

LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY



NEWSLETTER – NOVEMBER 2006

JOINT DISCUSSIONS

Representatives from other organisations in Luddenden and district were invited to the last Conservation Society meeting to discuss whether it may be possible to organise joint activities, or at the very least, to coordinate them so that two do not take place on the same day. A number were present, and it was decided that this could be explored further in future, and as a beginning, a calendar of activities in the district would be produced and circulated with this newsletter sometime at the beginning of next year.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

No new planning applications had been submitted, but a complaint had been submitted to the Society that dormer windows had been constructed at a nearby house without any appropriate planning permission. After considering the council's decision not to allow dormer windows in a recent planning application, and the fact that the Society is very much opposed to unauthorised building, it was decided to ask the Calderdale Town Planning department to enquire into this.

OPEN GARDENS EVENT 2007

It was decided at the September meeting to hold another Open Gardens event again next year, and the date was provisionally fixed at the last meeting as July 7th. It is hoped to have some new gardens which have not been visited before, and some of the old favourites open again. Any comments about gardens which previous visitors would like to see again will be particularly welcome. Please let Rodney Collinge (Phone 882206) know if you have any comments.

CHRISTMAS WALK

The tenth annual Christmas Treasure Hunt Walk will take place on Thursday, December 28th. This is now a real village traditional event, and as usual, the walk will be between 2 and 3 miles, and will be suitable for push chairs. There will be a number of questions to find the answers to, and pie and peas, home-made vegetarian options, flapjacks and other similar fare will be available afterwards. The walk starts (and finishes) at the Methodist Church at the junction of High Street and New Road at 11am. For the last two years, almost 100 people have started this, and it is the ideal way to shake off the Christmas excesses, and get to know people if you are new to the village.

NEW ROAD NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Members of this group are reminded that a meeting has been fixed for Tuesday of next week, 28th November at the Methodist Church at the junction of High Street and New Road starting at 8pm. Villagers in general are asked to be vigilant as Christmas and dark nights approach – one suspicious pair in an old white van have already been seen hanging around during the daytime, and this has been reported to the police.

CHRISTMAS CARD MAKING AND FAIR TRADE COFFEE MORNING

The Methodist Church is holding another Fair Trade coffee morning on Saturday 2 December from 10am – 12noon. Children (and adults if they wish) will be able to make their own Christmas cards, and Fair Trade goods will be on sale, together with Phoenix cards, cakes, buns and other home-made produce. Entry 50p, including coffee and mince pie.

The Next Meeting is on Thursday, November 30th, 2006 in the Lord Nelson at 7.45pm. Everyone welcome.

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