

NEWSLETTER

December 2009

SCARBOROUGH

Best Town in Britain

Academy of Urbanism Award 2010



Did you see Scarborough change?

The Best Town Award was presented to Tom Pindar representing Scarborough at Church House in Westminster at the end of November. These are his thoughts on the effect which the Town Team and Urban Renaissance has had on us all.

If the Valley Bridge fell down we would be hugely shocked, talk about it for days and some of you would be on TV, maybe with tears in your eyes implying your world will never be the same.

Yet if change is slower a whole transformation can come about almost imperceptibly. It's a bit like one's proud home, all new and decades later it feels the same to you but a valuer walking in will instantly see the need for a refit and much maintenance. Older folks had got used to Scarborough streets, buildings, businesses and people being, shall we say, not at their best and not making the most of the wonderful assets of coast and countryside, of visitors and historic or classical sites, of the look of the harbour and the happy buzz of visitors and residents who respond to quality and are downcast by tat.

The realisation that Scarborough was fundamentally a very special place and could raise its game was in some minds for years. At last, an opportunity to do something came with the enlightened Regeneration or Renaissance programme initiated by Yorkshire Forward and grabbed with both hands by then Council Leader Councillor Eileen Bosomworth. Yorkshire Forward had a visionary, Alan Simpson, at the time and the services of a leading global urban planning firm were paid for – on our behalf.

That must be some eight or nine years ago. A teaser of a weekend event was run at the Spa. Until then those who were fed up with tat, with a defensive and unfairly abused Council and seeing investors barely bother to consider Scarborough had kept their own counsel. But a thousand or more turned up at the Spa and showed themselves eager to take part in debate and idea sessions.

Suddenly there was a chance of reversing the negative, pessimistic down at heel attitude that developed during the half century when traditional seaside holidays declined and the town's revenues

were a cause for concern. Industry meanwhile did quite well, with Eastfield generating spending power greater than that coming from Tourism. So we floated along because of chips, coach building, printing and engineering.

Yorkshire Forward's master stroke was to insist on a Town Team – i.e. the people, as the core focal and decision making point. If Renaissance money was coming from Yorkshire Forward the Town Team had (still has) to agree the spend is on what they want. So the people – everyone, can be part of the process – ham in the sandwich between the Council which often manages the spend and Yorkshire Forward that provides the cash.

Our uniqueness lies in being the very best town at driving the mood change and involving the town in the process so when complete there is pride and ownership. The Council and its officers found this hard to begin with and must guard against slipping back into its old ways, of thinking it knows best and the public are not to be trusted. A return to Council versus residents would be a catastrophe.

Right now the people nationally and internationally who specialise in helping and observing the development of life quality of places are in raptures about Scarborough. They see better than we do that we have worked a miracle in attitude change. And another in uplifting a tired place further with less money but more goodwill than anywhere else in Britain. That is why all those Academicians of the Institute of Urbanism voted heavily for us in competition with Cambridge and Chester. It is the parable of the talents in practice. We are simply making more of our place – more of our talents – than the others.

As State cash dries up it is desirable we keep on getting to be still better. Society members, businesses, Council, Schools need to plan to cope with this. Tony Peers, Town Team Chairman, is arranging a meeting of officials and leading Council and Yorkshire Forward people to do this very thing.

Scarborough changed – your energy and support provided the impetus. It is very good now – please do your bit to keep it that way.

Tom Pindar

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

2009 has been a very busy time for the Civic Society with lots of interesting events. These were crowned by winning the YHACS award and the £250 prize money will help to finance future projects.



and financial support. We also welcome corporate members and sponsors. Civic Society projects cannot be conceived or implemented without our membership so thank you all for your continued support even if you are unable to attend our events.

Heritage Open Days in September were well supported with more than 3000 people visiting the 29 free events. These events provide the Society with a showcase to raise public awareness of Scarborough’s architectural, historical and cultural heritage. We were very grateful for the support which we received from Scarborough Museums Trust who helped plan the events and provided a free telephone booking service. Suggestions for the 2010 programme would be very welcome.

