

Minutes of General Meeting

Thursday 25th September 2025 at 7.30pm

Attendees: Tony Hillyard, Kevin Murrell, Maxine Cuthbertson, Steve Thompson, Rik Lihou, George Corbett, Geoff Budd, Dilys Marsden, Aileen Atkinson, Rod Atkinson

Apologies: Nigel Peterson-White, Ian Knox

Update on Old Vicarage:

David Bowker was hoping to attend the meeting to give an update on the work in and around the Old Vicarage but could not attend. Tony gave an update on the various struggles with the insurers and the insurance ombudsman. A decision from the ombudsman is expected soon. The waste around the gap in the graveyard wall has been cleared and the wall is to be rebuilt. During November, a series of 'Soil Nails' are to be driven into the 'cliff' below the vicarage, but this will be conducted from above. David Bowker has been in touch with our local MP and is hoping for a meeting soon. Tony Hillyard has been invited to attend.

Planning: See lan's report attached.

Donations:

It was agreed that the Society would fund the village Christmas tree as usual. TH to order a suitable tree. It is still to be decided whether the society should donate to the church organised Firework Night.

Events:

Maxine to organise the annual Christmas wreath competition in the village. Maxine will ask last year's winner Rebecca to be a judge. There will be a wreath making workshop by Mary Smith on Thursday 20th November with the Society funding the room and proceeds going to Ukraine

Car Park:

It was agreed to add two new QR codes to the notice board in the car park to allow for cashless parking.

A.O.B.:

Kevin M and George C to work on the new 'Welcome to Luddenden' visitor and resident pack.

Replacement signs are being sourced for Brook Terrace that will say Bridleway rather the footpath as they do at present.

Tony H has produced a detailed timetable of future village events and will share with the group.

Next meeting 7.30 pm Thursday 27th November, St Marys Church,

David Glover will give a talk entitled "Lost Houses of Halifax - Castle Carr and High Sunderland"

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Report to Luddenden Conservation society Planning applications for September 2025 meeting

The below is a summary of applications current in the planning map for our area. Not all of these are in the conservation area, but may be of interest:

12 Tollotsen Holme – a new self build proposed for the garden (In consultation)

This would sit between the canal and river.

Highways Object

Yorkshire water have concerns

Environment agency say various issues need addressing before resubmitting the application.

This is proposed for a flood area rated 3a.

Local planners have also raised concerns the proposal would not be in natural products.

Croft Moore Bottom Heath Hill replacement dwelling resubmission (under consideration)

Does not accord with the development plan

Would be a larger footprint

Yorkshire water appear to be concerned there is no connection to sewer and nothing in the plan about a treatment plant.

Popplewells lane (Between Deep lane and Butts Green Lane – Conversiion to a 2 bed dwelling Rejected – Greenbelt land.

Kershaw Health Clinic – Replacing roof and associated works. (Application logged)

Behind 12 Rose Place (Off Burnley Road) proposed 6 dwellings (In consultation)

Many objections from locals – overdevelopment, increased traffic near school, loss of parking. Being overlooked Highways have commented suggesting requirements for surfacing the road, widening the access and the pavements.

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