

**Saturday 1st October, 2011:  
Our inaugural meeting.**

We had our first meeting at St. Oswald's Church Hall and about 30 interested people came.

Louise Wheatley made a cake with an FFH theme and Gavin Thomas did a short presentation to highlight some of the activities we could do.



**Celebrating 10 Years of FFH!**

# What have we been doing?

- > Walks
- > Talks
- > Visits
- > Exhibitions
- > Conferences
- > Archaeology
- > Commemorations
- > Projects & Publications



**A full house to hear local carver and Sculptor  
Dick Reid in February 2017**



# What have we enjoyed most?

A survey of the steering committee gave a wide range of responses, suggesting that our varied range of events offers *something for everyone* – Do you agree?



**Our Stall at Fishergate Fair in the Millennium Field July 2019**

# Walks:

Walmgate Stray

Fishergate

Fulford Village

Heslington Village

The Outgang

Fulford Ings

York Cemetery

The Retreat

Tilmire

St Lawrence's Churchyard



**Sir John Laughton leading our walk along  
the Heslington Outgang June 2015**



# Some more walks:

We keep being  
drawn back to  
Walmgate Stray...



**Peter Addyman among the wild flowers &  
Jon Kenny under the trees**



# And more walks:

York Cemetery and Fulford Ings  
(including a sight of a Tansey  
Beetle!)





# Yet more walks...

New Walk & Fulford Back  
Lanes and Main Street



# Talks: here's a small selection – add you own favourites

Fishergate Nurserymen; Judy & Barbara

Sheriff Verna Campbell

Alcuin's York; Mary Garrison

A life in Ruins; John Oxley

York Historical Atlas; Peter Addyman

Cavalry Barracks; Judy & Barbara

Carver: Dick Reed

My Gallant Hussar: Anne Bachelor

Fulford's Lost Shops; Judy & Barbara

Treasurers & Goddards; Glennis Whyte

Who's Who in Fulford; Louise

Cattle Market; Judy & Barbara

Dendrochronology; Jayne Rimmer

St Oswald and his Churches; Louise

The Heslington Hoard; Andrew Woods

Heslington's Churches; Peter Mott

Heslington Enclosures; David Yates

1951 & York's Mystery Plays; Margaret Scott

The Pavilion Hotel; Judy & Barbara

Naburn Hospital & area; Judy & Barbara

Jane Austin & Fulford; Allan Francis

Local Suffragettes; Michael & Catherine



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# Talks: Who's Who in Fulford & St Oswald and his Churches; Many by Louise!



