

# **Addingham Heritage Group**

Planning Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025

# Minutes

**Present:** Gill Battarbee (**GB**), Don Barrett (**DB**), Malcolm Birdsall (**Mbi**), Pam Birdsall (**PB**), Ian Cameron (**IC**) - Chair, Chris Cobley (**CC**), Barbara Durack (**BD**), Richard Durack (**RD**), Paul Harris (**PH**), Rob Smith (**RS**) – Minutes, Jonathan White (**JW**)

# 1. Apologies

Mike Bolton (MB), Gary Copping (GC), David Johnston (DJ)

# 2. Minutes of the previous meeting (12<sup>th</sup> May 2025)

Approved as correct and can be published on the ACS website.

# 3. Matters arising (not covered elsewhere)

# 3.1. Follow up on new photos for the Photoarchive

JW has made email contact with Ann Knight. She would like to see the photographs in order to provide more information. IC, MB to check if they have the photos.

ACTION: IC/MB

# 4. Yorkshire Heritage Summit in Skipton on May 13<sup>th</sup>

# 4.1. General Feedback

IC reported that there had been much interest in the AHG display. On hindsight the ACS' Blue Plaque Trail booklet could have been made available for sale. GB had attended the symposium which had been of mixed quality. Onea theme had been on the challenge of attracting more members in the 20-30s age group but this had not come to any definite solutions. IC had provided feedback to the organisers.

# 4.2. Banner Designs

The summit had been used as an opportunity to learn more about banner design. IC, CC, JW, GB all gave feedback.on which worked well. CC mentioned the potential value of different banners for different types of events. IC, RD, GB would arrange a further meeting to discuss the AHG banner. **ACTION**: **IC**,**GB**,**RD** 

# 5. Gala on Saturday July 12<sup>th</sup>

AHG agreed to take a table. BD, Mbi, PB, JW offered to host the display and IC offered to help with the content. **ACTION: IC, BD, MBi**, **PB**, **JW** 

### 6. Blue Plaque Walk for YACS visit on July 26<sup>th</sup>

There have been preliminary discussions on how to adapt a version of the successful Heritage Walk of May 11<sup>th</sup> to make it suitable for the July 26<sup>th</sup> visit. These will be finalized before the next Planning Meeting.

#### 7. Report of Matters from the ACS Trustees' Meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup>

#### 7.1. Possible Conservation Area Review

IC reported that there was interest from the Planning Group and advice would be sought from Bradford Council. CC commented that David Blackburn (Ilkley Civic Society) is willing to share Ilkley's experience on this if required.

#### ACTION: GB

#### 7.2. Planning Group membership

On behalf of the ACS, GC is joining the ACS Planning Group which was viewed as helpful from a Heritage Group perspective.

#### 7.3. Suggestions for Future Speakers at ACS Meetings

These should be made to Jayne Hood for the 2026 programme. Mbi expressed interest in providing a talk on the vernacular architecture of Addingham. GB to follow up with Jayne Hood.

#### 7.4. AHG financial balance

This currently stands at £480.56

#### 8. ACS Publications

#### 8.1. Recommended Book Pricing

In view Of Amazon changing it's royalty rate, DB has produced, for Chris Ensor, a list of revised prices for ACS publications (prices have not increased for some time). AHG members were in favour of DB's recommendations and IC would report this support at the next ACS meeting.

#### 8.2. Death in Addingham

The ACS Trustees have approved the publication. CC was congratulated on the proof copy that was circulated for inspection. The cover photograph is stunning and photographs of all 3 sites included. The text, including the section on the Greenwood Mausoleum by BD was much appreciated. CC will send a copy to the editor of the Dalesman for potential review and advertising. The 40 page booklet will be launched at the July ACS members' meeting (and available in September onwards.)

#### 8.3. Domesday Book

The copy of the Yorkshire edition of this which has been offered to the ACS is to be kept. GB will write to Margaret Norris thanking her for gifting it. She will also put a note in the next Newsletter to say that it may be referred to in the Hub, where it is currently housed.. IC will ensure a "Reference Only" label is attached.

# 9. VE Day Exhibition in August

JW has researched the Gazette archive for coverage of local records during August and September 1945 which will be of use and can be copied at Hadfields. He has also contacted Phyllis Robinson. The school year photograph from 1945, with all names of the pupils known, will be included, as will material from the WW2 book by Richard Thackrah.

The Parish Council have declined the offer for the village to keep the display case on permanent loan from Cliffe Castle, and the Clerk has ordered for it to be returned. GB will discuss with Lucy to at least keep it in the Hub until after August so that exhibits can be displayed in it. **ACTION: GB** 

#### 10. 1683 Project

MB will coordinate a subgroup meeting to progress this and report back. ACTION:MB

#### 11. Capturing Covid-19 Experiences

The subgroup is due to meet again on 17<sup>th</sup> June (deferred to July 8<sup>th</sup> post- planning meeting). IC is due to meet with the school staff on June 18<sup>th</sup>, and has also completed a further health worker questionnaire. **ACTION: IC, RS, GC** 

# 12. Work Plan up to March 2026 available on pCloud

#### 12.1 Current project updates

GC has uploaded onto pCloud the images from PH of the Co-Op raid.

# 12.2 AHG Speaker's meeting on September 18<sup>th</sup>

The intention has been to focus on listed buildings and IC will contact DJ about this. IC will not be present and asked RS to introduce the talk. **ACTION: IC, DJ, RS** 

#### 13. ACS Newsletter Articles

IC intends compiling a series of five consecutive articles on Georgian confectioners that could start in December.In which case JW offered to consider covering both September and October writing two articles on footpaths.

#### 14. AOB

- a. **Farfield Meeting House**: CC reported that the handover to Friends of Friendless Churches will occur later in the year. Chris Skidmore (Ilkley) is to organise a meeting. PB would be interested in attending.
- **b.** <u>Photoarchive photographs</u>: JW has had success in adding 2 more photos of listed buildings to the archive. Attempts of additional ones from Farfield Hall have not been successful. Others from Smallbanks have been more encouraging. GB raised the need for a record of the recent fire at the Joyful Deli, IC would follow up

ACTION: IC

**c.** <u>Ilkley CS exhibition of the Great Flood</u>: GB publicised the display that is on show at the Manor House through June and July.

- Community Archives and Heritage Group: IC reported that the national group's AGM would be held in Huddersfield on June 19<sup>th</sup> and that he will attend and report back.
- **15.** Date of next meeting: Monday July 14<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 5.30pm in The Hub.

(Apologies noted – RS)