

Update 9.12.23

December Quiz



A



B



C



D

Can you identify these school buildings? One is different from the others for two reasons. Which one and why?
The answers are on the last page of this Update Bulletin.

We wish all our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Programme 2023-24

*Meetings are on Mondays at 7.30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express, Ferensway (unless otherwise stated)
If you are unfamiliar with the Holiday Inn Express, please see the Directions on the last page.*

11th Dec: Hull Truck Theatre – *Janthi Mills-Ward (Executive Director) & Mark Babych (Artistic Director)* An account of a popular and innovative Hull theatre.

This talk will be preceded by the presentation of two Civic Society Good Mark certificates to the welcoming One Stop convenience store in Silver Street and for the sensitive conversion of King's building on South Church Side.

Right: Hull Truck Theatre, Ferensway
Below Left: One-Stop convenience store, Silver St.
Below Right: King's Building, South Church Side.



8th Jan: Transport around Hull - *Ian Wolstencroft* – the development of transport in Hull and district.

12th Feb: The University of Hull - *Dave Petley, Vice-Chancellor* - Past, present and future of an important educational establishment.

11th Mar: Holderness Road Revisited - *Colin Cooper* – A visual exploration of one of Hull's most important highways.

8th April 7.00 p.m.: **Annual General Meeting, followed by a talk** (*details to be confirmed*)

Situations Vacant

Richard Clarke, our Vice Chairman, has decided to step down from the Civic Society committee, for health reasons, though he will continue as a member of the Society. He has been an active committee member since 2021 and has contributed experience from his work on Barton Civic Society and Friends of Pearson Park and a lot of good sense, which brought perspective to our decision-making. His presence at committee meetings will be greatly missed, though his continuing interest in the Society is much appreciated; he has already submitted a new article for the next Newsletter.

We are always ready to welcome new (and especially younger) committee members, but an appeal for reinforcements on the committee has now taken on a new urgency.

If you are interested in joining the committee, please email us via the "Contact us" page of the Hull Civic Society website or approach one of the committee members at one of our monthly meetings at the Holiday Inn Express. The committee normally meets at 7.30 p.m. at Ye Olde White Harte, Silver Street, on the first Tuesday of each month, though the date may be changed for the benefit of a member if he or she will be unable to attend on the usual date.

Other People's Events

Barton upon Humber Civic Society

Meets 3rd Friday of the Month at 7.30 p.m. (unless otherwise shown) at Joseph Wright Hall or the adjacent Wilderspin School, Queen St, Barton.

Beverley Civic Society

Meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month (except June to August) at 7.30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, Beverley.

14th Dec "The Tree Planting Programme" - *Leah Cave, Humber Forest Partnership Manager, ERYC*

A talk with some Christmas fare for all of us.

11th Jan East Riding of Yorkshire Conservation Team

8th Feb "Civic Voice" *Martin Hamilton*

14th March "The Belford Emigrants of 1906" *Jane Bowen*

11th April "Beverley's part in the Peasants' Revolt of 1380"

9th May East Riding Yeomanry *Neil Hutty*

Cottingham Local History Society

Meets on the 1st Wed. of the month 7.45 p.m. at Cottingham Civic Hall, Oct-April.

3 Jan "Hull's Old Town Fortifications from Edward II to Queen Victoria" *Pete Walker*

7 Feb "Cottingham Through a Postcard Publisher's Lens" *Rachel Waters*

6 Mar "Ships Sail Right into the Heart of Hull" *Colin Cooper*

3 April Annual General Meeting and social event for members

Hessle Local History Society

Meets in Hessle Town Hall from March to November at 7.15 pm on the third Thursday of the month.

Hull & East Riding Historical Association

Meets at the Danish Church, Osborne St, Hull HU1 2PN at 7.30 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday of the month

National Trust East Yorkshire Association

Meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month (except December) at 7.30 pm at Cottingham Civic Hall

18 Jan "Georgian Hull" *Paul Schofield*

15 Feb "History of Fountains Abbey" *David Chellingworth*

21 Mar "Susannah Wesley – Mother of Methodism" *Catherine Fordham*

18 Apr Robert Adam – Architect to the Nobility" *Tony Burkitt*

Planning Report & Work Observed November - December

Old Town

- Queen's Gardens – the process of planting semi-mature trees began in November.
- No. 2 Parliament St – permission was given in w/c 13/11 for the offices to become 4 flats.
- Whitefriargate – at no. 34-35 (former Burton's), the refurbishment work by Wykeland continues. In w/c 13/11, there was an application also to refurbish no.36 (Whitefriargate News) and create an internal link to the Burton's building (planning ref. 23/03339/LBC). We reported an application to install a new shop front at 36 Whitefriargate in the November Update.