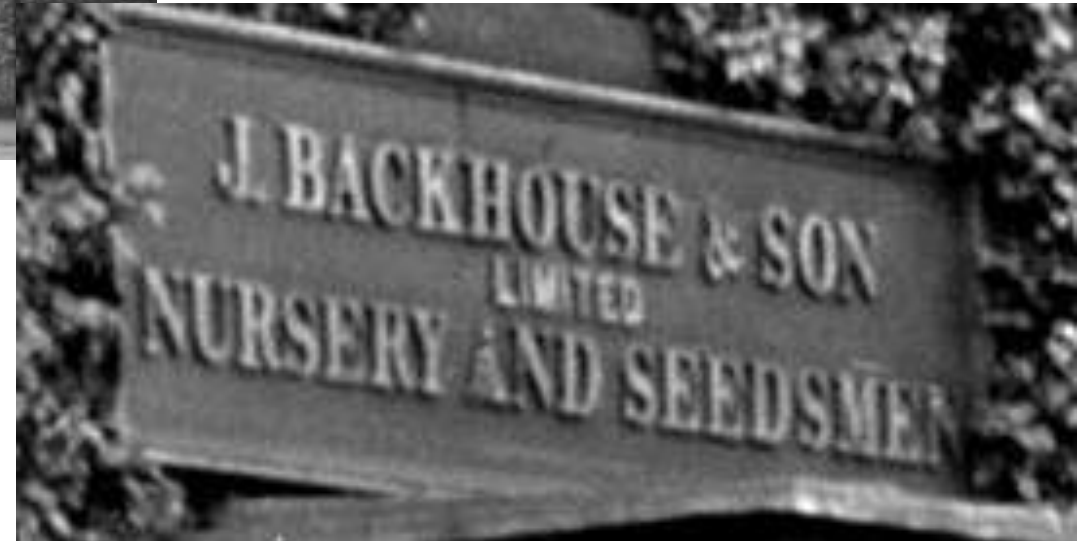
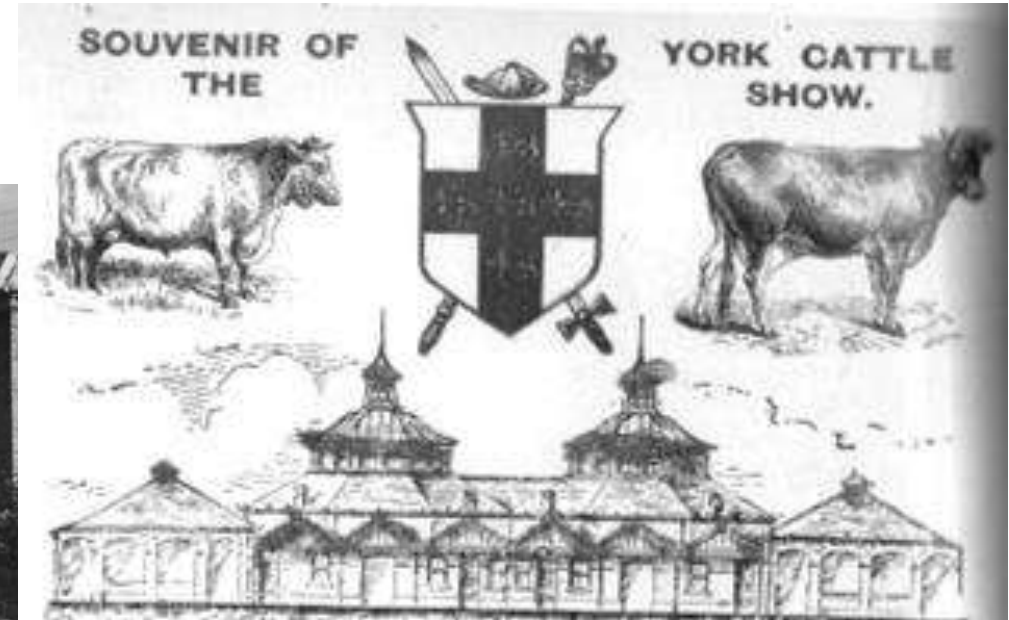
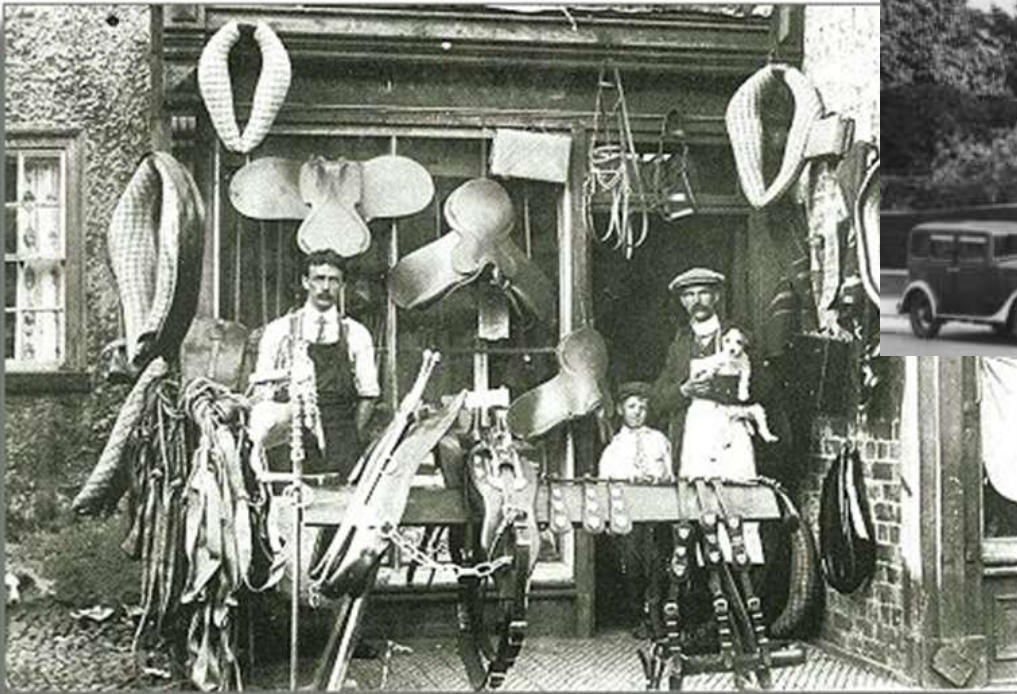


# Talks: Many by Judy & Barbara!

## Fishergate Nurserymen

## Fulford's Lost Shops

## Cattle Market





# Talks: a wide range of subjects!

The Heslington Hoard

Local Suffragettes

Heslington Churches



Mrs. Coultate  
(Mistress, Fish'gate Sch.).



