

Great Yarmouth Heritage guides reveal new series of fascinating local history talks

People are being invited to discover more about Great Yarmouth's fascinating history with six new talks by the town's Heritage Guides.

The one-hour talks take place at 1pm on the second Tuesday of January, February, March, October, November and December at the Town Hall in Great Yarmouth. Each talk costs £5.50 per person to attend and includes a hot drink on arrival and the chance to ask questions at the end.

In the first session – which is already fully booked - on January 14, people will find out about witch trials that took place in Great Yarmouth.

The second talk, entitled 'Yare Beat – The Greatest Hits', takes place on February 11. Guests will be entertained with a history of rock and pop across Great Yarmouth and Gorleston.

The third event, entitled 'Great Women from Great Yarmouth', takes place on March 11 and pays tribute to inspirational women from the borough and is in honour of International Women's Day.

Talks taking place later in the year include 'Pablo Fanque and the Victorian Circus' on October 14, 'Behind the Screens – Amphibious Tanks of Fritton Lake and D-Day', on November 11 and 'Ghost Stories of Great Yarmouth' on December 9.

Booking is essential for all the talks at www.heritage-walks.co.uk with booking closing 48 hours ahead of each event.

Ruth Cockrill, Great Yarmouth Borough Council's marketing and events officer, said: "Our borough is blessed with an amazingly rich history and we are lucky to have an excellent team of Great Yarmouth Heritage Guides who are able to share their knowledge with a wider audience.

"These latest series of talks promise to offer a fascinating glimpse into our past and we're sure those who attend will enjoy these events in the wonderful setting of the historic Town Hall."