



# Civic Society News

September 2024



**Next Speakers Meeting**  
**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September**  
**In the Memorial Hall 7.30pm**

**Non-Members welcome £3 admission**

**“There’s more to Tenerife than Playa del Ingles”**  
**Chris Freeman**

Our thanks to Chris Freeman for swapping months with Tim Forman, who will now be with us in October.



“This talk will take us on a journey through time, from when the first parts of the volcano broke the sea surface to the overlaying of the central massif we see today. We look at the lives of the indigenous people, their homes and beliefs and the island's invaders of the past and present.”



Dear Members,

I'll open this month with a **thank you to our October speaker, Chris Freeman** who has kindly agreed to swap months with Tim Forman. Tim will now join us for our October meeting. The talk by Chris promises to be fascinating, telling us the story behind Tenerife as opposed to the holiday façade which is normally portrayed.



**The August Summer Party** proved popular again and thanks to Chill Pill who gave our dancing shoes a good workout.

**We are now into our Civic Society 2024 – 2025 year.**

Thank you to all those who have renewed your subscriptions, much appreciated..... and a little reminder if you haven't got round to it yet. There are

lots of ways you can pay including two more drop in dates at the Hub, 10 – 12 am on September 10<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. This year's membership card is orange and black and as ever has details of our meetings, trustees and publications.



**Climate Action Addingham (CAA) Water Week**

You may remember that in our August newsletter there was a brief report about Climate Action Addingham **Water Week** and it was noted that further detail about the Water Week events would be published on the Climate Action Addingham (CAA) website. Just click this [link](#) to take you to all the reports and photographs. So you can now catch up if you didn't manage to attend any of the events.

**Our Autumn Fair  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

Just to keep you busy with another date for your diary.

As ever we'll be really grateful for any donations of goods, bottles, tombola gifts and cakes  
Thank you.

And finally, have you spotted Jim's latest art work?



With best wishes  
Gill

**The West Yorkshire Local Nature Recovery Strategy**

We are delighted to have been asked to join the West Yorkshire discussion about the Local Nature Recovery Strategy. This paragraph outlines its aims. *"This strategy is one of 48 spatial mapping and planning tools. Together these will cover the whole of England and help to create a Nature Recovery Network of wildlife-rich places. This has been set out in the Environment Act 2021. The aim is to expand, improve and connect these places across our town, cities, countryside and coast. This will help us deal with three of the biggest challenges we face today: biodiversity loss, climate change and wellbeing."*

More information about the Local Nature Recovery Strategy can be found here: <https://www.yourvoice.westyorks-ca.gov.uk/wynature>  
And we'll keep you updated with progress.

## Revision of the National Policy Framework (NPPF) 2024

Malcolm Keeble

(Chair of ACS Planning Group)

**Housing Crisis** There is a general consensus that England is in the grip of a housing crisis. The main reasons put forward are that insufficient houses are being built resulting in new homes being unaffordable for many potential purchasers. There are also questions as to whether these new houses are fit for purpose.

**New Housing Targets** Acknowledging this, the new Government has acted swiftly by increasing the annual target from the current 300,000 new homes per annum (pa) to 370,000 pa with 1,500,000 to be built by the next election. It is worth noting that the last Government struggled to build 200,000 homes pa. Housing quality is to be addressed by the wider use of "Design Codes". There will be a higher percentage of "affordable" homes and homes for social rent. More locally, the total annual number of houses to be constructed in Yorkshire and the Humber Region has been increased from 18,699 to 27,433 pa..

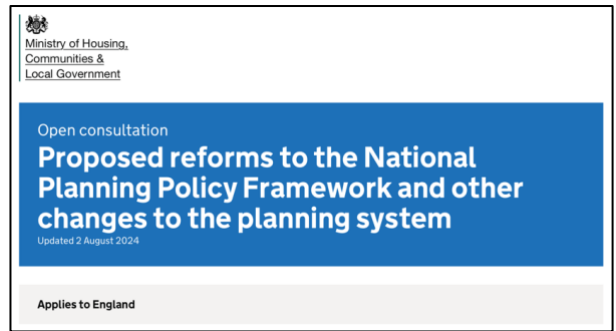
**Consultation** To facilitate these ambitious goals the Government wants to modify the current NPPF (its overarching planning policy guidance), by the end of this year. A consultation including 106 questions, has been launched on the changes it wants to make. This closes on 24<sup>th</sup> September. ACS Planning Group is working its way through this document and will make a formal response.

**Bradford and Addingham** It would be good to give a simple answer as to how these changes are likely to affect Addingham. However, nothing is straightforward in planning! Bradford is working on the next stage of its Local Plan, a Draft Regulation 19 document, identifying detailed sites to accommodate the requisite number of houses across the district. In Addingham the latest number we have is 175 houses over the next 15 years. It is unclear whether the uplift for Yorkshire and the Humber will have an impact on the number of houses for Addingham. Under the last Government Bradford was originally required to build 1,700 homes pa a number subsequently increased by 35% to 2,295 which is the figure currently being applied. Under the new Government's proposed calculation, the figure becomes 2089. The Government is removing the 35% uplift from the 20 largest cities (including Bradford) casting doubt on the situation!

