

# Heritage Open Days in Kirklees



7-10 September 2017

57 FREE  
EVENTS



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# UP MARKET SUNDAYS

New Street | Huddersfield

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**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Aug**  
**10am - 4pm**  
**New Street, Huddersfield**  
**watch out for every Sunday coming soon**

Browse antiques, collectibles, arts and crafts; try on contemporary and vintage fashions for size; then sample Yorkshire food and drink and treat yourself to some delicious street food. With live music and free children's face painting, an upmarket Sunday visit to Huddersfield is the perfect way to round off a relaxing weekend.



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## About Heritage Open Days

Heritage Open Days (HOD) is England's biggest festival of history and culture, involving over 40,000 volunteers. Every year, over four days in September, thousands of sites across the country invite you in to explore local treasures of every age, style and function, and many special events are held. It's your chance to see hidden places and try out new experiences – and it's all FREE.

This programme has been co-ordinated by the Kirklees HOD Committee, which has prepared this brochure. The range of 57 sites and events offered here is, we believe, the largest HOD programme Kirklees has enjoyed, co-ordinated across the whole district for the first time.

We have labelled events that support the three national HOD 2017 themes: Conservation Areas 50th anniversary, Heritage & Nature and LGBTQ. We have added our own local theme: Textiles.

There are old favourites alongside exciting new entries, and intriguing connections between sites are highlighted throughout the brochure. We are hugely grateful to the site organisers and volunteers for the work they do, and to our ten advertisers and sponsors, who have made this brochure possible.

Kirklees HOD Committee is a partnership of Holme Valley Civic Society, Huddersfield Civic Society, Huddersfield Local History Society, Kirklees Libraries and Museums services, Spen Valley Civic Society and the University of Huddersfield, run entirely by volunteers and supported administratively by Discover Huddersfield.

Heritage Open Days is coordinated by the National Trust and funded by players of the People's Postcode Lottery.

Every effort has been made to ensure that details in this brochure are correct at time of going to press, but for updated information please check [www.heritageopendays.org.uk](http://www.heritageopendays.org.uk)

## How to book

BOOKING  
ESSENTIAL  
VIA VIP

Where 'Booking at VIP' appears, bookings are to be made at the Visitor Information Point (VIP), Huddersfield Library, Princess Alexandra Walk, Huddersfield HD1 2SU 01484 223200 • [huddersfield.information@kirklees.gov.uk](mailto:huddersfield.information@kirklees.gov.uk)

The VIP's opening hours are: Mon - Fri 9.30am - 5pm, Sat 9.30am - 4pm. Bookings open on Tuesday 15th August.

For other events where booking is required or advised, see the relevant entry.

## Key

- Parking
- Disabled parking
- Accessible toilets
- Assistance dogs welcome
- Refreshments
- Hearing loop
- Children's/family activities available
- Dogs welcome
- Partial wheelchair access
- Full wheelchair access
- Pushchair/pram friendly
- Toilets
- Baby changing/Breast feeding area
- Sign Language interpretation
- NEW EVENT** for 2017
- 50 Conservation Area Anniversary
- Heritage & Nature
- Textiles
- LGBTQ

# At-a-glance guide to Kirklees events

Listings accurate at time of going to press. Please visit [www.heritageopendays.org.uk](http://www.heritageopendays.org.uk) for updated information.

Title	Area	Page No.	Booking	THU 7TH	FRI 8TH	SAT 9TH	SUN 10TH
All Hallows Church, Kirkburton	Kirkburton	23	No		10.30am - 3pm	10.30am - 3pm	
Beaumont Park	Huddersfield	15	No			Walk 2pm	Walk 2pm
Briarcourt	Huddersfield	15	At VIP essential, see page 3			Tours at 10am, 11am, 1pm, 2pm	
Bullecourt Museum	Colne Valley	8	No			1pm - 5pm	1pm - 5pm
Christ Church, Helme	Meltham	25	No	10am - 2pm	10am - 2pm	9am - 11.30pm	10am - 2pm
Colne Valley Museum	Colne Valley	8	No			2pm - 5pm	2pm - 5pm
Dewsbury Arts Group	Dewsbury & Mirfield	11	No			12.30pm - 3pm	
Druids Hall	Holme Valley	13	At VIP essential, see page 3			Tours 11am and 2pm	
Dugdale Bros & Co	Huddersfield	15	At VIP essential, see page 3	Tours 2pm, 3pm & 4pm			
Emmanuel Church, Shelley	Kirkburton	23	No			10.30am - 3pm	
Folly Hall Mill	Huddersfield	15	At VIP essential, see page 3		Tours 12noon & 4pm		
Gomersal Moravian Church	Batley & Spen	7	No				1pm - 4pm
Greenhead Park - Explore the History	Huddersfield	16	No		Walk 6pm		
High Flatts Quaker Meeting House	Denby Dale	10	No	10am - 5pm	10am - 5pm	10am - 5pm	12noon - 5pm
Holmfirth Blue Plaque Trail Presentation	Holme Valley	13	No		2pm		
Holmfirth Heritage Trail - Windows on the Past	Holme Valley	13	At VIP essential, see page 3				11am & 2pm
Holy Trinity Church	Huddersfield	16	At VIP advised, see page 3		Tour 7.30pm		12.30pm - 5pm
Honley's Historic Mills Walk	Holme Valley	13	No			Walks 10.30am & 2pm	
Huddersfield & District Family History Society Exhibition	Meltham	25	No			10am - 4pm	10am - 4pm
Huddersfield Leisure Centre	Huddersfield	16	At VIP essential, see page 3	Tour 5pm	Tour 2pm		
Huddersfield Library & Art Gallery - behind the scenes	Huddersfield	17	At VIP essential, see page 3	Tours 11am & 3pm			
Huddersfield Station Water Tower	Huddersfield	17	No				10am - 4pm
King James's School	Huddersfield	17	No			10am - 2pm	
Lawrence Batley Theatre	Huddersfield	17	At VIP essential, see page 3		Tour 11am		
Lockwood Baptist Church	Huddersfield	19	No			11am - 4pm, Tours at 1pm & 2pm	