William Suffield	Head	1/2
Mary Suffield	Wife	Unmarried
George F. Suffield	Son	
Elizabeth F. Stubbs	Daughter	Unmarried



**Visits:** here's a small selection – add you own favourites

Old St Oswald's Churchyard

St Oswald's Church

Water Fulford Hall

Holgate Windmill

Heslington Hall

Lincroft Farm

Yorkshire Museum

Fishergate Postern Tower

Imphal Barracks & Kohima Museum



**Our visit to Imphal Barracks July 2018**



# Visits:

Our visits to Water Fulford Hall  
in August 2015 and  
Holgate Windmill in July 2016





# Visits:

Old St Oswald's  
Churchyard and  
Heslington Hall





# Exhibitions & Displays:

Fishergate Postern  
Tower

Fulford Show

Fishergate Fair

Ordnance Railway

The Fishergate Ring

And at many of our  
fantastic talks...



**Our Exhibition at Fulford Show in 2017**



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The Fishergate Ring





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## Fulford Show





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## Fishergate Fair



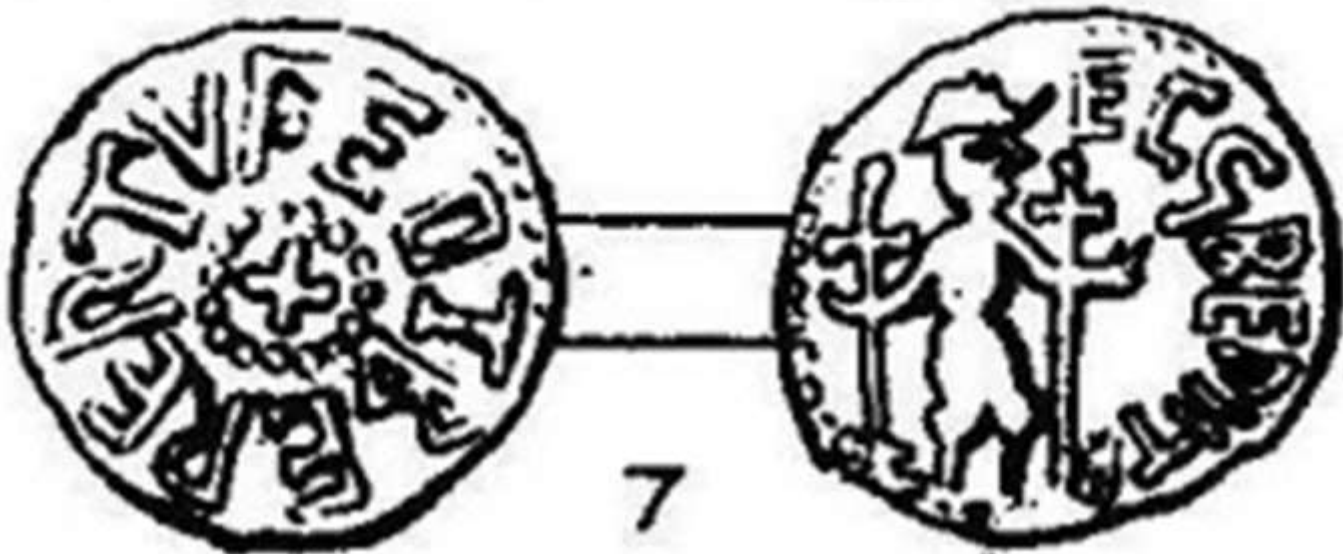


# Conferences:

Anglian Fishergate  
& Pre-Viking York in  
June 2014



Eadberht & Ecgbert



**John Oxley in the chair with  
Peter Addyman speaking and  
the speakers taking questions  
(Ailsa Mainman, , Terry  
O'Connor, Nicola Rogers, Katy  
Cubitt and Cecily Spall)**



