

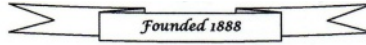


# Newsletter



of the

Great Yarmouth Local History & Archaeological Society



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## GYLHAS Committee

## Inside

Some of the committee are aging and will soon be retiring and we would welcome new members. If you are interested in joining the committee contact Patricia Day at [infogylhas@gmail.com](mailto:infogylhas@gmail.com). If you are uncertain, you would be very welcome to attend committee meetings as an observer to watch proceedings before coming to a decision. As one committee member said the committee meetings are light-hearted, yet of a high quality, and are quite good fun. The committee meets about six times a year on a Thursday evening.

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## Trafalgar Dinner

The committee have organised the usual Trafalgar dinner at the Imperial Hotel on Saturday 19th October at 7.30pm. If you are interested in attending please email [infogylhas@gmail.com](mailto:infogylhas@gmail.com) so that we can book a large enough room. So far 20 members have expressed an interest.



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the Abbey (this will last about 45 minutes or so) and there will be some time to look around



Wymondham before going onto West Stow. There we will visit the West Stow Museum and the recreated Anglo Saxon village. The guided tour of the recreated Anglo Saxon village will last about 2 hours and there will be

time to look around the Museum exhibitions. We will be leaving West Stow at 5pm. The cost of the Coach will be £14.17. The Wymondham Abbey tour is £5.00 per person and the West Stow tour is £8.00 per person. For non-members of the Society there is an extra £2.00 per person to cover insurance.

## GYLHAS Summer Excursion Monday 22nd July, 2024

*There are still places on this trip available. The booking form is on Page 2. If you have not already signed up and wish to come along, please complete the form and return it to Michael Wadsworth or complete the form online that is to be found on the Society's webpage.* The excursion is to Wymondham, where we will have a guided tour around

# Coach Excursion to Wymondham Abbey and West Stow Museum and Anglo Saxon Village Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2024

This year's coach excursion is to Wymondham Abbey, where we will have a guided tour around the Abbey, and then onto the West Stow Museum and Anglo Saxon village. There will be a guided tour of the recreated Anglo Saxon village. The excursion will be on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2024. The tour of Wymondham Abbey is estimated to last between 45 minutes and an hour. There will be time to have lunch at Wymondham before going onto West Stow. It is estimated that the tour at West Stow will last about 2 hours.

There will be four pick-up points:

- 1) The Tramway, Lowestoft Road, Gorleston – 8.50am,
- 2) Stand A, Market Gates (outside Poundstretcher) – 9.10am,
- 3) Barnard Crescent – 9.20am,
- 4) Caister Police Station – 9.30am.

We will be leaving West Stow at 5pm and expect to be back in Great Yarmouth and Gorleston between 6.30pm and 7.10pm. The cost of the Coach will be £14.17. The tour of Wymondham Abbey is £5.00 per person and the tour of West Stow is £8.00 per person. For non-members of the Society there is an extra £2.00 per person to cover insurance.

If you wish to join the coach trip please complete the form below and send with a cheque made payable to GYLHAS and send it to: Michael Wadsworth, 38 Priory Street, Gorleston, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk NR31 6NG. Payment can also be made via online banking using account name – GYLHAS - Sort code 40-22-22 - Account number 00401331 adding your surname and TRIP 24 as a reference.

Name(s):

Contact phone number:

Number of places required (£14.17 per person):

Pick-up point:

Tramway, Lowestoft Road, Gorleston (8.50am)

Stand A Market Gates (outside Poundstretcher) (9.10am)

Barnard Crescent (9.20am)

Caister Police Station (9.30am)

Insurance for Non-members (£2.00)

Total:

I enclose a cheque/PO for:

# Proposed Conference 10th May 2025

Following three previous successful all day programmes devoted to a larger subject than we normally tackle, Great Yarmouth Local History & Archaeological Society has planned to hold a 'Day School' with the title of 'East Anglia in the Early Medieval Period 410 -1066 A.D.'.



are:

Professor Emeritus Katie Cubitt at the School of History, University of East Anglia.

Professor Rory Naismith of Corpus Christi College Cambridge In the Department of Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic Studies.



Dr Keith Ruiter, Inter Disciplinary Medieval History at the University of Suffolk.

It was suggested that following periods be discussed but the speakers will decide.

The end of Roman Rule and the Anglo-Saxon invasions and settlement.

The Viking raids, invasion and settlement.

The Wessex ascendancy under Alfred the Great and his successors.

The confused State of England prior to Rule of King Cnut. Maybe to the Norman Conquest.

The conference is planned for Saturday 10th May 2025 at the Imperial Hotel on North Drive, Great Yarmouth and the cost will probably be £36. for a splendid buffet lunch and all the tea, coffee and fruit juice a normal mortal can drink. We plan to take bookings in February next year.