Throughout the year we have been providing new Heritage Trail Plaques which are referred to in the Heritage Trail part 2 booklet. These are a new plaque on the Medieval town wall near the YMCA, a new plaque on the bottom station of the Spa Cliff Lift and a replacement Sitwell plaque on Woodend.

Major council decisions have been made about spending on the Open Air Theatre and improvements at the Spa. We can only hope that these plans prove to be the success that our council anticipate because a great deal of public money has been committed.

With the failure of Scarborough’s bid to CABE Seachange the **St Nicholas Funicular Railway** still hasn’t found a reprieve, so the future is looking more difficult for this element of Scarborough’s heritage. It is hoped that we may be able to attract funds from the Lottery but of course they are very committed to the Olympic Games. It would be helpful if Civic Society members expressed their support for the funicular by writing to me, as that might encourage the council in its efforts to access external funding.

At last Scarborough could be in line for a multi million pound youth centre. For quite a few years I have been attending meetings about youth provision proposals and the project wasn’t going anywhere until a team of dedicated young people, assisted by North Yorkshire County Council and Coast and Moors Voluntary Action got involved. The bid to My Place has already been successful in the first stage of application so if the final application is successful Scarborough will see a multi-million pound youth centre built for Young People. The young people of our town are our future so let’s hope that this project does succeed and is as successful as the Skate Park which is also a youth-led project.

As a registered charity, we depend on the subscriptions paid by our members to meet our expenses. All our Committee members are volunteers and give their time freely. What really helps us is to know that we have both your moral

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a very prosperous New Year.

Shelters Group Report

We have recently turned our attention to the oak shelter in Shuttleworth Gardens, which is part of the historic South Cliff Gardens. When Alfred Shuttleworth gave Red Court Garden to the town the event was reported by “The Scarborough Evening News” on 13th February 1917. That report includes this remark: “There was an oak summer-house which cost more than £100 to build in cheap days.”



It will cost considerably more than £100 to repair it now, mainly because of the present day cost of English oak. We have begun to make applications for funding to various organisations and hope that we may be able to start work next summer if our fund-raising is successful.

From the Editor.

I’m always pleased when quite a lot of people join in contributing to the Newsletter, as in this issue. My thanks to all of them, and to the many others who have contributed during the six years I have been Editor.

Thanks also to McCray Press who have printed the Newsletter throughout those years to such very high standards, and who have always been so positive and helpful to me and to the Society.

The programme for the next six months or so is on the back page, as usual, so please have a look through it and put some dates in your diary.

Please read the Treasurer’s note on page 4 and check the enclosed letter about renewals to make sure you are paying the correct sub.

Finally, thanks to you for reading the Newsletter, as otherwise my job might seem a bit pointless!

Roger Foster

Scarborough winners at The YHACS Peter Spawforth Awards

Yorkshire and Humber Association of Civic Societies was established in 1999 to support and promote the work of the region's societies and represent them at regional level with the aim of raising the profile of the civic society movement across the region and celebrating the important work that societies do in providing a community voice on development and regeneration matters.

Scarborough & District Civic Society took part in the second annual Civic Societies Week when almost 30 societies from across Yorkshire and Humber took part in the week-long event (from Saturday 27th June through to Sunday 5th July) by hosting their own activities, putting on displays and events, and running campaigns.

As part of the region-wide activities planned for the week, Scarborough Civic Society staged four events:

- History of South Cliff Gardens (Shelter 8)
- Guided Walk of South Cliff Gardens
- Harry W Smith exhibition (Town Hall)
- Sitwell exhibition (Woodend)

Members of the YHACS committee judged this year's Civic Societies Week events and announced the results, at the members' meeting on 7th November.

Scarborough & District Civic Society were declared the winners of the £250 cash prize and the Peter Spawforth trophy.

