

# LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY



## NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY 2016

### LAST MEETING

The last meeting was told that we have still not had any offers to take over as Secretary of the Society. This mainly involves taking the minutes for each meeting, and occasionally writing letters on behalf of the society. The latter job is mainly carried out by others from the Society's sub-committees, and the minute taking is the main job. This is not very onerous, but it does mean that at the moment, meetings are not being minuted, and we would appeal for anyone who thinks they could do this to come along to the next meeting and see exactly what it entails and whether they might be able to do it.

### PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

There has only been one planning application since the last newsletter, to fell one tree at The Old Coach House, Mill Lane Number 16/20026/TPO. There have not been any decisions on previous applications.

### WORLD WAR 1 PROJECT

After a pause in the project due to people having to withdraw, we are now at the stage where we would like to trace any relatives of the men named on the war memorial who may have photographs, letters, memories or stories of these men which have been passed down, and which they would be willing to share with us. We would like to hear from anybody at all—relatives or friends of relatives. If you are willing to help, please call Peter Hayes on 01422 884145 who will be willing to come and meet you as soon as is convenient for you.

### A NEW COMMUNITY SINGING GROUP

Do you like to sing but don't want to join a formal choir? Would you like to sing in an informal group for fun and not have to travel far? If so, come and sign up to the Midgley/ Luddenden choir! The choir will meet in Midgley Community Room on Thursday evenings for one hour. We need a minimum of 10 members to make it viable.

The choir will be led by experienced musicians, Francesca Murray (Pianist) & Rhys Williams (Vocalist).

Please contact Francesca on [francescamurray@hotmail.com](mailto:francescamurray@hotmail.com) / 07542919931 / [www.fmurraymusic.co.uk](http://www.fmurraymusic.co.uk) if you're interested or require more information.

### COMMUNITY RIGHTS OF WAY SERVICE (CROWS)

The floods and torrential rain this winter have caused a huge amount of damage to footpaths in the Upper Calder Valley. CROWS have a list of paths they need to repair, but they need the public's help to identify problems that are out there. From this week there are 4 ways to report a path problem to CROWS: Call their new Path problem line on 0784 964 0784 and leave a message, Send a message through the CROWS Facebook page, Email [crows-coop@outlook.com](mailto:crows-coop@outlook.com) (a photo of the problem would help) or leave a note at Mountain Wild, Hebden Bridge or White Ribbon in Mytholmroyd or at Todmorden Visitor centre. Please tell them about any path problem, not just those related to flood damage. Why not put the number in your contacts for any future use.

### CRIME WARNING

There have recently been a number of break-ins to barns, stables and huts. These are not casual, but bear the hallmark of being planned beforehand with the use of power tools to gain entry, and theft of thousands of pounds worth of equipment. If you have any of these, make sure you take all precautions possible to prevent such entry, including an alarm system.

**NEXT MEETING** will be on **25th February** in the **Lord Nelson at 7.30pm**, and will have as guest speaker GWYNN EVANS from Riding Head farm who will give a talk about his Luddenden Valley wine making business, and bring along a few samples. It may be recalled that when BBC Country File programme visited the area two years ago, Matt Baker described the wine as delicious, so note down this date and come and see for yourself.



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