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Longwood Sing	Huddersfield	19	No				2.15pm	
Lydgate Unitarian Chapel	Holme Valley	14	No		10am - 4pm	10am - 4pm		
Meltham Blue Plaque Walks	Meltham	26	No			Walks 12noon - 3pm	Walks 12noon - 3pm	
Meltham Carlile Institute	Meltham	26	No			10am - 4pm	10am - 4pm	
Meltham Parish Church Hall	Meltham	26	No		10am - 4pm	10am - 4pm		
Oakwell Hall	Batley & Spen	7	No			12noon-5pm	12noon-5pm	
Pioneer House, Dewsbury	Dewsbury & Mirfield	11	Booking essential, see entry			Tours 11am & 2pm		
Queensgate Market	Huddersfield	19	At VIP essential, see page 3			Tour 10am		
Rails, Roads & Canals of Huddersfield	Huddersfield	19	No				Walk 2.30pm	
Royds Hall - Pride and Prejudice	Huddersfield	20	No			10am - 3pm		
Skelmanthorpe Textile Heritage Centre	Denby Dale	10	No	12noon - 5pm	12noon - 5pm	10am - 4pm	10am - 4pm	
Spen Valley Civic Society - Our History in Maps	Batley & Spen	7	No	10am - 3pm	10am - 4pm	10am - 4pm		
St Bartholomew's, Marsden	Colne Valley	9	No		10am-4pm	10am-11.30am & 1.30pm-4pm	11am-4pm	
St Bartholomew's, Meltham	Meltham	27	No		10am - 4pm	10am - 4pm		
St James's, Meltham Mills	Meltham	27	No		10.30am-3pm	10am-12noon		
St John's Church, Cleckheaton	Batley & Spen	7	No	9.30am -12noon		9am - 5pm		
St Joseph's Catholic Church	Huddersfield	20	No				1pm - 4pm	
St Mary's, Wilshaw and village	Meltham	27	No		11am - 4pm	11am - 4pm	12noon - 4pm	
St Mary's Community Heritage Site	Dewsbury & Mirfield	11	No			10am - 4pm Walk 10.30am	11am - 4pm Walk 11.30am	
St Michael & All Angels, Thornhill	Dewsbury & Mirfield	12	No			10am - 4pm	10.30am - 4pm	
St Saviour's Church, Brownhill	Batley & Spen	8	No			11am - 4pm		
St Stephen's Church, Lindley	Huddersfield	21	Booking for tours, see entry			10am - 4pm See entry for tours	1.30 - 4.30pm See entry for tours	
St Thomas's Church	Huddersfield	21	No	9am - 7pm	9am - 7pm	9am - 7pm	9am - 7pm	
Th'Own Towser	Holme Valley	14	No			10am-4pm	10am-4pm	
Tolson Museum	Huddersfield	21	No				11am - 4pm	
Town Centre Lion Hunt	Huddersfield	21	No				Walk 10.30am	
Upper Edgerton - 70 years of suburban style	Huddersfield	22	At VIP essential, see page 3				Walks 10.30am & 12.15pm	
Victoria Tower, Castle Hill	Huddersfield	22	No			12noon - 4.30pm	12noon - 4.30pm	
Walking with women's suffrage in the Colne Valley	Colne Valley	9	No			Walk 11.30am		
Woodhouse Mill Ponds Nature Reserve	Huddersfield	22	No	9am - 3pm Tour top of each hour				
Wooldale Quaker Meeting House	Holme Valley	14	No		11am - 4pm	11am - 4pm Walk 2pm	1pm - 4pm	
World Congress of Psychogeography	Huddersfield	22	No	Full details at <a href="http://www.4wcop.org">www.4wcop.org</a>				

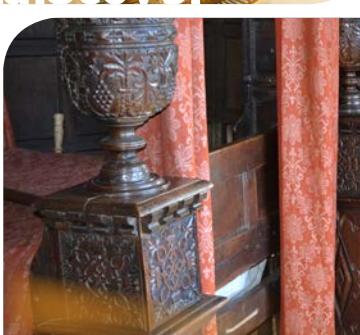
# Enjoy a visit to...

## ...Kirklees Museums and Galleries

Web: [kirklees.gov.uk/museums](http://kirklees.gov.uk/museums)

 Kirklees Museums & Galleries

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Bagshaw Museum • Huddersfield Art Gallery  
Tolson Museum • Oakwell Hall & Country Park



# **H** Open events in Batley & Spen

## Gomersal Moravian Church

Quarry Road, Gomersal BD19 4JB

**SUN 10TH**

1pm – 4pm

Grade II listed church of 1751, altered in the 1860s. The building was repaired and reordered in 2009. Display about the church's history and links with the Taylor family of Red House and Charlotte Brontë. Special display about Moravian traditions, including the Lovefeast service and Christingle.

See the 'Gomersal and the Great War' display, with information about the men from Gomersal who died in WWI, and also what life was like for those back home, including extracts from the ministers' diary.



## Oakwell Hall



Nova Lane, Birstall, Batley WF17 9LG

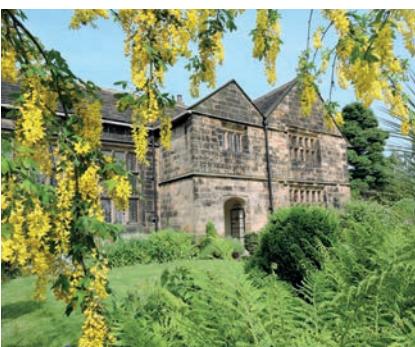
**SAT 9TH**

12noon – 5pm

**SUN 10TH**

12noon – 5pm

A stunning Elizabethan manor house with Civil War connections. Now furnished as the Batt family home of the 17th Century, it featured as Fieldhead in Charlotte Brontë's Shirley. Set in award winning period gardens.



Explore the country park with its play areas, nature trail and visitor centre gift shop.

Sunday will also feature traditional craft activities with the Friends of Oakwell Hall.  
[www.friendsofoakwellhall.org.uk](http://www.friendsofoakwellhall.org.uk)



## Spen Valley Civic Society - Our History in Maps

**NEW EVENT**

R J Donnan Hearing Care, 1B Dewsbury Road, Cleckheaton BD19 3RS

**THU 7TH**

10am – 3pm

**FRI 8TH**

10am – 4pm

**SAT 9TH**

10am – 4pm

Come and see the changing history of Cleckheaton and surrounding area on maps going back to the 18th Century. The development of the Industrial Revolution is plain to see as each map shows how the mills and other industries developed. Also a collection of photographs showing the people, buildings and streets over the last 110 years; business directories from the 1920s and 30s; artefacts from the mills and Luddites, local guides, walks and history.

[www.spenvalleycivicsociety.org.uk](http://www.spenvalleycivicsociety.org.uk)



## St John's Church, Cleckheaton

**NEW EVENT**

Church Street, Cleckheaton BD19 3RN

**THU 7TH**

9.30am – 12noon

**SAT 9TH**

9am – 5pm

St John's Church has been a place of worship since 1832 and is celebrating its 185th anniversary. Rebuilt in the Gothic style in 1886 it has beautiful stained glass windows on all sides. The church has a war memorial for WWI. The Belfry has a set of eight bells; they were dedicated in June 1947 and were a thanksgiving for victory in WWII. [www.beneficeofcleckheaton.org.uk](http://www.beneficeofcleckheaton.org.uk)





## St Saviour's Church, Brownhill, Batley

Brookroyd Lane, Batley WF17 0BU

SAT 9TH

11am – 4pm

Grade II listed building of 1871, has unique Victoria and Albert stained glass window (verified by V & A Museum) commemorating Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee, depicting the Queen with Prince Albert. Frieze of Minton tiles. Fine east window. Robert Thompson altar rail. Plaque in memory of locally-born missionary. Fine oil painting of Christ by Hans Richter-Damm.



