

YOUR COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Seasonal updates and information for the residents of Appleby, Santon & Clapp Gate

In 2022, Her Majesty The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee after 70 years of service

Princess Elizabeth born on 21st April 1926 and known to her family as Lilibet, was prepared in her formative years to succeed her father King George VI. She married her distant cousin, Philip Mountbatten on 20th November 1947 at London's Westminster Abbey. The first of Elizabeth's four children, Prince Charles, was born in 1948



In 1952, King George VI's health was poor, and illness forced him to abandon a proposed Commonwealth tour. Princess Elizabeth, accompanied by Prince Philip, took his place. On Wednesday 6 February 1952, she received the news of her father's death and her own Accession to the throne while staying in a remote part of Kenya. In an instant, she had ceased to be Princess Elizabeth and became Queen Elizabeth II.

Following the news, the tour was abandoned, and the young Princess flew back to Britain as Queen. She was greeted by Prime Minister Winston Churchill and other officials at the airport before returning to Clarence House. She was officially crowned in a Coronation ceremony at Westminster Abbey the following year on 2nd June 1953.

From the start of her reign, Elizabeth understood the value of public relations and allowed her 1953 coronation to be televised, despite objections from Prime Minister Winston Churchill and others who felt it would cheapen the ceremony. Elizabeth, the 40th British monarch since William the Conqueror, has worked hard at her royal duties and become a popular figure around the world

On her twenty-first birthday the Queen then Princess Elizabeth made this oath '*I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service*'. An oath she has unflinchingly kept



Ros Worsley shares her memories of the Queen's Coronation on 2 June 1953

I remember my father buying a Ferranti tv from Pinchbecks of Barton costing approximately £86 (£2,558 in today's money) especially for the occasion, our family were one of only a few other families in the village to own a tv. Our living room was packed with neighbours all hoping to watch this historical event. All the kids sat on the floor as the chairs were taken up by the adults.



The day was very wet, we were disappointed that lots of planned events had to be cancelled.

We were presented with a New Testament bible by the school, and a coronation mug and my sister and I were each given a plastic replica of the queen's coronation coach



The fancy dress competition wasn't a great success as most of the outfits were made of crepe paper which quickly fell apart with the rain. The sports events on the field were also canceled.

In addition to the bible, mug and the Queen's coronation coach mentioned by Ros there was much more memorabilia available at the time, shown here are two examples



Recollections of Sheila Davey who has lived in the Village since she was three years old.

Appleby School held a fancy dress party for children to celebrate the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II

Sheila was living in Appleby at that time and remembers her children Carol, Roger and Jennifer taking part in the fancy dress party. Her sister Joyce (Harrison) was also there along with her family, Jaqueline, Valerie, Martin, Paul, Wendy and Stella.

The Headmistress at the time was Miss Bradshaw who lived in Appleby, the second teacher at that time was Miss Tugby who lived in Santon.

The village had a post office sited at No 23 Ermine Street and there was a shop at No 14 Churchside managed by Mrs Maddison

Farmer Mr Joseph Jackson and his family lived what we now know as Keb House residential home, and the farm office was at what is now named The Cottage on Churchside.

Charles Hutton was a blacksmith at what was the Old Forge on Ermine Street now seen as number 7 Ermine Street, and his son Joe was a well known member of the village who gave so much to the Community.



Joe Hutton on the left with a group of village bell ringers at St Bartholomew's in the mid 1980s



Neighbourhood Watch

Your contacts

In an Emergency or crimes in progress always call 999

None Emergency calls, to report a crime or to report suspicious activities use 101 or details can be made via Humberside Police website: www.humberside.police.uk

It is important to report any crimes no matter how small or seemingly innocuous. Lack of reporting can result in reduction in Police numbers for an area

Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator

Appleby Parish Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator Roger Fernando contact details

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Neighbourhood Police Team:

Insp 2155 Craig Leitch

Sgt 1254 Jamie Allen

PC 21 Steve Parsons

Who are supported by:

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shane.moody@humberside.pnn.police.uk -

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kevin.horsfall@humberside.pnn.police.uk -

