

Alderman "Owd Bob" Thornton was one of the longest serving Mayors of Brighouse and was in office from 1909 to 1916. His family was closely associated with Bridge End Chapel, Rastrick.

In 1912 he welcomed King George V on his visit to the town.

He gave the clock and balustrade on the old Town Hall in Thornton Square in Brighouse which is named after him.

He donated £20 to the fund