## H Open events in the Colne Valley

### Bullecourt Museum

The Old Drill Hall, Scar Lane HD3 4PT

SAT 9TH

1pm – 5pm

SUN 10TH

1pm – 5pm

With a wide range of historical military artefacts dating from Waterloo to the Falklands War the Bullecourt Museum is a unique experience. From 1911 the building was a drill hall and territorial barracks up until the 1960s. It was refurbished by the curator and owner who opened the military museum in 2002 to share their fascinating collection and knowledge with the public. Features artefacts from the Crimean War, WWI, the rise of the Nazis, WWII and several other conflicts. Guided tours of the museum by the curator will take place once every hour from 1 to 4pm on Saturday and Sunday.

LATE ENTRY, NOT IN THE  
AT-A-GLANCE GUIDE

## Christ Church, Linthwaite

4 Church Lane, Linthwaite HD7 5TA

SAT 9TH

10am – 1pm

Grade II listed church, the first of the six Waterloo churches built in the area between 1828 and 1832. The beautiful Chancel was added in 1895. It includes a very fine Reredos with statues of Christ the King and the four Gospel writers carved in wood by the much acclaimed York-based sculptor George Walker Milburn (1844-1941). Excellent JJ Binns organ completely re-built in 1993.

In the graveyard see if you can spot the grave of the murdered 16 year old girl - yes, we have a macabre side too! [www.linthwaitechurch.org.uk](http://www.linthwaitechurch.org.uk)



## Colne Valley Museum

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Cliffe Ash, Golcar  
HD7 4PY

SAT 9TH

2pm – 5pm

SUN 10TH

2pm – 5pm

The newly restored row of weavers' cottages which houses the Colne Valley Museum is now fully open, with a complete weaver's cottage, a new exhibition gallery and textile room.

Visitors can step back in time to see what life as a Victorian handloom weaver was like in the Colne Valley, visit our 'rescued' clog maker's workshop and view our latest exhibition 'Felt Good' by local felting artist Sue Clay. [www.colnevallymuseum.org.uk](http://www.colnevallymuseum.org.uk)





## St Bartholomew's, Marsden

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Church Lane, Marsden HD7 6DJ

FRI 8TH

10am – 4pm

SAT 9TH

10am – 11.30am & 1.30pm – 4pm

SUN 10TH

11am – 4pm

Church tours available throughout the day. Archived material on display, including some graveyard records for our family historians! Known as "The Cathedral of the Colne Valley"; architect W H Crossland. Built between 1895 and 1911, it was completed by C Hodgson Fowler and reputed to be his finest parish church. Excellent stained glass; fine mosaic floors; James Binns organ installed 1919; peal of 10 bells. Updated Exhibition: "MARDEN REMEMBERS" - the village's commemoration of the sacrifices made in WWI, including a new Book of Remembrance giving more details of the 147 war dead. Concentrating on wartime events of 1917 and the impact they had on this working mill village. [www.marsdenparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.marsdenparishchurch.org.uk)



## Walking with women's suffrage in the Colne Valley

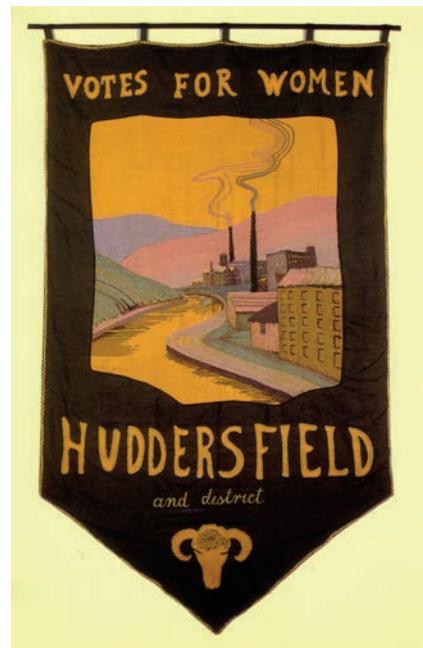
Harold Wilson statue, St. George's Square, Huddersfield  
HDI 1LG

SAT 9TH

Five mile walk at 11.30am

Join suffrage historian Jill Liddington to walk in the footsteps of local suffragists and suffragettes. The linear route passes the homes and villages of several local campaigners including Helen Studdard, secretary of the Huddersfield NUVSS branch; suffragette Elizabeth Pinnance, imprisoned in 1907 for 14 days and Florence Lockwood a Linthwaite mill owner's wife and a former student at the Slade, a member of the suffragist NUVSS who designed the Huddersfield branch banner.

Please bring packed lunch plus snacks. The walk ends in Slaithwaite around 3.30 with a Q&A session at a cafe, including contributions from Cyril Pearce, Chair of Huddersfield Local History Society. Walkers then need to make their own way back to the start (bus or train available). [www.jliddington.org.uk](http://www.jliddington.org.uk)



# H Open events in Denby Dale

## High Flatts Quaker Meeting House

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Firth Lane, High Flatts HD8 8XU

**THU 7TH**

10am – 5pm

**FRI 8TH**

10am – 5pm

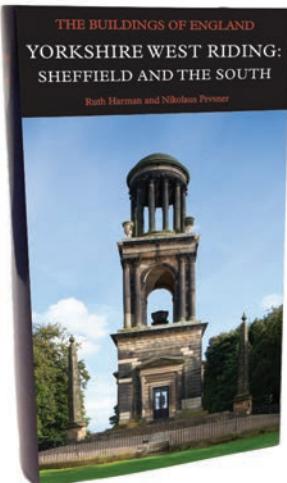
**SAT 9TH**

10am – 5pm

**SUN 10TH**

12noon – 5pm

Very early Quaker meeting house, c. 1653. Situated in a hamlet which was, until recently, exclusively Quaker-owned. The building is produced in local stone and can offer spectacular views of the rolling countryside. Guided tours of the area available, featuring reflections upon local historical agriculture and rural industry, along with a look at a 1932 typhoid epidemic and the original village water supply driven by water power.  
[www.highflattsquakers.org.uk](http://www.highflattsquakers.org.uk)



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## Skelmanthorpe Textile Heritage Centre

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6 Queen Street,  
Skelmanthorpe HD8 9DU**THU 7TH**

12noon – 5pm

Loom demonstration 1pm – 4pm

**FRI 8TH**

12noon – 5pm

Loom demonstration 1pm - 4pm

**SAT 9TH**

10am – 4pm

Loom demonstration 1pm – 4pm

**SUN 10TH**

10am – 4pm

Loom demonstration 1pm – 4pm

This small textile heritage centre comprises a “one-up-one down” former weaver’s cottage. The downstairs family living-quarters have been maintained & furnished as a West Riding weaver’s family home would have been c1900. Upstairs is an authentic hand-loom in working condition, along with fascinating displays & artefacts linked to our textile history. Guides will be present. Visits will last about one hour: [www.friendsofskelmanthorpetextileheritagecentre.btck.co.uk](http://www.friendsofskelmanthorpetextileheritagecentre.btck.co.uk)