07464649744

The contact details for Shane and Kevin should not be used for reporting crimes or incidents, instead use the 101 or 999 service

My Community Alerts, is a Police updating service which will keep you informed of recent scams etc, to set up this facility visit

<https://www.humberside.police.uk>

then follow the links to /My Community Alert,



Safer Neighbourhoods

Can be helpful with helpful information that can avoid crimes etc

Contact Sandra Joyce:

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Heating & Diesel Oil Theft

Theft of heating and diesel oil has been a problem for many years and the Police have always noticed an increase in this type of crime whenever the price of crude oil rises. A rise in the price of fuel at the petrol pump inevitably leads to a rise in the cost of heating oil. This makes oil a more attractive proposition for the thief and they are now actively targeting fuel tanks at farms, transport depots and domestic properties. The thief may be using the oil for their own central heating or selling it on at a handsome profit.

These tanks can contain many thousands of pounds worth of oil and it therefore it makes good sense to take a few precautions to protect them. The purpose of this leaflet is to give the reader a few ideas about what can be done to make life more difficult for the thief.

Control switches

Control switches that control the flow of oil should be turned off and the electricity supply isolated when the tank is not in use.

Padlocks

A thief will usually come equipped with a limited range of tools to attack your tank, so it is worth spending a little more on good quality locks. Close shackle padlocks are the best as they offer most resistance to the most popular burglar tools; the bolt cropper! Due to their design, close shackle padlocks have very little of the metal hoop (shackle) exposed and bolt croppers cannot get a good grip.

Oil level gauges/alarms

Remote electronic oil level gauges are now available which will set off an audible alarm if the oil level in the tank suddenly drops or falls below a quarter full. These gauges can be located in the kitchen, or perhaps a utility room to warn of any potential problem. (Some alarms will emit an audible alarm if the tank rate drops 1.5cm in a minute, which is not common in a domestic tank). Cost £70-100

Security lights

Security lights can have a very positive effect and make any property a much harder target for the thief. It is not always necessary to floodlight the area with high power beams, as a more suitable level of lighting may be all that is needed. Low energy "dusk 'til dawn" lights positioned close to the tank should, in most cases, provide sufficient light to illuminate any suspicious activity. This type of light can be both effective and inexpensive. High powered lights can be used, but care should be taken not to cause any nuisance to neighbours or road users.

A leaflet is available and can be picked up from Appleby Village Hall

Dates for your diary

Village Hall

Parish Council Meeting (dates subject to change)

Tuesday 21 June 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Tuesday 19 July 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Regular events

Community Cafe (open to all) every second Wednesday 9:30am to 12 o'clock

Wellbeing (open to all) every alternative Wednesday to Cafe 9:30am to 12 o'clock

Bingo every second Wednesday evening

Other events at the Village Hall

Jubilee Weekend Picnic in the Park (in the Playing Field)

Friday 3rd June 3pm until late (weather permitting)

Gardens & Scarecrow Day

Provisionally Sunday 10 July

In conjunction with Friend Group and the Village Hall:

Other events to be announced

To book the village hall for an event in first instance please contact Jonathan Witty via email: jonathan.witty1970@hotmail.co.uk who will revert to you

St Bartholomew's Church:

Other than Easter, Christmas, Weddings and Funerals there are no regular services held at St Bartholomew's. For regular service visit All Saints Church Winterton link: <https://lincoln.ourchurchweb.org.uk/winterton/>

Parish Council Keeping You Informed

Appleby Parish Council ~ Ivor Keyes

In addition to usual local information this summer edition of Your Community Newsletter is a commemorative edition for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee to be held over the long weekend of 2nd to 5th June to celebrate her accession to the throne on 6th February 1952. Many memories of those of a certain age are of the celebrations surrounding her Coronation in 1953. The 1950s were a decade well worth reflecting on, it is interesting to look back on those years and contrast them to today's way of life. In that regard thanks very much to the newsletter editor Andrew Fowler for compiling this Jubilee edition which we hope you find of interest.

