

The Victoria Dock Church has a new vicar. This name is Jonny Guy and we have managed to get an exclusive interview with with the man who will be leading the Victoria Dock congregation.

Firstly we got to know a little bit about him. "I grew up in the West Midlands, quite near Leamington Spa and I grew up in a family that was very loving. I have to say, I have wonderful parents but we weren't really a churchgoing family. We went maybe for Christmas, but that was about it. When I was 17, I moved to a new school and I met some people my own age who had something different about them. They had something that I didn't have, something that I wanted and it turned out that they were Christians. They brought me along to their church and to their youth group. I went along, started hearing about this passion for Jesus and I started reading this book called The Bible."

We asked him what he wants to bring to the church on Victoria Dock. "You know, a lot of people tell me I'm relatively young for a vicar. I think when they think of a vicar, they think of someone who is quite old with a beer belly and kind of an old beard. So, as you can see I'm not really that, so I want to bring a bit of energy to the church and the area. The congregation at the Victoria Dock Church are a lovely group of people that's been faithfully worshipping here, ever since the dock was completed. So hopefully a bit of freshness, some fresh ideas, some fresh energy and to build on what's already been done. We're here to love the dock, to serve the doc. We believe that that Jesus loves the dock and loves everyone on the dock. We want to tell people about him and invite people to come and worship with us. So hopefully I'll help to get the word out that we're here."

Then we talked about his journey to get here. "The training is in two parts. So the first part, I went to university to do a theology degree and I did that. Then the second part is what's called a curacy, where, it's sort of hands on training, a bit like an apprenticeship, almost. So I've actually been doing that in this parish, spending the last three years working at Saint John's on Rosemary Street, Saint Columbus Church and here. I've been doing that for the three years and I've really enjoyed it. Three wonderful churches, all different, all serving different areas of the parish. I've really enjoyed that. Then the team vicar, Martyn Westby, sadly had to retire in March because of his health, which is sad but it then meant that there was a vacancy going to be the team vicar and I was really delighted to be able to apply for that and to be offered the role".

Finally we asked about what is happening with the church going forward. "So we're here every Sunday at 10:45am. We meet in the village hall, so everyone's welcome to come along. We'll be there. Come rain or shine. We also have an event coming up in October, on Saturday, October 11th, we've got a quiz, which again, is open to anyone. So come along, enjoy the Quiz and get to meet some people or get to spend some time with people that you already know. We have more coming up, especially in our build up to Christmas, so keep an eye on our website and The Citadel, as we've got a little box in there. So keep an eye on that to see what's coming up and you might to come along."

A big thank you and welcome to Vicar Jonny Guy and you can find out more information at victoriadockchurch.org.uk or follow them on Facebook.



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## FUN DAY 2025 THANK YOU

Saturday July 5th saw the return of the Victoria Dock Fun Day we would like to say a massive **THANK YOU to everyone** who made it such a great



Thanks to our main sponsors for the day included Humber Fish Company, Breedon Aggregates, The Three Crowns Pub, Karl & Jo Bradley, Chesters Fish & Chips Shop, Victoria Dock Church & Jacob & Associates Ltd.

We also had help with the Fun Day raffle from **Peak** Physique Health & Fitness Centre, TeamSport Karting, Moo Music, Train Time, Glow Bambino and all the residents who contributed prizes. We'd also like to thank all the stall holders, all the staff that managed the rides, all our wonderful volunteers, Humberside Police & Fire & Rescue and our DJ and host for the afternoon.

Our **BIGGEST THANK YOU** goes to everyone who came to the Fun Day and made it such a great occasion.

#### **HULL MALE VOICE CHOIR**

The Hull Male Voice Choir were founded in 1911 and we have sung all over Hull and the East Riding raising funds for local charities & other worthy causes.

We are now based at the Victoria Dock Village Hall & Community Centre rehearsing on Wednesday evenings from 7.30 - 9.30pm. The choir are looking for new members and would be delighted to see anyone who is interested in joining when we resume from our Summer break on Wednesday 3rd September. No experience is necessary but the ability to sing in tune is a requirement. Why not come and meet us and have a chat over a cup of tea/coffee.