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Skelmanthorpe Textile Heritage Centre

## Open events in Dewsbury & Mirfield

### Dewsbury Arts Group

Lower Peel Street, Dewsbury WF13 2ED

SAT 9TH

12.30pm – 3pm

Arts Space in former Victorian Quaker Meeting House. See behind the scenes. Beautiful gardens, interesting architecture and visual arts (painting and drama). [dewsburyartsgroup.info](http://dewsburyartsgroup.info)



### Pioneer House

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Dewsbury Town Hall reception,  
Old Wakefield Road WF12 8DG

BOOKING  
ESSENTIAL

SAT 9TH

Tours 11am & 2pm

A 90 minute walking tour of Pioneer House, originally an 1880 Co-operative Society building, now undergoing works for the re-location of Kirklees College.

An opportunity to view progress and gain an introduction to the town's built heritage. Safety wear will be provided but you must wear sturdy flat footwear. Book at Dewsbury Town Hall reception 01924 324501.

### St Mary's Community Heritage Site



St Mary's Church, Church Lane, Mirfield  
WF14 9HX

SAT 9TH

10am-4pm. Walk 10.30am,  
organ recital 3pm

SUN 10TH

11am—4pm. Walk 11.30am

Grade II\* listed church – architect, Sir George Gilbert Scott. Tours to the top of the tower and bell ringing room.

Display of archaeological finds from archaeological digs on the site 2014/15. Nature trail walks around the nine acres of the heritage site/graveyard taking in the view of Castle Hill medieval mound - the remains of a motte and bailey castle. There are information boards about the butterflies and birds on and visiting the site. See also see the medieval church tower.

SAT 10.30am & SUN 11.30am guided heritage trail walks with experienced and trained guide (approx. 1.5 miles). Presentation and talk in the church about the history of Mirfield. Organ recital, SAT 3pm. [friendsofstmarysmirfield.org.uk](http://friendsofstmarysmirfield.org.uk)



## St Michael & All Angels, Thornhill

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Church Lane, Thornhill WF12 0JZ

**SAT 9TH**

10am – 4pm

**SUN 10TH**

10.30am – 4pm

Medieval church with nave rebuilt in the 19th century by G E Street. Church beautifully restored 2000-2017. Extensive collection of monuments largely to do with the Savile family. Medieval stained glass all conserved and protected. New replica Resurrection window in Savile Chapel by Jonathan Cooke.

Recently restored Binns Organ. On Saturday afternoon the organ will be available for organists to play and there will be a recital.

[www.thornhillparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.thornhillparishchurch.org.uk)



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# H Open events in Holme Valley

## Druids Hall

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Station Road, Holmfirth  
HD9 1AB

SAT 9TH

Tours at 11am and 2pm

NEW EVENT

BOOKING  
ESSENTIAL  
VIA VIP



The Druids Hall, now the Masonic Hall, was opened in 1852. It was financed by the Ancient Order of the Druids, a Friendly Society. Being run down, it was purchased by the Holme Valley Lodge of Freemasons in 1917 and reopened in 1921. The guided tours will reveal some of the Lodge's secrets via leaflets, artefacts and regalia worn by its members.



## Holmfirth Blue Plaque Trail Presentation

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Holmfirth Methodist Church, School Street,  
Holmfirth HD9 7EQ

FRI 8TH

2pm

NEW EVENT

An illustrated presentation by David Cockman that includes some of the twelve Blue Plaques in or near the centre of Holmfirth. It will show where the plaques are sited and give a greater insight of the reasons for their attachment to certain buildings than the brief description on each plaque. Armed with a free leaflet the visitor can then walk some or all of the entire Blue Plaque trail at their leisure.



## Holmfirth Heritage Trail - Windows on the Past

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Owd Genn, Towngate, Holmfirth HD9 1HA

SUN 10TH

11am & 2pm

NEW EVENT

BOOKING  
ESSENTIAL  
VIA VIP

Enjoy a guided walk taking in eleven sites of cultural and historical interest in the beautiful Pennine mill town of Holmfirth. Attractions include an ancient gaol, flood memorials and the streets where Fenella the tigress was taken for walks. An opportunity to view the new interpretation board created by Holmfirth Conservation Group.  
[www.holmfirthconservation.org.uk](http://www.holmfirthconservation.org.uk)



## Honley's Historic Mills Walk

NEW EVENT

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Junction of A616 and Gynn Lane,  
Honley HD9 6JX

SAT 9TH

Walks 10.30am & 2pm

Meet at the foot of Gynn Lane, Honley for an hour's circular walk along the Holme Valley to hear of the origins of some of Honley's textile mills and their owners. [www.honleycivicsociety.co.uk](http://www.honleycivicsociety.co.uk)



## Lydgate Unitarian Chapel

NEW EVENT

I Lydgate View, Holmfirth Road, New Mill HD9 7LF

FRI 8TH

10am – 4pm

SAT 9TH

10am – 4pm

One of the oldest non-conformist chapels in Yorkshire, founded 1695. Grade II listed (as are all the buildings on site). Original pews - with pew rent markers on two. Graveyard with grave markers from 18th century onwards. Guided tour. Help with family history enquiries gladly given. [www.ukunitarians.org.uk/lydgate](http://www.ukunitarians.org.uk/lydgate)



## Th’Owd Towser

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Daisy Lane, Holmfirth HD9 1HS

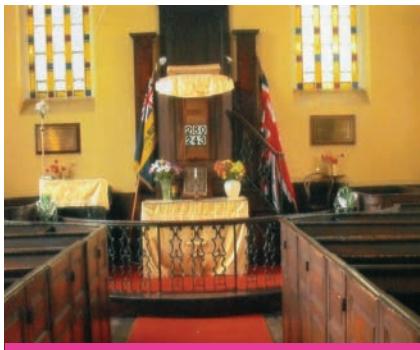
SAT 9TH

10am – 4pm

SUN 10TH

10am – 4pm

Located behind the parish church, this is probably the oldest building in Holmfirth. Once the church lockup it is said to date back to around 1597. It has also served as a mortuary and housing for a fire engine and horse ambulance. See where prisoners were kept and learn about one of its more infamous occupants.