Andrew began publishing the Newsletter in 2017 and has continued even though he has moved away from Appleby. Andrew's enthusiasm came to light when the Parish founded a group to campaign against a suggested Wind Farm in the Ancholme Valley, which eventually didn't come into being.. That group of people went on to successfully campaign for broadband to be installed by way of Fibre to the Cabinet for the village (not the parish as whole) rather than being lined up for connection via Quickline's rooftop radio antenna line of sight based system, which would have had numerous blind spots because of the surrounding trees blocking the signals!

From Wind Farm and Broadband many of the same group then turned to developing what is now the adopted Appleby Neighbourhood Plan, and is used by Parish Council and North Lincs Council when determining Planning Applications among other things, and runs until 2030. The Plan supersedes what was the 1998 Village design statement which again was a consultation process with residents before my time here. This along with Wind Farms and Broadband would be common knowledge, but as we have had a turnover of residents in the past three to four years and so it is worth mentioning. The development of the Neighbourhood Plan was a consultation process with residents, who expressed how they wanted the Parish to look in the forthcoming years. Members of that group have lived in Appleby Parish for varying periods, most had raised their families here and were dedicated to conserving what residents had said was important to them. Just two of the group were Councillors. The Plan was funded by both Central Government and NLC. The cost to residents was virtually nothing other than the initial advertising. A specialist Planning Consultant was employed by the group, and an independent Planning Inspector was hired by NLC to ensure that the Plan was legally sound and also reflected the information that residents had submitted. NLC also provided the services of a Planner to help guide the group through the process. The plan was formally adopted by NLC in September 2019.

Playground Equipment, it's good to report that things are moving forward with the purchase of replacement of some of the older equipment. We're expecting work to start in July and hopefully completed in August.

Parish planters will be restocked for summer and it would be helpful if residents close to the planters could continue the watering they have been doing in past years, thank you in advance. Hedges in the village are important from an aesthetic perspective but also from how they can restrict pavements, if that can be borne in mind.

Santon Lane we are still trying to determine the ownership of lane between the Toll Cottages and Woodside Concrete, which has been a long standing issue, especially regarding maintenance. NLC did make some one off road repairs, although that part of the Lane is not their responsibility.

Repairs to the road at High Santon Villas are to be undertaken by British Steel, which may also result in the removal of the West most bus stop, to prevent flooding.

Straw on the village lanes has continued past harvest time this year and we're wanting to address that, however we're led to believe that there will be a change in the sweeping regime in the near future. Parish Council are also arranging for footpaths on Church Lane and Ermine Street to be swept as an extra by a private business.

Appleby Parish Annual Meeting was held on Tuesday 17th May where some residents in attendance raised a number of concerns, some of which we have been able to address immediately. It is worth bearing in mind that all PC meetings are open to the Public as well as all agenda and minutes being available for reading on the Appleby PC website on the following link: <http://www.applebypc.org.uk/default.aspx>

Vacancies, there are vacancies for Parish Councillors should anyone be interested. The minimum requirement is the applicants should be over 18 years of age and have lived in the Parish for more than 12 months. There has been quite a turnover of residents in the last few years and the views of not just younger generations, but also new arrivals will be helpful going forward for how the Parish will look now and in future years. Why not drop in to a meeting to get an idea of the type of issues that can be addressed. Future dates of meetings can be found on the PC website at www.applebypc.org.uk. Further details can be obtained by contacting our Parish Clerk 07394225986, or e-mail clerk@applebypc.org.uk, or by visiting the PC website mentioned above

Boundary changes, in this edition there is an outline at page 4 on the proposed realignment to local wards as well as national parliamentary constituencies.

Wishing all a good summer and an enjoyable Queen's Jubilee weekend

Signal Box We've received information that it will be repainted by Network Rail, but **not until 2024** at the earliest! What many may not know is that the Signal box is in fact a Grade II Listed Building heritage wise. Residents have offered to paint it but Network Rail would not allow that.



Footpath, you will have noticed that work has been started on the connecting footpath between Appleby Village and the Station Area, which has been an issue for some time.

The work is yet to be completed



Can you help?

Guide dogs for the blind

Elizabeth Felgate ~ My Sighted Guide Volunteer Experience Officer

My Sighted Guide is a service that aims to match volunteers with people living with sight loss in their local community. The 'partnership' then goes out together, often once a week, either for a social outing or for something more specific such as building confidence or practicing routes.

