

# **LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY NEWSLETTER**

**MAY 2017**

## **LAST MEETING**

At the last meeting Mr. Rob. Hamilton from the Halifax Great War Society gave a talk on 'The Amazing Mrs. Humphries'. This lady lived in Luddenden, and in the early 1900s, moved abroad and ended up in America. There, she and her husband made a wager that they would travel all around the world in two years, using normal transport. They originally paid their way by giving talks in various cities they came to, and selling photographs. She covered most of the Americas and Australia, but never got to Africa or the Asian continents. Money was always short, and there came many requests to father back in Luddenden for more. The attempt was finally ended on the outbreak of war in 1914, when she came back to England, settled down and finally died in the early 1960s.

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

There have been no new planning applications submitted to Calderdale since the last newsletter.

## **WW1 COMMEMORATIONS**

Two further commemorations took place on 25 April (Willie Mitchell) and 3 May (John Murgatroyd). At the latter, the poppy cross was placed by the current residents of the home of John Murgatroyd at 57 High St Fold, Karen and Grahame Page. We've also visited two local Care Homes to talk to the residents, and discovered a nephew of George Broadbent who will be commemorated next year.

Forthcoming commemorations (at noon, do join us if you are able to) are on:

Sunday 28 May for Private Charlie Dewhirst (22) of Lane Ends, Midgley – current resident Ian Bailey will be joining us

Thursday 8 June for Lt Richard Bracken Farrar (37) of The Hollins – Adam Lowe who gave us a talk about Richard two years ago will be joining us again.

Thanks to Calderdale Community Foundation for their financial support of the project.



## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be a business meeting with no speaker, on Thursday, May 25th at 7.30pm in the Lord Nelson. Everyone welcome.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

Last Thursday in the month, at 7.30pm in the Lord Nelson, with a speaker or film bi-monthly

**JUNE 29th** Mr. S Waring (Halifax & District Rail Action Group) "Network Rail & the Calder Valley Line". A talk about the future of the Calder Valley line.

**JULY 1st** Luddenden Village Open Gardens Day

**SEPTEMBER 28th** Mr. David Glover of Halifax will give a talk on Branwell Bronte

**LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY, CHARITY NUMBER 504387**

**OFFICERS: Rodney Collinge (President and Newsletter Editor) Phone 01422885141**

**Peter Layfield (Chair) Phone 01422884275**

**Catherine Elgar (Secretary) Trevor Oaten (Vice Chair) Tony Hillyard (Treasurer)**