Thanks must go to everyone who helped make this week so successful but special thanks must go to Austen Sleightholme, Val Smith, Christine Hepworth, Jim Bantoft, Keith Johnston and Anne & Paul Bayliss.



Pictured Adrian Perry and Peter Spawforth at the awards ceremony in Harrogate

November 2009 PLANNING REPORT

by Richard Flowitt & Chris Perry

Part 1.

This is an important time for planning, which may seem strange when the number of applications seems less than a few years ago. Clearly the recession has reduced the applications for commercial, industrial and residential from developers and private clients.

However the government has been looking to the future and requires Local Authorities to prepare a **Local Development Framework** (known as the LDF). Scarborough Borough Council has therefore produced their **Draft Core Strategy** and **Draft Housing Allocations** which will lay down the future development in Scarborough up to the year 2026. It will replace the existing Local Development Plan

This is not the place to elaborate on the LDF, it is out for public consultation until 23rd December and will develop as time passes but there are some elements that are already decided such as the **Regional Spatial Strategy** that requires the Borough to provide 560 dwellings per year from 2008 to 2026, that is 10,080 dwellings for Scarborough, Whitby, Filey and the villages. Potential housing sites have been announced and, no doubt, will be considered and discussed in the months to come. The documents are on SBC's web-site www.scarborough.gov.uk where you will find a link on the home page to LDF planning consultation. Alternatively phone the Town Hall on 232323 to find out whether you can access paper copies.

In the meantime there are changes to the planning law which may produce some local sites and projects that will not require planning approval and are classified as permitted development. To encourage 'green' and renewable energy, in some circumstances, wind turbines and solar panels will not require planning approval.

Meanwhile our local planning continues as follows: Improvements to the Spa have been approved and Dean Road consultation is concluded.

An interesting element of the Dean Road consultation has been that Sheffield University architectural students have suggested that the site is ideal for an architectural competition. The benefit of a competition is that Scarborough would get national and international architectural practices presenting designs, a competition is self financing from the practices entering, and Scarborough would get international publicity and the potential of quality design.

Part 2 of the Planning Report is on page 5.

AN IMPORTANT NOTE FROM THE TREASURER

Just a little word from your Treasurer as is usual at this time of the year.

We are really appreciative of your continued support throughout the year, in fact we would be lost without you, so a big THANK YOU to you all.

Would those of you who pay through their banks via Standing Orders please just check that they have altered them to encompass the increased subs implemented last January.

If you have not yet decided to pay by Standing Order may I ask you to think about it? It is quite easy to do and saves time for you and us. Also may I ask you to consider filling in the Gift Aid part of the form – every little helps in the present climate.

Happy New Year to you all

Barbara B.

Society Meetings and Events.



Peter Spencer of the National Trust came to our October meeting and presented us with an overview of the Trust and the gardens which are in their care with reference to the historical development of garden styles.

His personal connection with Nunnington Hall which is our nearest Trust garden and his easy presentation style helped to make this a very interesting afternoon meeting

Connie Pummell yet again proved that her afternoon tea cannot be beaten! The room at Orchard Lodge was full as usual, and everyone enjoyed doing the quiz which Christine Hepworth had devised. Many thanks must go to Connie for running this very enjoyable annual event which due to her generosity raises a considerable sum for the society's funds.



Doug Kendall presented the Spa Complex restoration scheme to the members meeting in November. It is very important that we continue to improve this unique facility and we all hope that the planned works in 2010 will ensure that the Spa has a profitable future. At the members meeting we always try to get ideas about what the society should be doing and a number of good ideas were voiced.



Ideas for Christmas Presents

CIVIC SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

For friends who are not already members of Scarborough and District Civic Society, one year's subscription makes a nice surprise present.

You would be helping the Society, and you might see your friends more often!

(Ring Adrian Perry on 379912)



HERITAGE TRAIL PART 2

The second of the revised Scarborough Heritage Trail Books is now available from the Society, the Library and Tourist Information Centres and Doodles Bookshop,

price £2.50.