# Conferences:

## The Historic Mystery of Old St Oswald's Church





# Archaeology:

Connaught Court  
Well House at old  
St Oswald's

Heslington East  
Archaeological Dig

Germany Beck Housing  
Development

Geophysical Investigations at  
the Sir John Hunt Memorial  
Cottage Homes



**Geophysical Investigations at the Sir John  
Hunt Memorial Cottage Homes July 2015**



# Commemorations:

Presenting our  
research on the 180  
men named on our  
local Great War  
memorials with five  
booklets and events:

Fulford x 3 booklets

Heslington

Fishergate School



**Rachael Maskell MP talking to Mount School Head of History Helen Snelson at our commemoration event in York Cemetery Chapel, organised with other local history organisations. November 2015**



# Commemorations:

## Fulford



**We published 3 booklets on the lives of the 86 men named on the Fulford memorial**



**York Cemetery Chapel 2015**



**Fulford 2016**



# Commemorations: Heslington



**Dawn Scull  
reading  
about her  
great uncle,  
Charles  
Herbert**





# Commemorations:

## Fishergate School



**SEVERS, WALTER.**

Sergeant, Royal Field Artillery. Aged 31 years. Born, and last resided, at 55, Elmwood Street, York. Killed in action 29th February, 1916, at Aveluy, France.





# Projects: Here are just a few...

Great War memorials

Many local families

Many local houses

Local churches

Landmark buildings

Local industries

Fishergate ring

River Ouse

Heslington Hoard

Medieval people

Landscape

The military

Trams

Local shops

Entertainment & culture

Local Suffragettes



# Projects: many by Judy, Barbara, Louise & Peter

**Research and publishing  
booklets on local buildings  
and families:**



- > Fulford Park
- > The Saddle Inn
- > Fulford Field House



# Projects: Old & New St Oswald's Churches

## Old St Oswald's:

Publishing the 1980s  
archaeology and a history of  
the church in the *Journal of  
the Yorkshire Archaeological  
and Historical Society*

And...an article in *Current  
Archaeology* magazine

Restoring the Harry Harvey  
calligraphic information panel



## What came before?

Searching for the origins  
of Old St Oswald Church, Fulford



rch guide claims that their present building sits on the site of  
ent structure. But how accurate are these claims? Recently the  
Fulford, and Heslington Local History Society (FFH) – a community  
a long-standing and very active interest in their historic landscape –  
try to find out whether this was true of the deconsecrated medieval  
icated to St Oswald, that sits on the east bank of the River Ouse,  
e of Fulford, some 2km south of York. **Chris Catling** reports.



## Yorkshire Archaeological Journal

A Review of History and Archaeology in the County

ISSN: (Print) (Online) Journal homepage: <https://www.tandfonline.com/loi/yyaj20>

## St Oswald's Church, Fulford: Origins and Significance

Jon Kenny , Ailsa Mainman & Christopher Rainger



# Projects: Old & New St Oswald's Churches

## **'New' St Oswald's:**

Supporting the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary with guided tours and talks on the design of the building, its stained glass, monuments, and sculpture





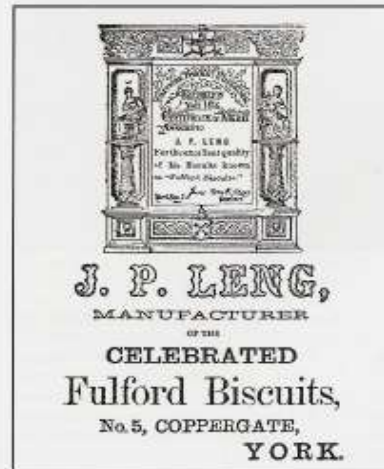
# Leaflets:

