephen Parnaby Photographer, Jackie Roberts, Janet Simpson, Glen Bridgewood Minutes Secretary, David Raine. Mark Smith.

OBJECTIVES

The Society's objectives are set out in clause 2.1 of the Constitution and are: -

The Society is established for the public benefit for the following purposes in the area comprising, "Scarborough & District" which area shall hereinafter be referred to as "the area of benefit"

- (i) To promote high standards of planning and architecture in or affecting the area of benefit.
- (ii) To educate the public in the geography, history, natural history and architecture of the area of benefit.
- (iii) To secure the preservation, protection, development and improvement of features of historic or public interest in the area of benefit.

HOW WE CARRIED OUT OUR OBJECTIVES

Lectures/Events:

Tuesday 5 January

Bonnie's Festive Lunch at Park Manor Hotel Northstead Manor Drive.

Tuesday 12 January

Brian Mulvana gave an illustrated talk about 'Scarborough Trams'

Tuesday 9 February

Steve Johnson gave a talk entitled 'The things you did not know about North Bay Railway.'

Tuesday 8 March

AGM – followed by 'Accent on the Positive' a presentation by Christine Hepworth

Tuesday 5 April

Bonnie's Lunch at the Crescent Hotel.

Tuesday 12 April

A talk by Kevin Trickett 'The Style, History and Influence of Art Deco'

Tuesday 10 May

Sheila McGeowan talk about her book 'The History of Seamer'

Tuesday 7 June

Bonnie's Lunch at The Three Jolly Sailors, Burniston.

Tuesday 14 June

Maggie Flowitt gave a talk on 'The Art of Chinese Brush Painting.'

Tuesday 12 July

Christine Hepworth conducted a 'A Walk on North Cliff'

Tuesday 9 August

A talk by Robin Horspool on Winifred Holtby author of 'South Riding'

Tuesday 5 January

Bonnie's Lunch at The Black Bull, Gristhorpe.

Tuesday 13 September

A walk in the Old Town conducted by Christine Hepworth

Tuesday 11 October

A talk on 'Sir George Gilbert Scott' by David Winpenny

Tuesday 1 November

Afternoon Tea at Columbus Hotel

Tuesday 8 November

David Fowler & Ren Yaldren gave a talk entitled 'Sown with Corn'

Tuesday 20 December

The Annual Christmas Coffee morning at the Red Lea Hotel, Prince of Wales Terrace.

Talks to other groups/organisations

Christine Hepworth and Adrian Perry made presentations to various groups using the theme of "Scarborough Paint the Town Trail", "The Civic Society", "Blue Plaques in Scarborough" and "Accent on the Positive". Yorkshire Gardens Trust and Pickering Civic Society both made visits to Scarborough and were shown round by the society.

Publications

We continued to sell our publications which are "Scarborough Heritage Trail part 1", "Scarborough Heritage Trail part 2", "The Streets of Scarborough" "Paint the Town" and "The Blue Plaques of Scarborough"

Publicity/Projects

The Civic Society were successful in obtaining two thousand pounds funding to restore shelter 7 in the South Cliff Gardens.

We completed a project to enable full DDA access to Anne Brontë's grave.

We raised more than £5K to restore the statue of Queen Victoria.

We were involved in a stage 1 application for a £5M grant from the HLF Parks for People fund. The weather station which is next to the police box on Sandside was restored. We received a commendation from YHACS for our 2016 programme of activities. Frequent comments on planning applications & heritage matters; see our website for more information.

Newsletters

There were three issues of the newsletter.

MEMBERSHIP

The Society had 163 members. Of the 163 members 8 are life members.

The Society is a member of the following organisations: -

Civic Voice

Yorkshire & Humber Association of Civic Societies (YHACS)

British Association for Local History

Signed 

Adrian Perry, Chairman of the Committee & Trustees

Reserves Statement

In accordance with Charity Commission guidance as set out in CC19 'Charities and Reserves', S&DCS is required to include a statement on Reserves to accompany the Annual Report and Accounts. The statement needs to distinguish between Restricted and Unrestricted funds and to set out those Unrestricted funds which are classed as Designated Funds. The statement for the financial year ending December 2016 is as follows.

Restricted funds – the Society has no Restricted Funds.

Unrestricted Funds are income or funds which can be spent at the discretion of the Society in furtherance of any of the charity's objects. Some Unrestricted Funds may be declared Designated Funds for use for specific purposes.

The Society has declared the following to be Designated Funds with the relevant sum at the end of the financial year 2016 indicated:-

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| Queen Victoria Statue restoration | £4829.50 |
| Shelter 7 restoration | £2000.00 |
| Duck House restoration | £500.00 |
| Reserve for emergency maintenance of completed projects | £2500.00 |
| Total | £9829.50 |

All other funds are Unrestricted & Undesignated £3042.54

Policy on Designated Funds

The purpose of the Designated Funds is to provide funds for certain specific purposes in order to help the Society meet its objects which are:-

To promote civic pride in the beauty, history and character of Scarborough and its surroundings.

To take an active interest in maintaining those features on which the character of the town depends.

To encourage high quality developments which lead to an improved living and working environment for us to enjoy.

To act as a co-ordinating body and to co-operate with the local authorities, planning committees, and persons having aims similar to those of the Society.

In 2016, the S&DCS committee agreed to hold reserves of £3,000. This money is a notional sum and represents the minimum level of unrestricted funds that the committee will endeavour to maintain in our accounts at all times. Having a reserves policy does not mean that we will never allow our funds to drop below £3,000 but, in the event of that happening, the committee would make it a priority to raise sufficient income to bring the level of reserves back to the target amount.

This policy will be kept under annual review by the committee.

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Year End Accounts to 31 December 2016

Account Summary

| | Opening Balance 31-Dec-15 | Closing Balance 31-Dec-16 | Movement |
|----------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| HSBC | 12695.8 | 12872.04 | 176.24 |
| CAF Cash | 542.96 | 0 | -542.96 |
| CAF Public Art | 1890.7 | 0 | -1890.7 |
| Total | 15129.46 | 12872.04 | -2257.42 |

Total Balance at 31 December 2016 = £12872.04

Expenditure 2016

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|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Room hire | 250 |
| Speaker fees | 315 |
| Subscriptions | 356 |
| Postage | 419 |
| Newsletter Printing | 453 |
| PO Box | 312 |
| Proj 1 Parcel Office | 1542 |
| Railway Station Sign | 77 |
| New Display Stand | 308 |
| Proj 4 Ann Brontes Grave Access | 1800 |
| SBC Gardens sponsorship | 500 |
| Donation to Dean Road Chapel | 2000 |
| Weather Station Refurbishment | 350 |
| Events | 1197 |
| Town Hall Brochure reprint | 751 |
| Work to website domain | 44 |
| Misc Accruals | 160 |
| Total | 10834 |

Income 2016

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|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Membership | 1973 |
| Grants | 66 |
| Donations | 201 |
| Meetings | 745 |
| Publications | 142 |
| Events | 1514 |
| Project 2 Queen Vict. | 1936 |
| Project 3 Shelter 7 Restoration | 2000 |
| Total | 8577 |

Accounts prepared by Michael Wainwright, Treasurer
and agreed by Adrian Perry, Honorary Secretary