It complements the Part 1 booklet, published in 2004, which covered the Old Town, and features three separate trails on the South Cliff and Spa, the Crescent & Town Centre and North Bay.

It is something every Society member will enjoy, and it makes a wonderful present for any friends who have not yet joined the Society!



If you know someone who has not already got a copy of 'The Streets of Scarborough', it makes a perfect gift for friends who visit Scarborough, as so many do, and would like to learn more about it.

Please contact Christine Hepworth to reserve copies at the price of £9.99 each. (Tel: 368913)

Model of Medieval Scarborough.

When Wood End was converted to Woodend the wonderful model of Medieval Scarborough housed at the old Natural History Museum was carefully stored away. Since then we have been trying to find a place where it could be displayed.

By the date of the next issue we may have good news about this, so *watch this space!*



Buses and Integrated Transport in Scarborough - a final thought - (probably).

By Roger Foster

After our efforts with the special supplement to the last Newsletter it was good to see many members of the Civic Society at the well attended meeting at the Royal Hotel in October to hear from the County, the Borough and the Bus Company.

I have tried very hard to maintain editorial impartiality in the coverage I have given in the Newsletter to the Integrated Transport System, but in what may be our last mention of it for a while, perhaps I can give a more personal view.

The idea seems to have come from the government and been forced on the County and Borough Councils, but it has been an opportunity missed.

The meeting demonstrated very clearly the 'them and us' division on the subject between the Authorities and the rest.

In describing the collapse of Wall Street last year the American press used the expression 'Group Think'. Everyone on Wall Street saw things one way, the rest of the world saw it another.

Group Think was very evident when we listened to NYCC and the others speaking at the recent meeting. It showed in the presentation, and the answers to every question.

Just one example will do. The County explained how one of their first objectives in planning the scheme was to balance supply and demand, and they believed they had succeeded. *It is their own figures which show that each bus is running with, on average, 50 of its 55 seats empty.*

That is not balancing supply and demand, and if you think it is you are suffering from Group Think.

Admitting that mistakes have been made is out of fashion and more than we can expect. Instead I hope we can agree that everyone can learn from experience.

Experience of big buses, mostly empty, running round and round the town centre leads me to one simple, commonsense, suggestion for the powers that be to consider and that is this:-

find another use for the big buses and start to use smaller ones without delay.

There would be immediate benefits from smaller, friendlier, buses.

- There would be fewer empty seats on each bus.
- There would be a significant reduction in fuel consumption.
- They would take up less space on our overcrowded roads.
- They would be more in scale with town centre streets, and less easily obstructed by parked vehicles.

On the very rare occasions when the system is busy, put on more buses.

(Suitable small buses, with excellent provision for the handicapped, are made in Scarborough.)

PLANNING REPORT - Part 2.

01 Previous Newsletter reports.

- a) New offices and residential for Salt Architects in Tuthill 09/01152/FL *Application withdrawn*
- b) Two new cottages to the rear of 6/8 St. Sepulchre St 09/01101/FL. *We objected but permission granted.*
- c) Additional Beach chalets in the North Bay 09/01523/FL. We are pleased to see more replacement beach huts proposed. *Decision awaited.*
- d) Hospital Extension 09/01556/FL *Approved*
- j) Two new houses behind the Bell Hotel 09/01564/FL. *We objected but permission granted.*