**In summary** it is not clear what the impact will be for Addingham but it will probably delay publication of Bradford's Draft Reg 19 report. However, there will be huge pressure on Local Authorities to get houses built and that will be felt in Addingham!

The Government Consultation Document together with the current NPPF Policy containing the tracked changes the Government wishes to make, will be uploaded to the Planning section of the Society Website. If, in the meantime, you wish to respond to the consultation it can be found [here](#).

ACS's response to the consultation will be posted later in September.



The image is a promotional banner for the 2024 Addingham Beer Festival. On the left, there are four glasses of different colored beers (pilsener, stout, golden, and red). Below them, the text reads: 'For all the details about the 2024 Addingham Beer Festival go to their website. https://www.addinghambeerfest.co.uk Or click here.' On the right, there is a screenshot of the festival's website. The website header says 'Addingham Beer Festival 4th &amp; 5th October 2024' and features a circular logo. The navigation menu includes 'Home', 'Tickets 2024', 'Sponsor Opportunities', 'The Beers', 'Order', 'Gin &amp; More', 'Food', 'Sponsors', 'Good Causes', and 'About'. A message states: 'We are busy behind the scenes getting ready, tickets will go on sale very soon'. Another message says: 'Sponsorship Deals for 2024 Beer Festival now available, check out the opportunities page or email us for further information'. At the bottom, there is a 'contact us' button and social media icons for Facebook and Twitter. A small note at the very bottom says: 'Over 18's only. With the exception of assistance dogs no dogs are permitted on the premises.'

## Sugar Hill: A tale of sweet and slavery Don Barrett – Heritage Group

This little lane in the centre of the village now has few buildings but quite a few stories to tell.

The photo shows how the area looked in about 1880, **before** the railway was built. The Hen Pen and Sugar Hill can be seen behind the lady with the white apron but all the buildings on the right and the cottages opposite were demolished and replaced by the high railway bridge which dominated the lane – the remains of the walled embankment can still be seen at the top of the green.

The first building on the left, is York Cottage, 1, Sugar Hill, which has a 1730 datestone, and the house to the west of this is 114 Main St, now called Baker's Cottage because behind this is what was the village bakehouse and still retains the old 'beehive' oven where the village housewives would take their dough to be baked. Later, the baker opened a shop across Main Street (now Tiempo ladies' hairdressers) and the fact that cakes and other sugary things would have been produced at the bakehouse might have been the origin of the name Sugar Hill but see below. This is the former home of Major Ashby who kept hens in the enclosed area now the Hen Pen Garden, but this may have previously been the playground for the Old School children as well as housing the school earth closets. The Major gave this to the village in 1979 for a peppercorn rent on condition that it be maintained as a public garden. To make it visible from the road, the front wall was later reduced in height and the area has since been much improved by the Garden Friends.

The next building up the hill is Croft Cottage, previously with a barn, and round the corner is Crayke Cottage. Until recently this was a small cottage (to the left) with a larger barn to the right. Arnold Pacey recognised that the lintel beam over the cart entrance had holes in it indicating that it had been re-used. This, and some beams from inside, were dated to the 15<sup>th</sup> Century showing that they came from medieval building, possibly one of those demolished for the railway. Behind Crayke Cottage is the field Crayke's Croft and on the other side of the lane is Walker Croft. But where does slavery come in? Well, following the abolition of slavery three released slaves were brought to Addingham as servants. One of those, a lady, worked in the Sugar Hill area but had been enslaved on a sugar plantation in the Caribbean so could that have been the reason for Sugar Hill? Who knows?



### Ilkley Civic Society

Our friends at Ilkley Civic Society have sent us their poster advertising a Heritage Walk focussing on their Blue Plaques Upper Trail – a date for your diary.

And do have a look at their website [here](https://civicsociety.ilkeley.org). All their events are listed.

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**Thank you to all our speakers, volunteers, subscribers & contributors to the Newsletter**

**Please send entries for the October Newsletter before Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September.  
to Jane Welby**

**[secretary@addinghamcivicsociety.co.uk](mailto:secretary@addinghamcivicsociety.co.uk)**

**Addingham Environment Group for Children  
THE SAPLINGS**



Do you know a young person who might like to join us, aged between 5 – 12 ?

Someone who enjoys nature and the outdoors.