Guide Dogs for the Blind are trying to grow the service across Lincolnshire and have several clients on their waiting list. However, unfortunately don't have volunteers to match them with.



Full training, support and expenses are provided

If you are able to give time in helping please contact Elizabeth on 07500993190

The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association website: www.guidedogs.org.uk





Appleby Home Front Group

Yvonne Grant
Secretary Home
Front Group

**APPLEBY
HOME
FRONT**

You may have noticed some odd shenanigans going on at Budgie's Green (aka School Lane) in December? A giant, hand crocheted Christmas tree and a crazy Daisy cow for example?

Our amazing yarn-bomb raised over 700 amazing £s for the homeless charity Shelter. Thank you all for coming to see Santa and for your donations – you are simply brilliant. We had yarn donated from friends, family and neighbouring villages.

We've not stopped there though.....

Did you find a heart on Valentine's day? We crocheted over 100 of the little beauties for you to find, just to let you know folk care. We've all been through some tough times over the past couple of years.

We are currently raising funds for the victims of the absolutely dreadful conflict in Ukraine. To date..... we've raised.....an unbelievable..... £1458.00, that's way past our target!!!

Just stunning.

We are also exchanging small crocheted items for donations – if you would like to contribute to the fund and receive a hand-made treasure contact us at applebyhomefront@gmail.com, or myself (Yvonne Grant), Jane Smith, Margaret Burgin, Pam Hall, Louise Rushworth, Wendy Marshall or Liz Johnsen and we'll get in touch.

All donations are gratefully received, no matter how small or how big. Let's do our bit, Appleby. Please.

We're sorry we aren't able to organise a festival just yet but in light of recent events and commitments it just isn't possible. We'll keep popping up though, there's no stopping us

Take care everyone, stay safe, have a wonderful jubilee

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100 Club

Jenny Hook - Organiser

The following are the recent ticket numbers and winners:

March

£50	59	Neil Gordon
£20	81	Terry Myers
£10	56	Jon Langthorne

April

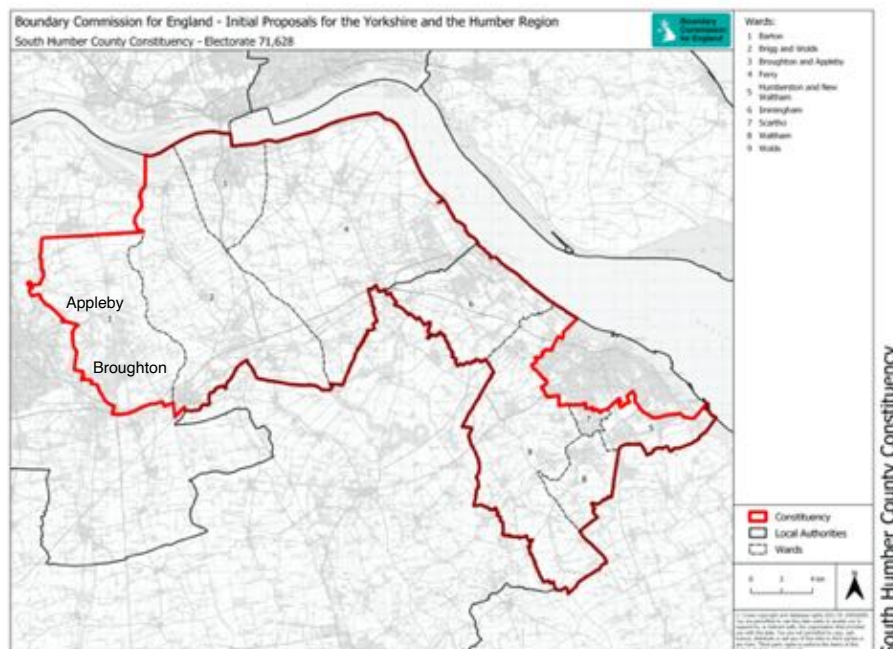
£50	32	Darren Smith
£20	84	Jacky Johnson
£10	45	Glynn Evans

The 2023 Boundary Review

Every eight years the Boundary Commission is required to review the Parliamentary constituencies in England (Wales, Scotland & N Ireland have their own Commissions). The next review has to be presented to the Speaker of the House on 1 July 2023. A Parliamentary constituency must have an electorate that is no smaller than 69,724 and no larger than 77,062 ± 5%.