02 New Applications

- a) Winking Willies 09/01692/FL Improvements to the restaurant end housing on The Bolts. *We supported the application and it was approved.*
- b) 54 Hackness Road 08/02618/FL. We objected, permission was refused, an appeal is in progress. *We will attend the Inspector's site visit*
- c) Oasis Café 09/00320/FL Revised details of previous approval. *Approved*
- d) 10 The Meads, Eastfield 09/01915/FL Pair of semi's. We objected because of over-development. *Permission refused.*
- e) St Thomas Hospital 09/01923/FL We objected to the changes to the external appearance. *Decision pending.*
- f) 87 North Street, Scalby 09/1962/FL New house. We supported the application. *Refused.*
- g) Sandybed Court 09/02030/FL Redevelopment of the site. We objected. *Decision pending.*
- h) Barista Restaurant, Huntress Row. 09/1981/FL New restaurant on ground floor. We support. *Decision pending.*
- i) 5 Avenue Road 09/02137/FL Conversion of Offices to Flats. *Decision pending.*
- j) 9a Royal Crescent Lane, Weaponness 09/02166/FL. New build flats. We objected. *Decision pending.*
- k) High Mill Farm, Scalby 09/00717/OL 490 residential units. *Decision pending*

THE CIVIC SOCIETY INITIATIVE



By Peter Cooper

A couple of editions ago I wrote about the possibility of a new national body being created following the demise of the Civic Trust in April. Progress has been made and I will try and summarise where we are.

The resources pledged by, amongst others, the National Trust and the Campaign to Protect Rural England, have allowed the creation of the Civic Societies Initiative (CSI), a time limited organisation. The CSI has been consulting widely on the future shape of the civic society movement and the findings of this consultation, involving over 270 civic societies and over 100 partner bodies were presented at a national convention of civic societies held in Blackpool on 16th October. The convention focused on a discussion of the consultation result which is set out in the CSI report 'Own the Future'. The report is available to view on the CSI website

www.civicsocietyinitiative.org.uk

A summary of the results of the consultation

There is an overwhelming demand for a new national body to champion the movement and support the country's civic societies:

- Civic societies exist in a fast-changing world and need to move with the times and make the most of their opportunities to act positively and 'own the future'.
- Civic Societies want to be less reactive, work more in partnership and be more campaigning in their outlook.
- People become involved in civic societies as volunteers for largely altruistic and not personal reasons. They see the bigger picture.
- Civic Societies want a unifying mission and purpose for the movement. This is likely to be based around issues of place, pride, identity and community.

A new national body should feel very different to the former national Civic Trust. It should be:

- Campaigning in its outlook
- Responsive to the needs of societies
- Light-footed in its use of resources
- Grassroots in its culture and governance

The new national body should perform three main roles:

- Providing information, support and advice to civic societies
- Facilitating civic societies to network and cluster together
- Being a national lead and voice for the movement which provides inspiration and direction; lobbies and campaigns on its behalf; and raises its profile and influence.

Reactions to the report

It is understood that the report was well received by the 70 societies represented at the Blackpool convention. In my view, from my work with the Yorkshire & Humber Association of Civic Societies (YHACS), the views expressed in the report more or less represent the views of people I know in other societies and regions. Several topics were discussed in the session following the presentation of the report, including finance.

Finance

Civic societies want a new national body to be independent but there is no tradition of fully funding the support they seek. In the past the civic societies' annual subscription to the Civic Trust totalled £60,000, only a fraction of the money needed to service 700 societies. The balance was subsidised from other Civic Trust activities. It is proposed that the majority of the funding for the core work of the new national body would be provided by civic societies and that they would contribute according to the size of their memberships. The fee is likely to be between £1 and £3 per society member to support a national body with core costs between £300,000 and £400,000. Transitional arrangements would be needed to introduce this change.

Problems may arise with all this. It is rightly said that some societies indulge in 'voluntary impoverishment', charging their members subscriptions often as low as £5 a year and claiming that their members cannot afford more. (Some believe that societies exist to provide services to members; the truth is, of course, that we exist to improve our locality.) There may be resistance within some societies to a national subscription of even £1 per head when in reality £2 is likely to be the minimum required to produce a half-decent national body.

The way forward

The way forward from here is as follows:

- By the end of 2009 final proposals will be put forward for a new national body.
- In spring 2010 a further meeting will be held to reach agreement on its remit and constitution.
- Around April 2010 the new national body should be formed.
- Within three years of its formation there would be a review of the workings of the new national body.

