

LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY



NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2016

LAST MEETING

The last meeting of the Society was the Annual General Meeting. The Chairman, Peter Layfield, gave a report on the last year, which has been particularly productive. The Society has had a village namestone erected at the bottom of New Road, which looks particularly fine. The Society has also straightened the steps at the bottom of the top path into the Churchyard, which is now open again. A grant of £500 was obtained from Calderdale for work on local footpaths, which was carried out by CROWS (Calderdale rights of way society). Grants have been given to the Luddenden gardening Club for the World War 1 medal displays inside the Churchyard, for the November Bonfire and for the Father Christmas visit at the beginning of December. Together with the cost of insurance for the car park, a total of £3500 has been spent by the Conservation Society and £1500 by the Bloom group—a total of £5000. Officers were elected as shown at the bottom of the newsletter.

Eddie Goodall also spoke to the last meeting about Metal Detecting. This first involves getting permission from the owner of the land then covering the field in an organised fashion. Most finds are within 6 inches (15cm) of the surface, and when the detector senses metal, from the reading given, the identity of the metal can usually be found. Eddie then showed us a selection of the finds that he has made, dating from as far back as 4000 years old to much more recent coins and other artefacts.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There are three new planning applications this month.

The first is for replacement windows and doors to the rear of 1 Carr Well, New Road, number 16/01294/LBC. The second and third are both for alterations to Roebucks Farm, on the opposite hillside and across from Kershaw House. This is one of the oldest and most iconic properties in the Luddenden area, and like Carr Well is also listed. The first is to restore an opening in the east gable and introduce 4 heritage skylights, number 16/01274/LBC. The second is for an extension and utility room, number 16/01287/LBC. Comments can be made to Calderdale Town Planning department, Northgate House, Halifax.

LYNDA'S CRAFT AFTERNOONS

On the second Wednesday afternoon of each month from November onwards starting from 1pm, Lynda Gaukroger will be starting Craft Afternoons in the Lord Nelson Inn. There will be free tips, advice and lessons on lots of different crafts (although no sewing machines initially). Ring Lynda on 07799287616 or 886213 for more information, or ask at the bar. There will be no charge for attendance, although the Lord Nelson does provide tea or coffee and refreshments which are optional at a cost of £3.50

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Santa Claus will again be visiting Luddenden at 5pm for the usual Christmas Grotto in St. Mary's and carol singing outside on Saturday 10th December.

Christmas walk Wednesday 28 December

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Society will be on Thursday, October 27th in the Lord Nelson, starting at 7.30pm. Everybody welcome.

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