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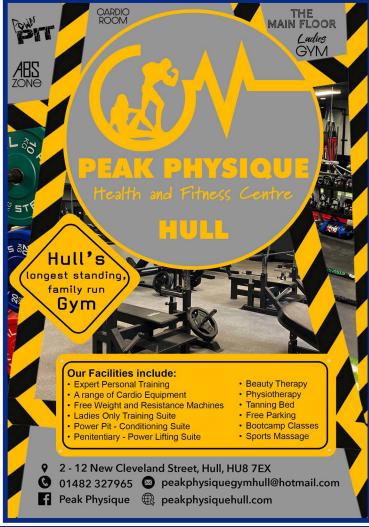
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## SAVE THE DATE

It might seem a little bit early but we've had a message from the North Pole to tell us when Santa returns to Victoria Dock!

The visit of Father Christmas to the Dock is one of the highlights of the year and an event that just keeps getting better and better. Santa loves coming to the Dock to work with the Victoria Dock Elves to make the run up to the big day even more magical.

This festive period he will return to the Three Crowns Pub on Monday 15th December for more carols, stories and the chance for little and big kids a like to tell Santa what they want for Christmas and have their picture taken with the man himself. So save date and keep an eye on our Facebook page for more information.







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### **ANYONE FOR CHESS?**

Victoria Dock Chess Club was established during the summer of 1997, shortly after the Village Hall & Community Centre opened. A junior section was introduced in 2022 and a second evening was added two years later due to popular demand.

Adult and junior members have the opportunity to participate in friendly social and competitive chess, including playing in local and regional competitions. The club has enjoyed some success winning local team and individual chess tournaments. In 2023, Victoria Dock Chess Club took part in the English Chess Federation National Club Championships held in Hull, winning the U1700 section. Some of our juniors have also represented the region in the Yorkshire Under-18 Team event.

None of this would have been possible without the continued support of local volunteers, parents, the Victoria Dock Village Hall & Community Centre Residents Association and the Hull & East Riding Chess Association. Volunteers and new members of all ages and abilities are welcome.

For further details, contact Richard Atkinson (E-mail: richard.a.atkinson@hotmail.co.uk).

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What's On at the Victoria Dock Village Hall & Community Centre

Vittage Hett & Community Centre	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
MONDAY	SEND Adult Craft Session 10:30am Train Time UK 10:30am - 11:30am	Available for HIRE	Yoga (6yrs - Adult): 6:30pm - 7:30pm Jr. Chess Club: 6pm - 7pm Fellowship Group: 7:30pm - 8:30pm
TUESDAY	Moo Music: Classes at 10:00am, 11am & 12:10pm	Available for HIRE	Yoga Class: 6:30pm - 7:45pm Jr. Chess Club: 6pm - 7pm Chess Club: 7:15pm - 10pm The Troublemakers Group: 8:15pm - 9:15pm
WEDNESDAY	Baby Sensory: Classes at 10:00am & 11:30am	New Friends Group: 12pm - 1pm	Slimming World: 5:30pm - 6:15pm AA Just for Today Meeting: 7:30pm - 9:00pm Hull Male Voice Choir: 7:30pm - 9:30pm Guitar Group: 7:00pm - 9:00pm
THURSDAY	All Abilities Expressive Arts - Session: 10:00am - 12:00pm	Available for HIRE	Ballroom Blitz: 4pm - 6:30pm ReNew: 5:45pm - 7:45pm Latin American: 7pm - 8:30pm Book Club: 7:30pm - 9pm (1st Thursday of the month only) Ukele Group: 7:00pm - 9:00pm Dance Class (New): 7:30pm - 8:30pm
FRIDAY	Glow Bambino: Classes at 9:30am & 10:45am	Available for HIRE	Kung Fu Class: 5:30pm - 6:30pm Karate for Kids: 5:15pm - 6:15pm & 6:15pm - 7:45pm
SATURDAY	Available for <b>HIRE</b>	Available for <b>HIRE</b>	Available for <b>HIRE</b>
SUNDAY	Church Service: 10:45am - 12pm Cafe Church: 1st Sunday	Available for <b>HIRE</b>	AA Just for Today Meeting - 7:30pm - 9:30pm



#### **DANCING INTO RETIREMENT**

Thank you to Irene & Tony Bannister who have recently finished their ballroom and Latin American line dancing sessions at the Village Hall. They have used our Hall for over 25 years and many pupils have enjoyed their teaching over that time.

Irene & Tony are now enjoying a well-earned retirement and the Village Hall Committee wish them all the best and thank them for their time here.