My view, as chairman of YHACS, is that the old Civic Trust is sorely missed, they gave us a great deal of help at regional level which, in turn, helped us with our role of supporting, promoting and representing the civic societies in the Yorkshire & Humber region. For me, a new national body cannot come soon enough but what do you think? We would like to hear from you if you have views on the subject.

George and Ann Knowles; the First Occupants of Wood End House

By

Anne & Paul Bayliss

After a successful career as an architect, civil engineer and contractor, George Knowles, with his wife Ann, retired to Scarborough as the first occupants of Wood End House. Knowles soon involved himself in the life of the Town and today is mostly remembered for his opposition to the proposed York-Scarborough railway.

George Knowles was born in 1776 and during the first two decades of the 19th century was working in Ireland. He was resident engineer, architect and contractor for the Royal Canal in Dublin, producing designs for Mullingar Harbour and the Sheriff Street Bridge over the Canal (1808). He designed and built both the Lucan Bridge (1814) and the Whitworth (now the Father Matthew) Bridge (1816-19) over the River Liffey. He was also contractor for the Richmond (now the O'Donovan Rossa) Bridge, designed by James Savage (1812-16).

At the beginning of the 1820s, George Knowles moved to Yorkshire, to 'Lucan House', Sharow, near Ripon. Now about 45 years old and financially successful, he soon joined villagers in their campaign to have a local church built to avoid the long journey to the Cathedral. In 1822, a petition, with a covering letter co-signed by Knowles, requesting approval for a church in



Sharow was presented to the Dean of Ripon. Permission was given and Knowles designed and supervised the building of the church, which was dedicated to St John the Divine in 1825.

About 1836, Knowles and his wife moved to Scarborough, to the newly-erected Wood End House in the Crescent. Knowles soon involved himself in the life of the Town. He was an active supporter of local charities and became a local magistrate. He was also active in politics and supported Earl Mulgrave (George Phipps 1819-1890), the Liberal Parliamentary candidate for Scarborough in 1847. Knowles became a member of the Cliff Bridge Company which owned and managed Scarborough Spa. Here his architectural and engineering knowledge was put to good use assessing various proposed developments. Richard Sharp, designer of the Rotunda, and his brother Samuel submitted plans for a new Spa salon, which, with modifications suggested by Knowles, were accepted. However, the Sharps dropped out and it was the Gothic Pavilion design of Henry Wyatt (1811-1899), again with input from Knowles, that was built and opened in 1839. Knowles was also responsible for laying out the cliff gardens as part of the overall beautification of the Spa.

In January 1840, George Knowles wrote and published a pamphlet, followed by a supplement in 1844, opposing George Hudson's plan for a railway from York to Scarborough. These two documents were a careful evaluation of Hudson's proposals in terms of the financial opportunities offered by the scheme. Knowles analysed the income forecast to be had from various types of carriage - passenger, coal, fish, agricultural products, post and parcels etc. and concluded that, as a commercial opportunity, the scheme was being oversold. Knowles suggested that a double line should be built, instead of the single one proposed. While this might reduce the return on investment from the desired 10% to 7½%, Knowles argued that the line would be safer and more comfortable.

Unfortunately, Knowles's pamphlet tends to be remembered as an unreasoned broadside rather than the commercial analysis that it is.

George Hudson had claimed the railway would make Scarborough the *Brighton of the North*. Knowles' pamphlet also reports a meeting at which Hudson used the phrase *...that Queen of bathing places, the town of Scarborough*, but he later quotes Hudson as using the phrase *Queen of watering places*.

George Knowles, aged 80, died at Wood End House, 23 June 1856. Although he had lived in Scarborough some 20 years, he was buried at Sharow. There, in the church that he designed is a memorial to him, by the London sculptor Thomas Milnes. It features a broken bridge.



While the symbolism of a broken column may have been appropriate, a broken bridge on a civil engineer's memorial is, perhaps, unfortunate.

Ann Knowles continued to live at Wood End until her death in 1867 aged 72. Both George and Ann bequeathed money to support Sharow church, churchyard and the parochial school.

