

# LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY



NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2007

## **OPEN GARDENS DAY**

The Society is holding the Luddenden Open Gardens Day on Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, from 12 noon until about 5pm. There will be 16 gardens and allotments in this year's event (the largest number we have had) including show gardens, small gardens, mixed gardens, a wildlife garden and allotments. If you have any interest at all in gardening, this is the event for you. There will be a minibus that will be running on the day, and tickets and plans will be available from the Society's Car Park on Luddenden Lane, price £4, or at the reduced price of £3.50 beforehand at the next meeting, or by phoning 882206. Refreshments will be available from some of the gardens, and the In Bloom group will have a plant stall selling a wide variety of plants. Plants will also be available at the Methodist Church, at the junction of High Street and New Road, as they are all the time throughout the summer months.

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

There have been quite a large number of planning applications submitted to Calderdale from the Luddenden area. There is one to fell a sycamore tree at 8 Carr Field Drive and replace with a wider variety of trees, and one to prune trees which have grown through the wires and to remove saplings at The Old Coach House, Dene House Lane. At Holme House Farm, Booth, there are applications to fell 2 dangerous trees (a yew and a conifer) and to construct a porch extension. At 14 Church Hill, a plan to fit replacement windows (wooden) and repoint with a more suitable style of pointing, and at 6 Bethel Terrace to construct a side extension to form a granny flat and dining room extension to the rear. All these can be inspected at the Council Offices at Northgate House.

## **CALDERDALE DRAFT RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

The Society have been sent two copies of the above plan, which describes how they will prioritise and improve access to rights of way throughout Calderdale. If anyone is interested in this, they will be available at the next meeting. Comments should be made within the next fortnight or so.

## **YORKSHIRE IN BLOOM JUDGING**

This will take place on Thursday July 12<sup>th</sup>. There is more information in the Bloom newsletter, but we hope that everyone in the village will make an effort to have everything in tip-top condition on that day. As we have said before, the aim is not just to win awards, but to improve our village and surroundings for everyone's benefit that lives here, and we are all in no doubt whatsoever that it has improved enormously over the last 10 years.

## **DAMAGE TO ST. MARY'S STAINED GLASS WINDOWS**

We have been asked by the Vicar, Rev. Betty Pedley, to draw people's attention to the damage that has been caused to the windows by young people playing cricket on the grass. Could parents please check where their children are playing ball games, and if they are playing outside the Church, to persuade them to play elsewhere. Already, about £1500 has been spent on repairing the damage caused. The building is one of the most beautiful Churches in the Calder Valley, and I'm sure that no-one wishes to see this amount of damage being done to the windows, so please do take some action if you know children playing there.

The **Next Meeting** of the Society is on **Thursday, June 28th 2007** in the **Lord Nelson** at **7.45pm**. **Everyone welcome.**

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