We meet at the Addingham Hub, Main Street, on the first Saturday of the month between 10 - 12



If you are interested or would like more information contact us on:

[aeg@addingham.info](mailto:aeg@addingham.info)  
or  
01943 839792

**Rick Battarbee writes**

“Following the very successful CAA Water Week in July, we are now looking forward to the fourth and last themed week of the year, CAA Zero Carbon Week. This is a week in which we are promoting our ten village objectives for “carbon and energy” listed on the CAA website (<https://www.climateactionaddingham.info/objectives>). They are:

1. Reducing personal carbon footprints
2. Insulating our homes better
3. Decreasing fossil fuel dependence for home heating
4. Increasing renewable energy generation
5. Flying less
6. Switching to electric vehicles
7. Walking and cycling more
8. Using public transport more
9. Increasing plant-based diets
10. Sequestering organic carbon

**Zero Carbon Week**  
23<sup>rd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> September



**What can we do to reduce our carbon footprint?**

7.30 pm, Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2024  
Mt Hermon Chapel

Are you interested in **insulating your home** better, installing an **air source heat pump**, installing **solar panels** or buying an **electric vehicle**?

Come along to the meeting, listen to the experiences of residents who are already on the journey, hear from professionals who provide services and advice, ask questions, have your say, and take part in the discussion.



**All welcome!**

During the week there will be a public meeting in Mt Hermon on “**What can we do to reduce our carbon footprint?**”. A draft programme for the meeting can be found on the CAA website [here](#)”

**The Pop up Refill Stall** is run by Civic Society and Environment Group volunteers and will be open for business on the following Thursday mornings between 10.00 - 11.30 at Mount Hermon.



- 12 September,**
- 10 October,**
- 14 November**
- 12 December**

Why not stop for a coffee at the Mount Hermon Coffee Pot while we refill your bottles?

As we run on a not-for-profit basis we can keep our prices low, and we sell by volume so you can buy as much or little as you like.

Here are our prices:

- Surface cleaner, washing up liquid, fabric conditioner £2.00 per litre
- Laundry liquid £2.60 per litre
- Liquid hand soap £1.70 per 500ml
- Hair shampoo, shower gel/body wash £2.00 per 500ml
- Shampoo bars £2.50 each
- Soap bars £2.30 each.



**ACS Subscriptions for 2024 – 2025**

**Thank you to all those who have paid their subscriptions, but for those who haven't got round to it yet, here are several ways to pay and please note the subs are £11.00 per person.**

**How to Pay**

Drop-in at the Hub; **Tuesday September 10<sup>th</sup>**, 10-12, and **Thursday September 26<sup>th</sup>**, 10 – 12 where you can pay by cash, cheque or card.

Via PayPal on our website. You don't need a PayPal account, just a credit or debit card.

<https://www.addinghamcivicsociety.org.uk/acs/index.php/membership/test-cart>

You can pay by BACs, Standing Order, Telephone Banking, Card, Cheque, Cash

**Transaction details**

ACS Account No: 34995727

ACS Sort Code: 05-05-30

Your reference: First 3 characters of surname and the last 3 characters of post code (eg. BATOPD)

## Addingham Sports Day

After the success of the first Addingham Sports Day in 2023, we're pleased to let you know that the event will take place again this year on Sunday 8th September.

The day will allow villagers of all ages and abilities the opportunity to take part in a variety of sports and games, showcasing the fantastic local facilities and clubs whilst also promoting the benefits of exercise and fun as part of a healthy lifestyle.

The programme will include netball, rounders, tennis, football, table tennis, bowls, petanque, pilates, yoga, zumba, fitness classes, and even Addingham's own take on a 'parkrun'. A full schedule for the day can be found on social media and posters around the village.

All activities will be entirely free and for most of them there's no requirement to sign up in advance - just turn up on the day and get involved! Locations are the MUGA, the football field, the Scout hut, Memorial Hall, Petanque court and Bowling Club.

Please do make your families and friends aware too. It would be wonderful to see as many participants as possible. If you have any questions or would like to get involved in the organisation of the day please contact Daniel Keating using [AddinghamSportsDay@outlook.com](mailto:AddinghamSportsDay@outlook.com)

We hope to see you there.

**Sunday 8th September**  
**ADDINGHAM SPORTS DAY**

**SarcomaUK**  
The bone & soft tissue cancer charity

**Addingham FC football pitch**

9:30 - 10:30	Addingham 'Parkrun'
11:00 - 12:00	Fitness For Everyone (w/Steve King Army Fit)
2:00 - 3:00	Football For All
3:00 - 4:00	Rounders (w/Dingham Dashers Rounders Team)

**Memorial Hall**

9:30 - 10:30	Pilates class (w/Steve Walther - over 16's only)
11:00 - 12:00	Yoga class (w/April Brown - over 16's only)

**MUGA**

9:00 - 10:00	Over 40's football (w/Addingham Social Club)
10:00 - 10:45	Zumba Fit (w/Emma Draper Fitness)
11:00 - 12:00	Netball (w/Addingham Netball Club)
2:00 - 4:00	Tennis

**Petanque court / Bowls Club**

2:00 - 4:00	Try Bowls! (w/Addingham Bowls Club)
2:00 - 4:00	Try Petanque! (w/Addingham Civic Society)

**Addingham Scout Hut**

10:00 - 12:00 and 2:00 - 4:00	Table Tennis (w/Addingham Table Tennis Club)
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All activities completely FREE. Donations to Sarcoma UK welcomed  
Refreshments courtesy of Addingham Beer Festival & Addingham Scouts

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