To meet the electorate numbers means the current parliamentary seat covering Appleby which is held by Andrew Percy as MP for Goole & Brigg is absorbed into other large or new constituencies.

For Appleby this means moving into new Parliamentary constituency to be known as South Humber. The area is as per the map below



At the same time the Scunthorpe Parliamentary constituency will be expanded north and westwards to include the Burton upon Stather, Winterton, Burringham and Gunness Wards.

The Axholme Wards will be placed in a constituency to be named Doncaster East and Axholme. Goole will be moved into an extended constituency to be titled Goole and Haltemprice

It now gets a little complicated as in addition to the the Boundary Commission's work there is also a body known as the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) who have reviewed the local Wards and have concluded the Roxby and Appleby should be moved into the Burton Stather & Winterton Ward and that Broughton is to be moved into the Scawby Ward.

The complicated bit is Appleby's move into Burton Stather & Winterton Ward which means for local government council elections Appleby will be part of Burton Stather & Winterton Ward whereas for national government MP elections Appleby will be in the South Humber constituency whilst Burton Stather and Winterton will be in the Scunthorpe constituency

For more information on this it is worth reading:

1)Boundary Commission link <https://boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk/2023-review/yorkshire-and-the-humber/initial-proposals-for-new-parliamentary-constituency-boundaries-in-the-yorkshire-and-the-humber-region/page/4>

2)Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) link: <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/yorkshire-and-the-humber/north-lincolnshire/north-lincolnshire>

Minutes on this matter from Appleby PC meeting March 2022

The Clerk discussed the final recommendations for the 2023 Constituencies and Local Government Boundary changes.

The Appleby Parish will be moving from the North Lincolnshire ward of Broughton and Appleby to Burton-upon-Stather and Winterton, but where-as Burton-upon-Stather and Winterton will be transferring to the Scunthorpe County Constituency, Roxby and Appleby will be part of the newly named South Humber Constituency.

While these changes may lead to confusion over who represents Appleby, these are the final proposals, and it was felt that it might not be effective to lobby to be in the same constituency as the rest of the ward.

Resolved not to make any representations to either of the Boundary Commission.



Village Hall

Jonathan Witty ~ Chairman

Appleby Village Hall Management Committee

Well, it has been a fairly busy few weeks since the last Village Hall update! The new members of the Village Hall Management Committee have already proven invaluable additions to the team, adding ideas and expertise in many areas that are both greatly appreciated, and much needed.

Our most recent event of the Race Night was a huge success and we thank all those who attended, and especially the younger members of the village who carried out stable and Jockey duties to perfection! I think this will be a regular on the entertainment calendar.

As a team, we are now very much focussing on the forthcoming Platinum Jubilee Celebrations and will be hosting a **Picnic in the Park on Friday 3rd June** starting at around 3pm until late. Weather permitting, we will arrange tables and chairs in the sunshine near to the playground with plenty of bunting and union jacks!



We hope the children will accept our invitation to enter the "Best Homemade Crown Competition" with prizes for 2 age categories of 9yrs and under and Over 10's. There will be garden games for the kids and families to play... and who knows, we might even get a game of rounders organised later in the day.

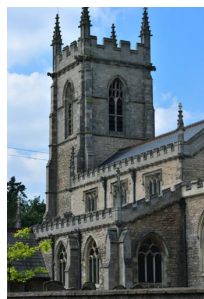
We will have the Apple & Bee Inn set up in the Wooden Gazebo in the Park serving the usual beverages (soft and Alcoholic) with the new addition of summery Jugs of Pimms - a very British tiple!

We really hope as many residents as possible can come along - there will be a complementary commemorative gift for every household as a thank you for your continued support of the Village Hall.