Society Events 2010

Civic Society Meetings are held at the Library on Vernon Road

(unless otherwise indicated)

There is a charge of £2 per head
at Society Meetings

Tuesday 12th January 2.30 pm

A TALK BY

Dr JACK BINNS

ON

THOMAS HINDERWELL (1744-1825)

a philanthropist and antiquary
who wrote the first history of Scarborough
and helped provide its first lifeboat

Tuesday 9th February

Annual Lunch at The Spa

12.00 for 12.30 p.m.

speaker

Nick Taylor

Urban Renaissance Manager

(Please see full details enclosed)

Tuesday 9th March

AGM

at the Library, Vernon Road at 7.00 p.m.

followed at 7.45 pm by a film by

Geoff Jefferson

'My Mayoral Year - by the Mayor's Consort.'

Tuesday 20th April

A Visit to Pickering

Pickering Civic Society will be hosts
and offer us a choice of two guided walks.

For our energetic members 'Old Industrial Pickering'
including limekilns and quarries.

For the rest of us, a 'Town Saunter' taking in
the main features of the town centre.

*There will be refreshments afterwards,
and an opportunity to talk and exchange ideas.*

(Further details will be issued later)

Tuesday 11th May 7.30 pm

An illustrated talk by

Anne Dennier, of Sleights, entitled

'A Lasting Legacy

The Story of Pannett Park'

Tuesday 25th May - 7.00 pm

A New Blue Plaques Walk

starting from the Library in Vernon Road

Charge £2

Tuesday 8 June

An Illustrated talk by

Anne and Paul Bayliss

entitled

'Holidays in Scarborough in 1813'

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New Life Member

Few Society members can have such a high profile
as our celebrated Town Crier, Alan Booth.

Alan has been the voice of Scarborough for 25
years, and can now add Life Membership of the
Society to the many honours already bestowed on
him.

He was made a Freeman of the Borough in 1999
and awarded the MBE in 2005.



Appropriately, Alan
is pictured here
helping both the
Borough and the
Society, as he
welcomes the Mayor
and Mayoress to one
of the Civic Society
Week Events.

Congratulations,
Alan, and thanks for
all you have done
for Scarborough.

Newsletter Contributions

from members of the Society are always welcome
and should be sent to Roger@CarltonTower.org
or handed to Roger Foster

Membership Form

Name (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Other/Co).....

Forenames.....

Address.....

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Tel.No.....

E-mail.....

Type of Membership (Please tick box)

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Married Couple..... £20

Senior /Student Single..... £12

Senior /Students Joint..... £15

Corporate Membership..... £100

Voluntary Donation..... £

You can support the Civic Society through leaving a legacy.

Please send details about how I can remember the Civic Society in my will.

Method of Payment

Cheque enclosed..... £

Standing Order (Please complete Section below)

Bankers Order Form

(Name and Address of member's bank)

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Please pay: Scarborough & District Civic Society
Acc No: 00010274 Sort Code: 40-52-40

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(amount in words).....

Ref. No. (office use only).....

now and on 1st January annually until further notice.

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Date.....

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Please return completed form to Scarborough & District Civic Society, PO Box 151, Scarborough YO12 4YJ

Gift Aid Declaration

If you are a UK taxpayer, completing this form will allow us to reclaim the tax you paid on your subscription or donation

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*the enclosed donation or subscription of £.....

*all donations or subscriptions I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise

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Signature.....Date.....

Notes:

1. If your declaration covers donations or subscriptions you may make in the future:
 - a. please notify the Society if you change your name or address while the declaration is in force.
 - b. you can cancel the declaration at any time by notifying the Society. It will not then apply to donations or subscriptions you make on or after the date of cancellation or such later date as you specify.

2. You must pay an amount of income tax and/or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax that the charity reclaims on your donations in the tax year.

3. If in the future your circumstances change and you no longer pay tax, you can cancel your Declaration. See note 1

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