On a personal note, I would like to say, how helpful the academic people contacted have been in preparing our conference and even those people who were unable to speak in Yarmouth kindly replied suggesting other

speakers. I had only had heard of two people living in East Anglia in the period. These were, St Fursey an Irish monk who settled at Burgh Castle for some years and Saint Edmund, the last East Anglian King martyred by the Danes but a broader perspective will arise.

*Andrew Fakes*

## Neighbourhood planning

### What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

A Neighbourhood Plan is prepared by a local community to decide on the use and development of a designated area. The lead for the development of the Neighbourhood Plan is normally the local Parish Council for that designated area. Once in place, these plans are referred to whenever a planning application has been submitted to the Council. Neighbourhood Plans have been adopted for Filby, Fleggburgh, Hemsby, Rollesby and Winterton-on-Sea. Consultations for the Neighbourhood Plan for Belton with Browston, Burgh Castle and Fritton with St Olaves are being carried out at present and a Neighbourhood Plan for Ormesby St Margaret with Scratby is currently being prepared. The plan for Hopton-on-Sea is not being taken forward at the moment.

### Who prepares a neighbourhood plan?

A Neighbourhood Plan is developed by the local community by means of what is called the 'neighbourhood body'. Those areas that have a Parish Council, then the Parish Council would be the 'neighbourhood body'. In those areas that do not have a Parish Council, then some other community based group can be formed which can then apply to the Borough Council to become the 'neighbourhood body'.

Where the Parish Council is the 'neighbourhood body', it is seen as being good practice for the Parish Council to set up a working party to take the lead in developing the plan. This working party can be composed of both Parish Councillors and those co-opted from the local community

who are not serving Parish Councillors. There should be a clear set of terms of reference which govern the working party and how it relates to the local Parish Council.

However, at the end of the process it is the Parish Council that formally approves the plan, who to be consulted and whether or not to formally submit the plan to the Borough Council.

It is permissible for the neighbourhood body to seek advice from consultants and other advisers, but there must be a firm idea of what these consultants and advisors are to be asked to do in regard to the planning issues they want to be looked at. It is also important that those being consulted have experience of dealing with planning and development issues and should have the relevant professional qualifications. A clear set of expectations of what is required, along with any reviews and the time within which the work needs to be completed in needs to be agreed before any work is started. Information about Neighbourhood Plans can be found on the Great Yarmouth Borough Council website.

## **GYLHAS Publications**

Several members are involved in research and local studies on behalf of the society and have published monographs and books. Where available, publications can be purchased from the Committee. A selection of sold out monographs have been made freely available to read online.

### ***Books Published by GYLHAS***

Historic Great Yarmouth: by Margaret Gooch ISBN 978-0957609211

More Plaques in and around Great Yarmouth and Gorleston: by Paul P. Davies ISBN 978-1-944241-98-8

Even More Plaques in and around Great Yarmouth and Gorleston: by Paul Davies ASIN: B0B3T9FD4G

St Georges, Great Yarmouth – Chapel, Church Arts Centre: by Paul P. Davies ISBN 978-0-9544509-8-4

### ***Monographs Published by GYLHAS***

Monograph Seventeen: Rules for Housekeepers at Palmers 1884

Monograph Twenty: Society Bulletins 1 to 56 (1968-1979)

Monograph Twenty-one: Great Yarmouth 1970 to 2000.

Graveyard Symbolism: The Churchyard and Cemeteries, Great Yarmouth by Paul P. Davies and B. Heriz ISBN 978-1-5272-2967-9

Seventeenth Century Great Yarmouth Tokens and their issuers: by Adrian Marsden

## **The Barn at Hall Farm, Hemsby**

The Hall Farm Barn is a Grade 1 Listed Building which was listed on 4<sup>th</sup> December, 1987. It is also listed under the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 because of its special architectural and/or historic interest. It is stated on the Norfolk Heritage Explorer website that the barn at Hall Farm is regarded as being Norfolk's oldest timber-framed building. Described as being an early 14<sup>th</sup> Century timber frame building which had brick walls added to it some time in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century. In some parts of the barn, some flint has also been used in its construction. The building is a five steady aisled barn with a thatched roof. There are two symmetrically placed double timber doors rising into swept eyebrows on the north side of the building and the south side doors are now blocked.

During 2015, Historic England conducted a tree ring analysis on samples taken from different timbers throughout the barn. It was discovered that the trees had been felled in about 1283 and all were felled at the same time. The roof was originally gabled but is now half hipped. The thatched roof is understood to date from the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. This has been put forward by the Vernacular Architecture Group following a summer visit to Norfolk 1997. They also commented on the irregularity in the timbering. Some emergency thatching repairs were undertaken in August 2020. The barn has some 20<sup>th</sup> Century sloping brick buttresses to west and several 18<sup>th</sup> Century brick piers throughout. The associated Hall farmhouse is no longer standing.

The Great Yarmouth Preservation Trust, who described the building as 'a remarkable medieval survival', purchased the building in 2019 and funding is being sought for its full restoration. It is envisaged that in the future it could be used either as an events space, or a centre for traditional skills training and holiday accommodation.