

LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY



NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2016

LAST MEETING

At the last meeting, it was decided to deliver the newsletter somewhat earlier than we have been doing, to give people more time to make arrangements if they are going to come along. Due to our ongoing printer problems, this is not very much earlier, but hopefully once we have overcome our problems, the newsletter will come mid-month.

The Bloom Group have been clearing various spots around the village following the end of the growing season. The last Bloom group newsletter of the year has not been printed due to our current problems, but is available on the website and Facebook.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There is one new planning application this month, to prune one tree and to fell one tree at 36 Carr Field Drive. Comments can be made to Calderdale Town Planning department, Northgate House, Halifax

SANTA'S VISIT TO LUDDENDEN

The Conservation Society will again be providing a Christmas tree and lights for the village, and these will be switched on on Saturday December 10th at 5pm in the village centre. Pupils from Midgley School will be singing carols there, and later in St. Mary's Church. Father Christmas will arrive in Luddenden during the carol singing, and will then be going on to his grotto in St. Mary's Church to see and talk to young children. Each child will be given a present, and a donation of 50p will be asked to part fund the cost of the presents. For grown-ups, there will again be punch and mince pies, tea, coffee and soft drinks. These will be provided free of charge by the Conservation Society, but anyone who wishes may make a voluntary donation for the Christmas Appeal by the Forget-Me-Not children's hospice. The Society is very grateful to the school and members of staff involved for coming along to sing in this way, this will be the sixth time they have sung for us, and I'm sure it will be up to their usual high standard.

CHRISTMAS WALK

The 22nd annual Christmas treasure hunt walk will take place on Wednesday 28 December, starting at 11am from outside the Lord Nelson in the centre of the village. For newcomers, the walk will be between 2 and 3 miles in length, and is suitable for pushchairs. There will be about 30 questions to find the answers to on the way round, and afterwards, refreshments are available in St. Mary's Church—pie and peas, home made pasties such as cheese and onion and home-made cakes, along with hot drinks. There is always a good turnout, in the region of 100 if the weather is fine, and it is a great way of walking off some of the Christmas food and meeting people. The cost of the walk is £1 for adults, children free, food extra.

LYNDA'S CRAFT AFTERNOONS

The first meeting went very well with a number of people present, and these will continue in the Lord Nelson on the second Wednesday of the month from 1pm onwards.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Society will be on Thursday, November 24th in the Lord Nelson, starting at 7.30pm. **There will be a talk and slides by Michael Denton on the wildlife of the Luddenden valley.** Everybody welcome.

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