

## Further Information

This conference is aimed both at beginners wishing to learn how to record vernacular buildings and people with more experience seeking to increase their knowledge and understanding. We set out to discover and record selected buildings with phases dating from the post-medieval to the early modern. Two **YVBSG bursaries** of £150 each will again be available to help pay for attendance at the annual recording conference. They are in commemoration of our long-standing and committed member Tony Tolhurst, who died in November 2013. Applicants should read the conditions, complete and return the bursary form on the website [www.yvbsg.org.uk](http://www.yvbsg.org.uk).

## Accommodation and Travel

Rooms are still available at the main conference venue, The Fairway Hotel. The hotel is 3 miles west of Barnsley in the suburb of Dodworth and 5 mins walk from Dodworth railway station. Conference participants should make their own B&B bookings on 0871 2002289, website <http://www.newcountryinns.com/Restaurants/Barnsley.aspx>. Please remember to mention the Conference when doing so or use the conference B&B rate quote 311216.

For alternative accommodation in Barnsley try <http://www.visit-barnsley.com/where-to-stay>. Travel Info: [www.yorkshiretravel.net](http://www.yorkshiretravel.net) or call 0871 2002233.

## Studying Vernacular Buildings

Vernacular buildings are those which are typical for an area, built from local materials and following a local 'style'. By studying these buildings in detail, and using oral and documentary evidence, each group is building up a picture of the different local styles in Yorkshire.

When a building has been studied, the plans, drawings and a written report are filed in the group's archives, and a copy sent to the owner/occupier. With their agreement, these reports are made available for wider research. Reports from this Conference will also be the basis of a separate publication. We also plan to extend our recording work in South Yorkshire over the next few years and to publish a final report on all findings. Articles, reports of buildings surveyed, and news of related activities are also published in our annual journal **Yorkshire Buildings**.

Contact for further YVBSG information:

YVBSG Hon. Secretary, Mary Cook (01325 310114), or visit our web site at [www.yvbsg.org.uk](http://www.yvbsg.org.uk).



**Weekend Study and Recording  
Conference, 12-14 May 2017**

**“The Best of Barnsley”**

... is the Yorkshire  
Vernacular Buildings  
Study Group's 42nd  
weekend conference on  
recording and  
interpreting buildings.

The conference is based  
at the **Fairway Hotel,  
Elmhirst Lane, Barnsley,  
S75 4LS** and at the  
**Northern College,  
Wentworth Castle,  
S75 3ET**.



*The Summer House, Bullhouse, Penistone*

We will record some of the Barnsley area's Grade I and II\* vernacular buildings: houses and associated buildings, summer houses, stables, barns and farm buildings, building on and adding to studies done nearly 40 years ago.

## Programme

### Friday 12 May – Barnsley Town Hall and the Fairway Hotel

- 16:00-17:00 ‘Welcome to Barnsley’ reception by the Lord Mayor of Barnsley, Linda Burgess, in the Mayor’s Room, Barnsley Town Hall. (Please indicate below if you wish to attend)
- 18.00 Registration and informal gathering at the Fairway Hotel.
- 18.30 Peter Thornborrow “Timber Framed Buildings of South Yorkshire: an Introduction”
- 19.30 Arrangements for the following day, including allocation of recording teams, leaders and venues and brief introduction to the buildings.
- 20.00 Conference dinner at the Fairway Hotel.

### Saturday 13 May – Fieldwork in the Barnsley area and the Fairway Hotel

- 09.30 Recording teams assemble to travel to respective venues
- 09.45 Recording buildings. Individual teams to make their own arrangements for lunch and transport (not included in conference fee).
- 19.00 Speaker and title to be announced
- 20.00 Conference dinner at the Fairway Hotel.

### Sunday 14 May – Northern College, Wentworth Castle

- 09.30 Drawing and report writing at the Northern College, Wentworth Castle.
- 12.30 Sunday lunch at the Northern College, Wentworth Castle.
- 14.00 Talk and tour of Wentworth Castle with Steve Jones.
- 16.00 End of conference.

## Barnsley and its local area

While South Yorkshire has no single recognisable style as some other counties of England have, its chief characteristic is not its architectural uniformity but its remarkable variety of styles; these are closely tied in to the underlying geology that changes from the Pennine watershed in the west.

## Booking

**Delegates will have to arrange their own overnight accommodation and transport.**

Two options are available (price per person):

- With all meals (£85).** This includes three course dinner on Friday and Saturday evenings, lunch on Sunday, lectures on Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday, use of Northern College for report writing/drawing and the building talk/tour
- Without evening meals (£35).** As above but excluding dinner on Friday and Saturday evenings.

**Please complete the booking form by 10 April 2017, and send to:**

**David Cook, 12 Annand Way, Newton Aycliffe, Co. Durham DL5 4ZD  
01325 310114. Confirmation of booking will be sent.**

## Equipment

Please bring pencils, rubber, clipboard or hardback notebook for recording, and A4 paper, ruler, set square and compasses. The Group has some tape measures and other equipment, but you are encouraged to bring your own. Waterproof clothing and stout footwear are advisable.

## Booking Form “The Best of Barnsley” 12-14 May 2017

- Please book \_\_\_\_\_ place(s) **with all meals** at £85 per person.  
**Please include details of any special dietary needs on a separate sheet with your booking form.**
- Please book \_\_\_\_\_ place(s) **without evening meals** at £35 per person.

I enclose £ \_\_\_\_\_ (*cheques to Yorkshire Vernacular Buildings Study Group*)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

**To help us with the organisation of the conference, please indicate your preferences, below:**

I would like to lead a recording team..... **Yes/No**

I would like to ‘shadow’ a team leader..... **Yes/No**

*Learn more about leading a recording team. You will be invited to the team leader’s follow up day in July 2017.*

I would like to attend the lectures only..... **Yes/No**

I plan to attend the Lord Mayor’s reception on Friday..... **Yes/No**

Tick and enclose an SAE for confirmation if you have no email address.