

LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY



NEWSLETTER – OCTOBER 2006

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM was held at the end of last month, and the officers shown at the bottom of the page were elected. Thanks were extended to all the people who had worked so hard for the Society in the past year. The accounts showed that expenditure on Luddenden in Bloom work totalled £2061, expenses for the car park cost £500 whilst income from the honesty box there totalled £207. The new website is up and running, and it was thought that this is a great improvement to the previous one. It was noted that the Radio 4 programme about Luddenden was on air on Monday September 25th, and is now available on the website. The result of the 2006 Yorkshire in Bloom competition was mentioned, and the achievement of a silver gilt medal was thought to be highly praiseworthy. Congratulations and thanks were extended to Jason Boom for the fantastic efforts which he has put in over the last 12 months to help achieve this result.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

An application has been made to convert outbuildings at Peel House to a swimming pool. No comments have been made to Calderdale regarding this. An application to build a house in a gap in the row of terraces on High Street has been refused.

BRITANNIA PLANNING ENQUIRY

The public enquiry to determine whether Britannia Housing would be allowed to develop land at Delph Mills, Luddendenfoot behind the old British Furtex Mill, to provide 30 more dwellings has turned this down. Britannia were given permission to develop some houses on the site of the old mill dam just behind the mill, but they will not be allowed to extend up into the green area. The Society has written to Calderdale to ask that they now serve an order on Britannia to remove all the material which has been dumped behind the mill dam on the green area. The Society was very pleased with this result, as it was felt that the representations made by the Society had definitely helped towards this outcome.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The Secretary has written to all the organisations within the village to invite them to the next meeting, when it is hoped to discuss whether they could get together to form a Luddenden Village Social Committee. This committee would be responsible for organising social events within the village, some of which may raise funds for worthy causes, but which would primarily be designed to bring people together and create more of an 'old-time' village atmosphere. Anyone who wishes to come is very welcome, particularly if you have some good ideas for some of the activities which could be undertaken. A village 'drama' group has been suggested (this last existed about 25 years ago), but any suggestions will be welcome. If you are just interested in this, you will not need to sit through the rest of the meeting, as this will be the first item on the agenda, so please do come along.

OPEN GARDENS EVENT 2007

It was decided to hold another Open Gardens event next year, and a date will be fixed at the next meeting. 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 Christmas Treasure Hunt Walk this year will take place on Thursday, December 28th.
The **Next Meeting** is on **Thursday, October 26th, 2006 in the Lord Nelson at 7.45pm.**

Luddenden Conservation Society

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Officers: Rodney Collinge (President and Newsletter Editor); Peter Layfield (Chair), Steve Thompson (Secretary); Tony Hillyard (Treasurer and Website Manager), Trevor Oaten (Vice Chair), Rick Painter (Planning Applications Officer), Jason Boom (Luddenden in Bloom)

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