Lydgate Unitarian Chapel

## Wooldale Quaker Meeting House

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Pell Lane, Wooldale HD9 1QL

FRI 8TH

11am – 4pm

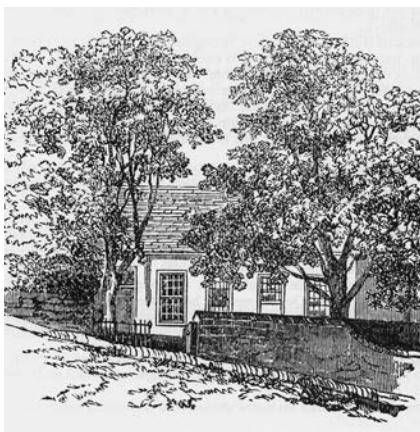
SAT 9TH

11am – 4pm

SUN 10TH

1pm – 4pm (also anyone welcome to Meeting for Worship 10.30am – 11.30am)

Opportunity to look around an historic Quaker Meeting House (Religious Society of Friends). Exhibition about local Quaker properties. Short walk to local Quaker properties on Saturday at 2.00pm. Continuous demonstration/workshop of felting and quilting. [www.wooldalequakers.org.uk](http://www.wooldalequakers.org.uk)



# H Open events in Huddersfield

## Beaumont Park

Beaumont Park Road, HD4 7AY

SAT 9TH

Walk 2pm

SUN 10TH

Walk 2pm

The Friends of Beaumont Park invite you to take a guided 2 hour walk around the historic and beautiful Beaumont Park, Huddersfield's oldest park. A mixture of formal and woodland paths will take you through all aspects of this park, led by either the author of the Beaumont Park book or the chair of the Friends. The walk will highlight man-made and natural features of the park from the Victorian age and railway, through WWI and the Verdun trees and up to present day, when we will show you what improvements and restoration work the Friends have achieved in collaboration with Kirklees Council since 1998.  
[www.fobp.co.uk](http://www.fobp.co.uk)



## Briarcourt

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28 Occupation Road, Lindley  
HD3 3EE

SAT 9TH

Tours at 10am, 11am, 1pm, 2pm

Built as a wedding present for Herbert Higginson Sykes and his bride Annie Eliza Thompson in 1895, Briarcourt was the first of a number of local commissions for Manchester architect, Edgar Wood.

Most of the original panelling, fitted furniture, plasterwork, stained glass and metalwork survives in this remarkable Arts and Crafts house. A painted frieze by F.W.Jackson has been conserved and recently re-instated.

In 2014, after more than 60 years of institutional use, Briarcourt became a private family home again and is in the process of being renovated. The tours provide an opportunity to view the progress and discoveries that have been made.  
[www.edgarwoodinyorkshire.co.uk](http://www.edgarwoodinyorkshire.co.uk)



## Dugdale Bros & Co

NEW EVENT

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5 Northumberland St  
HDI IRL

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THU 7TH

Guided tours 2pm, 3pm & 4pm

For over 120 years Dugdale Bros & Co has supplied premium grade cloths and trimmings to the finest clothiers and tailors in the UK and beyond. The Dugdale name has become synonymous with luxury fabrics and its 'MADE IN HUDDERSFIELD' label a hallmark of quality around the world.

Visitors will be invited to step through the doors of The Towers, built by W H Crossland in 1875, to discover Dugdale's illustrious heritage. On 45 minute tours, guests will gain exclusive access to the cutting rooms and cloth stores, which are brimming with history but still fully operational. An unmissable opportunity for those interested in Huddersfield's rich textile heritage. [www.dugdalebros.com](http://www.dugdalebros.com)



## Folly Hall Mill

NEW EVENT



Britannia Rescue, Folly Hall Mills,  
St. Thomas Road, Huddersfield,  
West Yorkshire, HD1 3LT

BOOKING  
ESSENTIAL  
VIA VIP  
SEE P3

FRI 8TH

Tours 12noon & 4pm

Visitors will be able to take a guided 30 minute tour of floors 2, 3 and 5 of the 1844 grade II\* listed Fireproof Mill. Originally the floors of The Fireproof were rented out to a variety of traders, but by the early twentieth century it was taken over entirely by Joseph Lumb & Co. for worsted spinning. Now the mill is office space.

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Folly Hall Mill

Photography will be allowed in communal areas but not on the operational floors. The building is not normally open to the general public to observe. [follyhall.hud.ac.uk/about.htm](http://follyhall.hud.ac.uk/about.htm)



## Greenhead Park: Explore the History



50 Greenhead Park, Trinity Street HD1 4DN

**FRI 8TH**

Walk 6pm

Greenhead Park is an attractive Grade II listed Victorian town park which has been restored to its former glory thanks to a multi-million pound Heritage Lottery funded project. Historic features include a bandstand, Italian Gardens & fountain, conservatory, and two war memorials. These were all refurbished during the restoration which also included reinstatement of the main lake and perimeter railings.

An early evening guided walk (60 to 90 mins), starting at the Trinity Street gates, will visit the main features of the park and reveal its fascinating history. The walk will be led by local historian David Griffiths, author of *Secured for the Town: The Story of Huddersfield's Greenhead Park*.

[www.friendsofgreenheadpark.org.uk](http://www.friendsofgreenheadpark.org.uk)



## Holy Trinity Church



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Trinity Street HD1 4DT

**FRI 8TH**

Tour 7.30pm

**SUN 10TH**

12.30pm – 5pm

**BOOKING ADVISED VIA VIP  
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Holy Trinity Church (pictured bottom left) was built 1816-19 by Benjamin Haigh Allen, of nearby Greenhead Hall. Designed by Thomas Taylor, it is a fine example of late-Georgian Gothic architecture. It has high-quality early twentieth century wood carvings. The interior was sympathetically modernised in 1995 to meet present-day needs as well as preserving many of its historical features.

On Friday there will be a guided tour of the church, followed by refreshments and an optional additional tour of the church crypt.

On Sunday the church and its churchyard (which forms part of the Greenhead Conservation Area) will be open for general viewing. Watch drone footage of the recently completed roof restoration project. [www.holytrinityhuddersfield.com](http://www.holytrinityhuddersfield.com)



## Huddersfield Leisure Centre

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Spring Grove Street HD1 4BP

**THU 7TH**

Tour 5pm – 6pm

**FRI 8TH**

Tour 2pm – 3pm

Visitors will have the opportunity to see the entire leisure centre facility from top to bottom. The tour will be conducted by a representative from AHR the architecture company who designed the leisure centre and will be able to talk about the building's purpose and design. A Kirklees Active Leisure representative will be on the tour to answer any questions regarding current operations within the centre and the facilities available.

[www.huddersfieldleisure.co.uk](http://www.huddersfieldleisure.co.uk)





## Huddersfield Library & Art Gallery - behind the scenes

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Princess Alexandra Walk  
HD1 2SU

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THU 7TH

Tours 11am & 3pm

This grade II listed building, designed by E H Ashburner, opened in 1940. The Art Gallery on the top floor of the building hosts Perspectives: Aspects of the Kirklees Collection, with major works from the collection together with a programme of changing exhibitions: Thu 8th 11am - 7pm, Fri 9th & Sat 10th 11am - 4pm

90 minute tours of the Library and Art Gallery, including West Yorkshire Archives and areas (and material) normally closed to the public. Some areas have narrow access.



