



York Walls Festival 2020

Saturday 15th &
Sunday 16th August

In memory of Simon Perry,
Red Tower volunteer

Online content:
bit.ly/walls2020

Look out for these special online videos and presentations launching as part of York Walls Festival 2020:

(videos directed by SharpStick Films – www.twitter.com/sharpstickfilms)

- Find out more about the **1190 massacre at Clifford's Tower** in a new video presented by Shannon Kirshner, of York Liberal Jewish Community. Shannon also talks about the 'My Castle Gateway' redevelopment and how the events could be commemorated.
- Join the **River Foss Society** on a video journey between Layerthorpe Bridge and Foss Bridge, where they compare today's views with photographs and pictures from the fascinating and ever-changing history of this stretch of the river.
- Ever wished you could explore parts of the walls that are usually off limits? Discover **hidden spaces at Fishergate Corner Tower and Sadler Tower** with FOYW volunteers.
- Ian Tempest presents a Zoom version of his popular '**Red Brick York**' walk that featured in last year's festival – follow live at 7pm on Weds 12th August, or catch-up later.
- Did you know there are many **images of the City Walls** dating back to the 1840s in the Explore York collection? A new Flickr gallery is now live.
- What are your thoughts on whether York should be a **World Heritage Site**? Watch a presentation by the steering committee online or on the screen at Red Tower.
- Ever wondered how monuments are cared for and preserved? Bar Walls Manager Dr Louisa Hood will share a blog post on approaches to **conservation**.

Plus, **open days** organised by volunteers of two York groups from 10am to 4pm:

- **Fishergate Postern Tower** – volunteers from the Friends of York Walls will be on hand to show you around this watchtower, dating to the early 1500s. The tower is at the southern end of Piccadilly.
- **Red Tower** – the only brick-built tower on the City Walls. See inside this community hub on Foss Islands Rd.

Visitor numbers will be restricted and visitors may have to queue for a short time before gaining entry. Hand sanitiser available.

Note that the walls are operating clockwise: Monk Bar > Red Tower > Fishergate Postern > Micklegate Bar > Lendal Bridge > Bootham Bar

Also, along Foss Islands Road, see five **display boards** about the gap in the City Walls, brought to you by the River Foss Society.