Our plan is to provide a reasonable picnic spread for the tables but hope you will also bring some picnic nibbles of your own to enjoy. I'm old enough (just) to remember the street parties of 1977 for the Silver Jubilee, so hopefully we can recreate some of that togetherness at our Party.

Friends of Appleby Parish.

The current church has been here since 1862. As the queen celebrates 70 years on the throne, we are celebrating 180 years of our current church. This is not old when set against other English churches, but it is still worth celebrating.



We will be holding an AGM for the Friends Group on the 22nd June at 7pm at North Brook, Haytons Lane, Appleby. This shouldn't take more than 90 mins so please come along.

We are working with the Village Hall to run a **Gardens and Scarecrow Day on Sunday 10th July**. There will be refreshments, a cake stall and a tombola. If you would like to open your garden or can help with cakes for the stall etc then please contact Rosemary Jeremiah via the Friends Facebook Page or drop her a note at Treveris Haytons Lane. Cost will be £2.50 per adult, children go free. There will be more info shortly on our facebook page and on the village noticeboards.

We are looking to rebuild the gateposts of the church shortly and clean up and rehang the gates. Your donations to the Friends Group enable this to happen.

This last year we have raised just short of £3,500

Many thanks.

Events The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Weekend 2022



Thursday 2nd June

Trooping the Colour: The Queen's Birthday Parade will be held on Thursday 2nd June 2022 starting at 11am. The colour will be trooped by the 1st Battalion, Irish Guards, and more than 1200 officers and soldiers from the Household Division will put on a display of military pageantry on Horse Guards Parade, together with hundreds of Army musicians and around 240 horses. This annual event has now marked the official birthday of the British Sovereign for over 260 years.



Friday 3rd June

Service of Thanksgiving: A Service of Thanksgiving for The Queen's reign will be held at St Paul's Cathedral. Great Paul, the largest church bell in the country, will be rung for the Service. It was made in 1882, but fell silent in the 1970s due to a broken mechanism. It was restored in 2021 and has been rung on 8 occasions since, but this is the 1st royal occasion it will be rung.

Saturday 4th June

The Derby at Epsom Downs: Her Majesty The Queen, accompanied by Members of the Royal Family, will attend the Derby at Epsom Downs.

Platinum Party at the Palace: Hosts Kirsty Young and Roman Kemp will lead live coverage of the Platinum Party at the Palace

Sunday 5th June

The Platinum Jubilee Pageant: The Gold State Carriage, led by The Sovereign's Escort, will lead the Platinum Jubilee Pageant, embracing the latest in digital technology to evoke the excitement and majesty of her journey to be crowned 70 years ago.

1950s a brief snapshot.....

The 1950s began with austerity and ended with affluence. Teenagers listened to American Rock'n'Roll, but Teddy Boys were a British cult.

British car makers took their lead from America and replaced gentle curves with chrome and tail fins. The 1950s was a decade of conservative values, as well as Conservative Governments from 1951.

As a result of shortages during World War II in the early 1950 petrol, sweets, and sugar were still rationed. Britain was paying off the debt from the Second World War and needed exports to bring in foreign currency. In spite of economic problems, Clement Atlee's Labour Government had already pushed through an ambitious social programme in the late 1940s. In the 1950s the Welfare State and the National Health Service were a part of people's lives.

In 1951 with the aim of promoting the feeling of recovery, the Government (chiefly) funded the construction of the Festival of



Britain on a 27 acre derelict area on the South Bank London which had been left untouched since being bombed in the war. With a budget of £12 million (£402 million in today's money). the Festival opened in May 1951 and closed in September 1951

The festival was to celebrate British industry, arts, science as well as displaying contemporary design. It was hoped the event would inspire the thought of a better Britain as well as helping people put their worries aside. By it's close over 8.5 million people had visited giving the public its first taste of the new style which transformed homes in the 1950s and the 1960s Labour Force

Economic problems did not last long and by the middle of the 1950s, Britain's economy boomed. Our industries were powering ahead of our European competitors. In 1950 Britain produced 75% of the world's cars.