## Huddersfield Station Water Tower

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The Old Water Tower, Huddersfield Railway Station, St. George's Square, HD1 1JF

SUN 10TH

10am – 4pm

Visitors can see close up the restoration of this 1870s Water Tower, that used to supply steam locomotives with water at Huddersfield Station. The work to restore the building and convert it into a base for the Association of Community Rail Partnerships has been done with a low carbon footprint in mind, demonstrated by the displays inside. An excellent demonstration of how old disused buildings can be brought back into use.

Winner: Railway Heritage Awards 2013 - Network Rail Partnership Award.



## King James's School

NEW EVENT

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St. Helens Gate, Almondbury HD4 6SG

SAT 9TH

10am – 2pm

The present school site has had a school on it since 1547. The oldest part of the site dates to about 1750 when the school house was rebuilt. Other classrooms still in use date from 1848. This old part of the school will be open to visitors and guides will be around to point out important historical features both inside and outside the buildings. [www.kingjames.org.uk](http://www.kingjames.org.uk)



## Lawrence Batley Theatre

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VIA VIP  
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Queen Street HD1 2SP

FRI 8TH

Tour 11am

Why not take a fascinating glimpse behind the scenes of our Grade II\* listed building and enjoy an engaging tour delivered by members of our professional theatre staff team? We are delighted to offer a 45 minute 'backstage' guided tour of the Lawrence Batley Theatre. Your group will be led around the building and offered an intriguing insight into the workings of a busy theatre! At the time of booking please specify any mobility or access requirements so that we are able to accommodate everyone comfortably. [www.thelbt.org](http://www.thelbt.org)





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## Lockwood Baptist Church

Lockwood Road, Lockwood HD1 3TG

**SAT 9TH**

11am – 4pm

BBQ from 12noon.Tours 1pm & 2pm

Lockwood Baptist Church dates from 1792. Rebuilt in 1850 in its present form by Huddersfield architect John Kirk, in Classical style with pediment and first-floor Venetian window above Tuscan porch. Interior beautifully reordered in 1980s.

With a 1905 Connacher Organ, available to visiting organists to play on request, war memorials, remodelled graveyard / memorial garden with stones dating back to 1790s. [www.lockwood-baptist.org.uk](http://www.lockwood-baptist.org.uk)



## Longwood Sing

**NEW EVENT**



Outside at the amphitheatre, at the foot of the Nab End Tower, off Back Thornhill Road, Longwood HD3 4UW

In St Mark's Church, Longwood if wet.

**SUN 10TH**

2.15pm

Community Sing. The first Longwood Sing took place in August, 1873 at the foot of Nab End Tower, built in 1861. The tower was the result of the labour of local weavers who were out of work at that time; unemployed because of the American Civil War.

There has never been a break in the annual sing. Now in its 144th year the Sing has earned the reputation of being 'The Mother of all Sings'. All welcome to attend this wonderful community event. Concrete seating - bring a cushion!



## Queensgate Market

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL VIA VIP SEE P3**

Princess Alexandra Walk HD1 2UJ

**SAT 9TH**

Tour 10am

Experience one of the best modernist spaces in the UK. Chris Marsden, the market's historian and expert guide will provide a history of and special access throughout architect Seymour Harris's design, where you will gain rarely seen views of spectacular umbrella roof sections which oversail Fritz Steller's timeless ceramic frieze. This beautiful late 1960s composition of art, engineering, space and light in the urban realm will be a real treat.

Queensgate Market opened in 1970 and was listed grade II in 2005. It is the only post-war listed building in the town centre. Its dramatic public art and 21 freestanding roof sections – asymmetric hyperbolic paraboloid concrete shells – make it unique. [www.huddersfieldcivicsociety.org.uk](http://www.huddersfieldcivicsociety.org.uk)



## Rails, Roads & Canals of Huddersfield

**NEW EVENT**

Harold Wilson statue,  
St. Georges Square HD1 1LG

**SUN 10TH**

Walk 2.30pm

Starting with a look at railway and public transport history and artefacts in the town centre, local transport enthusiasts will lead a walk that then moves on to look at the Huddersfield Broad and Narrow canals. Members of Huddersfield Canal Society will explain the history of both waterways and how the latter was reopened.

[www.discoverhuddersfield.com](http://www.discoverhuddersfield.com)



## Royds Hall - Pride and Prejudice - Harold Wilson's Role in the Decriminalisation of Homosexuality



Luck Lane, Paddock HD3 4HA

SAT 9TH

10am – 3pm

As well as the chance to tour the historic building with our students there will be a presentation on former student Harold Wilson's role in the decriminalisation of homosexuality in 1967.  
[www.roydshall.org](http://www.roydshall.org)



## St Joseph's Catholic Church

NEW EVENT

Somerset Road HD 5 9AU

SUN 10TH

1pm – 4pm

Originally a 1915 Anglican church designed by Oswald White, sold to St Joseph's parish in 1953. The interior has an elaborate roof construction, beautiful stained glass windows and a side chapel dedicated to 'Our Lady'. In 1954 the organ was the first pipeless instrument of its kind to be installed in a local church.

The original St Joseph's Church of 1894 was on Commercial Street as a Chapel of Ease to St Patrick's Church. St Joseph's parish was established in 1913.

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Huddersfield Catholic History Group will be sharing its history of the formation of St Joseph's Parish and displaying its collection of photographs of St Joseph's and other Huddersfield parishes.



## St Stephen's Church, Lindley

Lidget Street, Lindley HD3 3JB

**SAT 9TH**

10pm – 4pm

**SUN 10TH**

1.30pm – 4.30pm

**BOOKING  
FOR TOURS**

St Stephen's is a Grade II listed building designed by renowned local architect, John Oates, and built in 1829 by Joseph Kaye, known as the 'Builder of Huddersfield'.

Events include an exhibition to celebrate 50 years of Lindley Art Club, a 'Lindley People' graveyard tour BOOKING ESSENTIAL (SAT 10.30am) and 'Ask Anything' church tours BOOKING ADVISED (SAT 11.30am & 2pm, SUN 2.30pm). ALL BOOKINGS 01484 645695 or vicaroflindley@hotmail.co.uk



## St Thomas's Church

Manchester Road HD1 3HU

**THU 7TH**

9am – 7pm

**FRI 8TH**

9am – 7pm

**SAT 9TH**

9am – 7pm

**SUN 10TH**

9am – 7pm

Fine Grade II\* Victorian Gothic Revival church designed by Sir George Gilbert Scott and consecrated in 1859 as a memorial to the Starkey family, local mill owners. Interior was re-ordered in 1990. Exhibition on Scott and Starkey family.



