CHAIRPERSON: Anne Bacon

Anne has lived in the Holme Valley for 30 years and immediately fell in love with the landscape and the people. In an earlier life Anne worked as a volunteer for several years with vulnerable families and particularly with children under the age of 5. She retired from teaching eight years ago where she worked as the lead from 1990 to develop the use of computer and computer networks in teaching and learning. Anne is committed to community work and is a volunteer steward with the Holmfirth Film Festival and a volunteer member of the team for the Holmfirth Arts Festival. Anne was one of the founding members of HCG and represents the group on the Steering Group of the Neighbourhood Plan for the Holme Valley Parish Council. As the hub of the Holme Valley, Holmfirth is the starting point for what Anne hopes will become a rolling programme of appraisal, throughout the small towns and villages of the Holme Valley, to preserve and enhance its unique character.

SECRETARY: Deborah Wyles

Deborah has lived in Holmfirth since 1998 and retired as a community dietitian in the NHS eight years ago. Since then those community skills have been put to use locally in the form of involvement in the Friends of Cliff Rec- including co-writing a book on its history and liberating the HMS Hero plaque and finding the means to put the plaque on more public display. Other local history interests include helping to write the history of Holmfirth pubs and the Holmfirth history trail in conjunction with other members of the Civic Society local history group.

In addition she is the secretary of the Phoenix Women's Group and enjoys walking in and around this most lovely part of Yorkshire.

TREASURER: Rachel Hogley

Rachel became the Holme Valley Parish Councillor for Holmfirth Central in 2015.  She has had a diverse career in the railway industry and civil service and whilst currently taking a career break to spend more time raising her three young children, she has committed herself to using her project management skills to help the town and wider valley flourish.  She is a passionate advocate of supporting local facilities and businesses and led the Holmfirth Christmas lights in 2015, now chairing a new Holmfirth Christmas Team, as well as coordinating the Upperthong Scarecrow Festival and various other local events and campaigns.  Rachel hopes she can support groups in working more effectively together for the benefit of our community and is keen to support HCG in making its appraisal and action plan a turning point in the future preservation and appearance of our beautiful town."