Education

Britain experienced a post-war baby boom. As a result, particularly in urban areas, class sizes grew. In some cases, classes held as many as fifty pupils at a time! Schooling concentrated primarily on the three 'R's, reading, writing and arithmetic. Children began school usually at the age of 5. As part of the Tripartite system, they sat an 11 plus exam. According to how successful they were, students then progressed to, grammar school, the secondary technical school (not in all areas) and the secondary modern school. The general leaving age for school remained at 15, as most children walked to school and traffic levels rose, an act in July 1953, introduced the first school crossing patrols!

Housing

Four million homes had been destroyed by enemy bombing during the World War II particularly in the major cities. An archived report from 1950 stated that only 46% of English homes had bathrooms. Most used tin baths and outdoor toilets!

During the 1950s, more than two million homes were built and two-thirds of these were local authority housing including large-scale new estates.

Work

A demand for skilled labour meant high wage packets and a new affluence for working people. The Prime Minister, Harold Macmillan, captured the spirit of the age when he said "Some of our people have never had it so good"



Earnings,

Prices were cheaper, but people earned less. The average wage in 1950 was just over £5 per week but by the end of the decade it was £9. Prices were going up, but wages were going up more quickly. People were better off by the end of the 1950s than at the start of the decade

On average people earned a lot less than they do today, even allowing for inflation. Even so earnings increased by 60% during the decade.

Jobs

There were far more working men than women in the 1950s. It was still common practice for married women not to work outside of the home. In 1951 there were 14 million working men according to the Census, but only 6 million working women. This pattern changed slightly over the course of the 1950s. In the 1961 census the numbers were 15 million (today 17 million) working men and 7 million working women (today 15.6 million)

1950 occupation by % of working Men & Women			Estimated 000s workers	
Occupation	Men	Women	Men	Women
Metal manufacturing and engineering	16%	3%	2,240	180
Transport warehouse & communications	10%	5%	1,400	300
Commerce, finance and insurance	9%	4%	1,260	240
Unskilled work	8%	6%	1,120	360
Agriculture	7%	3%	980	180
Clerical work	6%	20%	840	1,200
Building	6%	1%	840	60
Professional and technical work	5%	8%	700	480
Defence (military and civilian)	5%	3%	700	180
Mining	4%	>	560	0
Woodwork	3%	>	420	0
Textile & clothing manufactures	2%	12%	280	720
Domestic/personal service	3%	23%	420	1,380
Management	3%	1%	420	60
Other occupations	13%	11%	1,820	660
Total Approx			14,000	6,000
			Total workers	Approx 20M

NHS

By the 1950s spending on the NHS far exceeded what I been expected by Parliament and the Treasury. In 1949 the Government passed legislation allowing it to impose a charge for prescriptions and in 1951 charges were introduced for dental and optical care. In 1952 prescription charges were finally introduced.



In 1953 the then Minister of Health set up a committee to examine these increasing costs - this was the Guillebaud Committee of Enquiry. The Committee found that lack of resources was in fact the key factor and felt that more money should be allocated to the NHS. In addition the Committee felt that the tripartite structure (of Hospitals, General Practice and Local Councils) also contributed to the difficulties of the NHS in this period.

Despite these difficulties the 1950s saw the more rational planning of hospital services, dealing in part with some of the gaps and duplications that existed across England and Wales. The period also saw the growth in the number of medical staff and a more even distribution of these staff together with the development of hospital outpatient services. The Mental Health Act of 1959 also significantly altered legislation in respect of mental illness and reduced the grounds on which someone could be compulsorily admitted and detained in a mental hospital.

Society

Teenagers with more money to spend started Britain's first youth cult, the Teddy Boys, (there were Teddy Girls as well). Their outlandish style of dress and acts of violence shocked British society. The 1950s was also the decade of American Rock'n'Roll. Young people in the latest fashions danced to music despised by their parents.

Television, brought the biggest change to people's lives. In 1950 very few people had a TV set and large areas of the country were not covered by TV transmitters. By 1959 three quarters of the population had access to a set. Other luxuries, such as washing machines and 'fridges, took second place and many people had to wait until the next decade for them

Summary

The 1950s brought affluence and more freedom to many. However, it was still a society in which people left school, got a job, got married and settled down. Few had horizons beyond that.

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