Heritage Open Days 2018 are on  
13-16 September. Ideas? Offers? Contact us –  
[www.kirkleeshod@gmail.com](mailto:www.kirkleeshod@gmail.com)

## Tolson Museum



Wakefield Road HD5 8DJ

**SUN 10TH**

11am – 4pm

Fascinating collections reflecting Huddersfield's past on display in this grand Victorian building. From Bronze Age remains to the impact of the textile industry, and an innovative toddler trail, Tolson Museum has it all! For Heritage Open Days on the Sunday see new and classic bikes on show in the park with a variety of stalls. Organised by the Friends of Tolson & Ravensknowle. [www.kirklees.gov.uk/tolsonmuseum](http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/tolsonmuseum)



## Town Centre Lion Hunt

Harold Wilson statue,  
St. George's Square HD1 1LG

**SUN 10TH**

Walk 10.30am

Chris Marsden, Chair of Huddersfield Civic Society, and Madeleine Longtin lead another opportunity to search for the town's lions. Huddersfield has scores of lions on its buildings and public art - here's a chance to see them at a safe distance. Binoculars encouraged. [www.discoverhuddersfield.com](http://www.discoverhuddersfield.com)





## Upper Edgerton - 70 years of suburban style

NEW EVENT

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Kaffir Road HD2 2AN

SUN 10TH

Walks 10.30am & 12.15pm

BOOKING  
ESSENTIAL  
VIA VIP  
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Today's Edgerton Conservation Area was Huddersfield's premier Victorian suburb, and Upper Edgerton its most opulent quarter. This short walk views villas in varied architectural styles dating from 1855 to 1925. Led by David Griffiths, author of newly-published *The Villas of Edgerton: home to Huddersfield's Victorian elite*, it visits the private grounds of four major houses, ending at Edgar Wood's Grade I listed Banney Royd, where the owners' organic market garden will be open for business.

[www.huddersfieldcivicsociety.org.uk](http://www.huddersfieldcivicsociety.org.uk)



## Victoria Tower, Castle Hill



Lumb Lane, Almondbury HD4 6TA

SAT 9TH

12noon - 4.30pm

SUN 10TH

12noon - 4.30pm

Perched on Castle Hill, Victoria Tower was completed in 1899 to celebrate the 60th anniversary of Queen Victoria's reign. The corner-stone of the tower was laid on 25 June 1898. The walls of the tower are four feet thick at the bottom, tapering to two feet at the top. The tower was renovated in 1960 when the top seven feet were removed. It reaches the height of almost 997 feet above sea level.

The site contains a diverse mosaic of wildlife habitats and working with Natural England, Castle Hill is a designated Local Nature Reserve.



## Woodhouse Mill Ponds Nature Reserve

NEW EVENT



Woodhouse Mill Ponds,  
Woodland Road, off Leeds  
Road, Deighton HD2 1FB

THU 7TH

9am – 3pm Tour top of each hour

Take a look at the regeneration and creation of a nature reserve, protected woodland area, two fishing lakes designed to get kids involved in fishing, a special dipping pond area and an overview of the historic mill operation including original water controls and even a WWII gun mount. There is a picnic area on site, bus stop opposite and walking distance to Deighton railway station. Bring the kids and let's go bug hunting.  
[www.learn2fish.ltd.uk](http://www.learn2fish.ltd.uk)



## 4th World Congress of Psychogeography (2017)

FRI 8TH

Heritage Quay, The Schwann Building, University of

SAT 9TH

Huddersfield, Queensgate HD1 3DH

SUN 10TH

S2R, 5-7 Brook Street HD1 1EB

After last year's popular weekend of walks, talks and detours, the 4th World Congress of Psychogeography returns to provide an alternative look at history, heritage and the world around us. Full details at [www.4wcop.org](http://www.4wcop.org)



# **H** Open events in Kirkburton

## All Hallows Church

**NEW EVENT**

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Shelley Lane, Kirkburton  
HD8 0TE

**FRI 8TH**

10.30am – 3pm  
Organ recital 1.30pm

**SAT 9TH**

10.30am – 3pm

Grade I listed and considered to be the most complete example of a 13th Century church in West Yorkshire. In 2017 this 800-year-old church was recognised by the Church Buildings Council as being one of the most significant parish churches in the country. History exhibition, trails and quizzes, in the church and churchyard. Bell tower open. [www.allhallowschurch.com](http://www.allhallowschurch.com)



## Emmanuel Church, Shelley

**NEW EVENT**

Huddersfield Road, Shelley HD8 8LH

**SAT 9TH**

10.30am – 3pm

Grade II listed church built in 1866-8 (architect WV S Barber). The day focuses on the Victorian era with Victorian games and a sing-around of Victorian nursery rhymes, quizzes and trails. Bell tower and churchyard open. [www.emmanuelchurchshelley.co.uk](http://www.emmanuelchurchshelley.co.uk)



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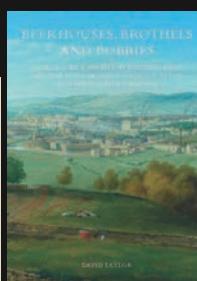
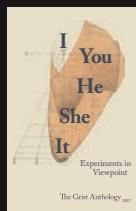
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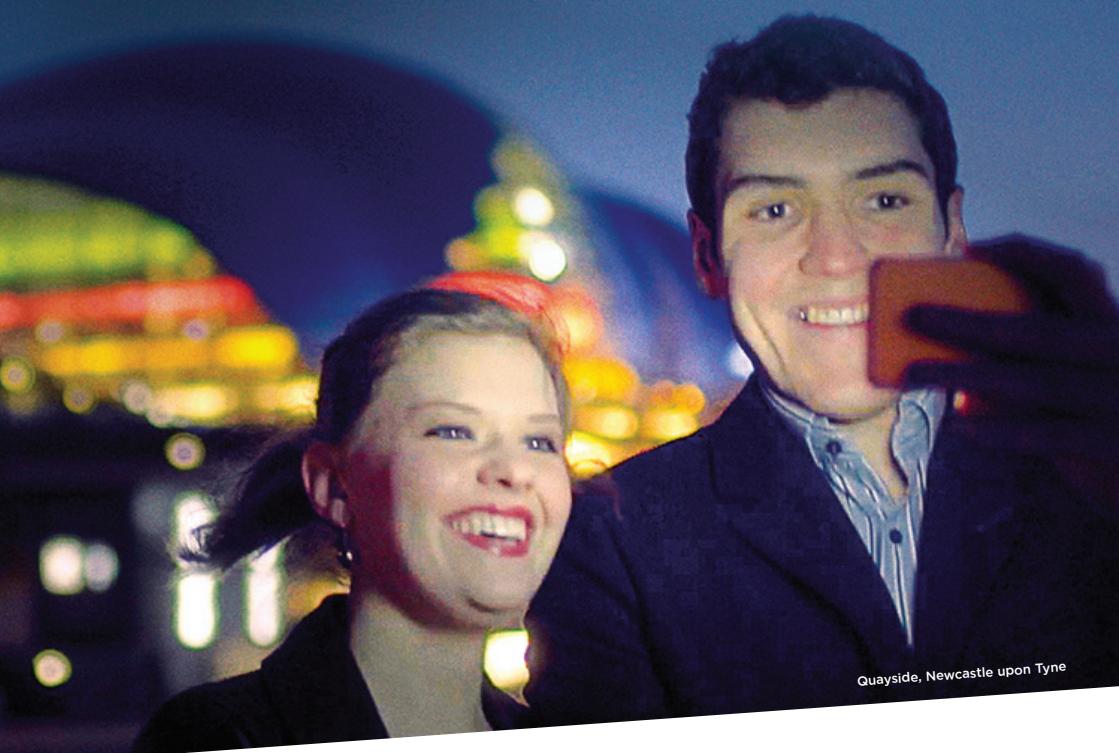
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# H Open events in Meltham