The Fulford Biscuit

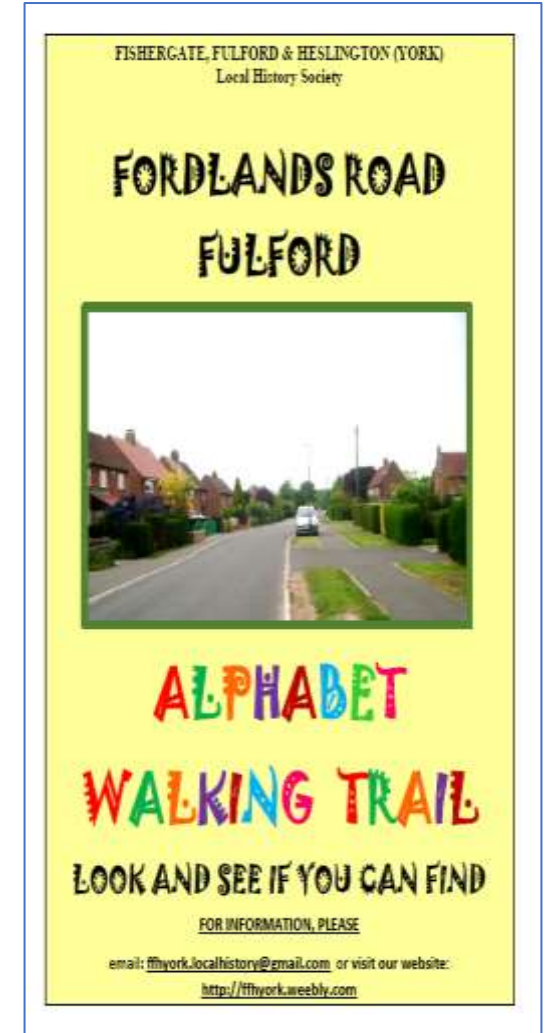
Fulford South Walking Trail

Fordlands Road Alphabet Trail

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[www.ffhyork.weebly.com](http://www.ffhyork.weebly.com)






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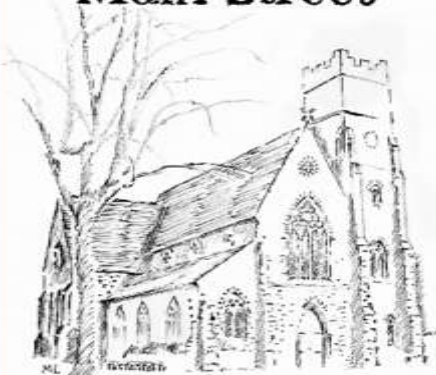
Fulford Main Street

Fishergate History

The Old Church of St Oswald




## A Walk Along Main Street



The buildings, families and working life of a Village

Fishergate, Fulford & Heslington  
Local History Society

### A Walk Around Fishergate's History



Fishergate is often overlooked by visitors heading for the city centre, but archaeological discoveries have revealed a fascinating history.


Fawcett Street and Fulford Road follow a Roman Road and Roman burials have been found nearby. A craft manufacturing and trading community lived here long before the Norman Conquest, food for the city was grown on adjacent fields and the river Foss provided fishing and a safe harbour.

Three medieval churches and a priory were demolished in the 16<sup>th</sup> century and the community dispersed, leaving open fields, market gardens, orchards and windmills.

Modern Fishergate began with canalisation of the River Foss and new industry in the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

Use the map overleaf to trace a brief history of Fishergate through the ages

## The old Church of St Oswald



George Nicholson, 1827. Image TAG

Why was this 12<sup>th</sup> century church built close to the River Ouse and so far from Fulford village?

Why was it dedicated to a 7<sup>th</sup> century King of Northumberland?

Why were the foundations of an earlier church and a stone from a 10<sup>th</sup> century cross found here?