City Centre

- Demolition of the former BHS / Co-op building continues.
- Many people speak with sadness of the closure of Hammonds of Hull, Paragon Square, and the ground



floor is still empty, with no certain indication of a new use. However, the upper floors are still fully in use by ResQ call centre and in w/c 22/11, Leeds architects Crowther, Turner & Booth submitted an application on behalf of HoH landlord, Redefine Paragon Square (Hull) Limited, for:

1. Replacement of existing means-of-escape door with new glazed automated double door set to afford access off West Street to the West Street stairwell.

2. New passenger lift to access floors 3 and 4.
 3. New passenger platform lift to afford level access to the property from the West Street elevation.
 4. Refurbishment of the West Street Stairwell between Ground and fourth floor to renew finishes and make the area wind- and watertight.
 5. New Lighting 1.8 Provision of new tenant signage and external lighting.
- (planning ref. 23/03453/FULL).

The application documents make it clear that a new roof terrace or “break-out area” is also to be created for the use of employees who currently take their breaks for fresh air or smoking on the pavement in front of the building.

- At the eastern end of West St, the former Hull Drawing shop, (briefly home to a Dark History Museum, from March to May 2019) is being refurbished with new shop front and new upper floor windows (observed 24.11.23)



Right: West St – former Hull Drawing shop
Below: 12 Grimston St – 1 Jarratt St (30.7.08)



- Work continues slowly on the listed property at 1 Jarrett St / 12 Grimston St. New wooden window frames and period-appropriate glazing have been installed (observed 6.11.23).

East

- Kingswood – in w/c 27/11, there was an application to develop two parcels of land between Richmond Way and the River Hull with 214 homes in Zone A and 236 homes in Zone B and landscaped “aquagreen” for flood protection. (Planning ref: 19/01511/FULL)

In w/c 13/11, at St Philip’s Church, Amethyst Rd, permission was granted for a single-storey side extension for use as a multipurpose hall and a rear extension for use as a store-room (planning ref Ref. No: 23/00229/FULL)

Conversion of 458-462 Holderness Rd, a former Kwiksave supermarket, into new uses has the subject of planning applications for many years. The application to change part of the front block into a restaurant came in February 1994 and the warehouse at the rear into a gym came in July 1995. The latest of several amendments to the current scheme for mixed retail, leisure and residential use was submitted in w/c 13/11. (Planning ref 23/03381/FULL)



North

- In August 2023, John Symons House in Park Row, off Park St seemed in danger of demolition, but hope of a new future for the handsome 1850s building came with a new and more sympathetic application for conversion to a 23-bed house in multiple occupation submitted in w/c 6/11. (Planning ref. 23/03381/FULL)



It was announced on 6th December that Stepney had been chosen to be part of the Government’s “High Street Accelerator Scheme” pilot programmes, aimed to rejuvenate shopping districts. Hull Civic Society has been invited to be involved, as this is a natural sequel to our involvement in the Beverley Rd Townscape Heritage Scheme, which will be completed at the end of March 2024.



Three views of Beverley Road at Stepney

One of the two Major Projects of the Beverley Rd THS was demolition and rebuilding of 52a-54 Beverley Rd, part of Brunswick Arcade. The scaffolding was removed, in early November, restoring Beverley Road’s carriageway and pavement to its normal width and revealing careful attention to architectural detail in the rebuilding process. The other Major Project, the former Trafalgar Street Church, is now surrounded by scaffolding as conversion into a community centre progresses.



Above left & right: Brunswick Arcade, Beverley Rd 9.11.23 The green netting is in front of the rebuilt section (52a-54).
Left: Trafalgar Street Church seen in 2015.

Directions to the Holiday Inn Express (for the benefit of new members)

The street-level entrance on Ferensway is under a canopy between "Superdry" clothes shop and the Albemarle Music Centre & Hull Truck. There is a lift to the 1st floor reception and the meeting room is also on the 1st floor. If you are arriving by car, the best place to park is in the St Stephen's multi-storey car park (not to be confused with Tesco car park!), which costs a flat rate of £1 for any length of time after 6.p.m. There is a door from the car park into the 1st floor of the Holiday Inn Express. Unlimited tea and coffee will be available from the lobby next to the bar area.



Above: Holiday Inn Express Hotel.

Answers to December Quiz: A. St George's Rd, B. Park Ave, C. Charterhouse Lane, D. Malton St. A is the odd one out because it is still in use as a school and, secondly it was built by Newington School Board, while B, C and D all have new uses and were built by the Hull School Board.