## Christ Church, Helme

[NEW EVENT](#)

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Slades Lane, Helme, HD9 5RW

THU 7TH

10am – 2pm

FRI 8TH

10am – 2pm

SAT 9TH

9am – 11.30pm

SUN 10TH

10am – 2pm

Christ Church is known locally as "The Rainbow Church". It was built in 1859 in memory of a son of Charles John Brook, who had died at the age of 27.

The church has three special features, the first being that it has no stained glass windows: the plain glass being left to show God's handiwork of the natural surrounding trees and countryside. The second is the spire, the only wooden shingle spire in Yorkshire and only one of two in the North of England. The third are the original painted texts on the walls inside of the church, all extracts from the New Testament.



## Huddersfield & District Family History Society Exhibition

[NEW EVENT](#)

Huddersfield & District Family History Society, 33A Greens End Road, Meltham HD9 5NW

SAT 9TH

10am – 4pm

SUN 10TH

10am – 4pm

We are hosting an exhibition as part of Meltham Heritage Weekend displaying family history research relating to important historical figures in Meltham and interesting aspects of Meltham's local history. There will be the opportunity for people new to family history to have some 'taster' research done of their family at our research room.

We will have family trees on display here and in the Carlile Institute relating to the Carlile and Brook families. [www.hdfhs.org.uk](http://www.hdfhs.org.uk)



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## Meltham Blue Plaque Walks

NEW EVENT

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Carlile Institute Car Park,  
Carlile Street, Meltham HD9 4AE

SAT 9TH

Walks 12noon – 3pm

SUN 10TH

Walks 12noon – 3pm

Meltham Walkers are welcome invite you to join their Blue Plaque Walks. On both days, one walk will finish at Wilshaw Church and the other at Helme Church.

There are also Junior Blue Plaque Walks. You can do them in your own time by collecting a walk sheet from Meltham Library, the Newsagents or Café 33. The walks will pass through the Pleasure Grounds and there will be a free Carlile Tote Bag for those taking part. [www.walkingmeltham.com](http://www.walkingmeltham.com)



## Meltham Carlile Institute

NEW EVENT

54 Huddersfield Road, Meltham HD9 4AG

SAT 9TH

10am – 4pm

SUN 10TH

10am – 4pm



The Carlile Institute opened in 1891, Funded by JW Carlile, designed by John Samuel Alder. The Carlile Family Tree will be on display. Guided tours available on request.

The Institute is part of the Meltham Blue Plaque Trail and there will be guided walks around the trail (see separate entry). [www.carlileinstitute.co.uk](http://www.carlileinstitute.co.uk)



## Meltham Parish Church Hall

Greens End Road, Meltham HD9 5NW

FRI 8TH

10am – 4pm

SAT 9TH

10am – 4pm

The church hall will be open for refreshments all day and will be showing old films of events that used to go on around Meltham in days gone by. Come and spot yourself or friends in the local carnivals etc. [www.melthamparish.co.uk](http://www.melthamparish.co.uk)



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## St James's, Meltham Mills

NEW EVENT

Huddersfield Road, Meltham Mills  
HD9 4AL

FRI 8TH

10.30 – 3pm

SAT 9TH

10am – 12noon

Church open Friday & Saturday to enjoy the stained glass windows and explore a display of archive material.

On Friday you can also join the volunteers in the church hall making and sorting gifts, filling shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Learn how over 14,000 boxes are processed and made ready to go round the world bringing Christmas joy to underprivileged children. See how greetings cards are recycled to raise money for the Huddersfield Welcome Centre.



## St Mary's, Wilshaw and village

NEW EVENT

50 31 Wilshaw Road, Wilshaw HD9 4DZ

FRI 8TH

11am – 4pm

SAT 9TH

11am – 4pm

SUN 10TH

12noon – 4pm

St Mary the Virgin Church (listed grade II) is in the pretty and peaceful Wilshaw, having just 60 homes. The church was built as a memorial to Mary, daughter of Joseph and Eleanor Hirst. Mary died in childbirth in 1859 and the foundation stone was laid in 1862 by her mother. The building is Romanesque in style with a central porch, bell tower and spire, which separate the church from the Sunday School and the Church House.



## St Bartholomew's, Meltham

Greens End Road, Meltham HD9 5NW

FRI 8TH

10am – 4pm

SAT 9TH

10am – 4pm

Visit our exhibition of photos and memorabilia of events in the church and around Meltham.

Have a tour of the church to see the stained glass windows. Learn about the history of the church and graveyard.

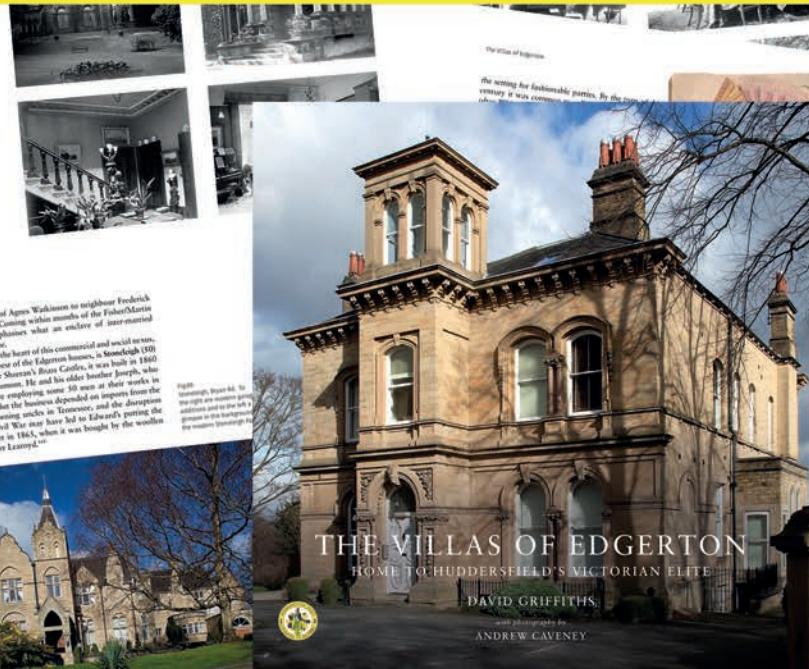
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