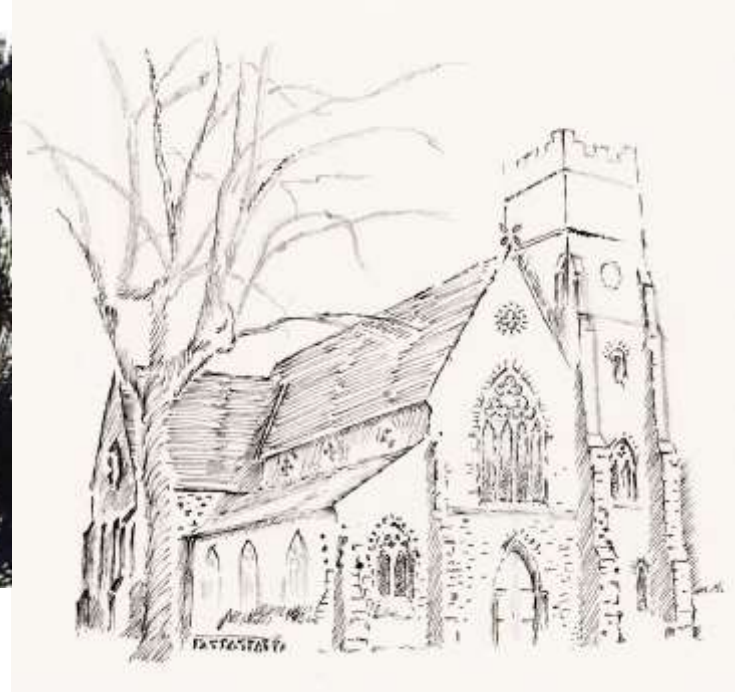
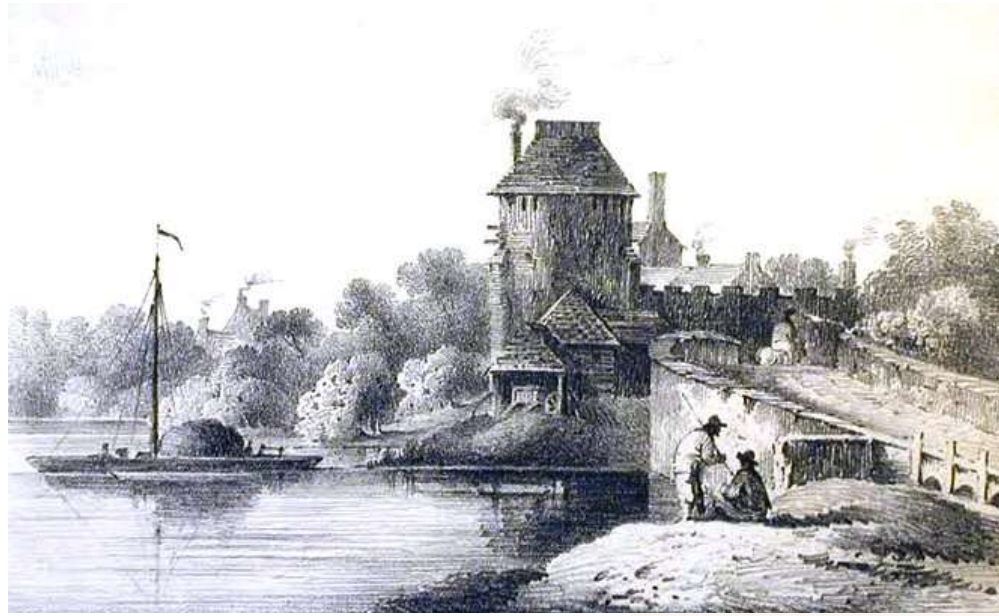
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*The old church is now a private house, so please respect the privacy of the owners*



# FFH Greetings Cards

Buy some today!





# Fund Raising:£7,235

## CYC Ward Grants - £2,335

- >Fishergate Notice Board (+ shops donations)
- >Display Panels for our Exhibitions
- >Projector Screen, a Stand for the Projector and a lectern
- >Ordnance Railway Plaque on New Walk
- >Fishergate School Great War Booklets

## Old St Oswald's Church £5,000

- >Old St Oswald's Archaeological and History Report Writing and Publication by Yorkshire Archaeological Society
- >Old St Oswald's Leaflet + Restoration of Information Panel



# Meeting Old Friends & New...





# The Next 10 Years...?

## **Ideas for research and talks, including:**

- > The Lost Village of Water Fulford
- > Fulford Enclosures of 1759
- > Medieval Fulford - its people and their manors
- > Football in Fulfordgate
- > People and homes in our area
- > Heslington Hall and gardens

## **Projects:**

- > Community use of the Barracks Keep, including a local history centre
- > Guided Walk leaflets for Heslington & Fulford Road
- > Information leaflets for Heslington Church and St Oswald's

- **30 April – 250 years of education in Fulford** – Claire Sinclair, Chair of the school governors (date to be confirmed)
- **10 May – Rights of Way: Your Right to Roam** - A walking tour on footpaths in our area led by Lauren Grindley
- **18 June – Our Festival of Ideas Event - History of the Fulford Grange Estate in Fishergate**– an illustrated talk and walk – Led by Christopher Rainger
- **16 July – A botanical walk around the grounds of Heslington Hall and the University** led by Peter Mott
- **29 August Bank Holiday – Our stall at Fulford Show**
- **17 September – Local Flax Production and the Bleach Fields of Heslington** - an illustrated talk by Louise Wheatley
- **15 October – An illustrated talk on the Armstrong family schools at Fulford Field House** - by Judy Nicholson and Barbara King
- **19 November - The Determined Women of Minster Yard** an illustrated talk by Glennis Whyte
- **11 December – End of year social 3-5pm** at St Oswald's Church Hall.