

LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY



NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2010

LAST MEETING

A discussion was held at the last meeting on what should be done with the old Chapel in the graveyard. Although various possible uses could be seen for this, it was thought that it would be beyond the resources of the Society to take this on, and that in particular, if it were taken on and problems arose, this would have the potential to bankrupt the Society. It was therefore decided that the Society would not take any further action concerning the building.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

At the last meeting, an application to construct a garage for 3 at Ellen Royd, a games room and workshop was objected to on the grounds that this could be converted into further housing and was not in keeping with the existing buildings there. An application the previous month to construct a dormer window at Railes Cottages has been allowed, and the Society is very disturbed by this, as previous applications for dormers in the conservation area have been turned down. We have asked for a meeting with a representative from the Town Planning department, to try to find out the reason for this decision.

There have been no more planning applications for the Luddenden area submitted to Calderdale since the last newsletter. In one way, this may be a promising sign, as immediately after the developers at Oats Royd had been given permission to convert one large apartment into two smaller ones, they then submitted a fresh application to do the same again. This may mean, therefore, that they do not intend to ask for planning permission to convert any more of the large apartments they say they will be unable to sell each into two smaller ones.

NEWSLETTER DELIVERERS

The society would like to thank Dan and Hilly Fletcher for all the work they have done for the society delivering newsletters around the Oats Royd area for the last few years, and also Graham and Carol Pugh who have similarly delivered on Bluebell. Both have now given up, and the Society is similarly grateful to Mrs F Thomas, who has offered to deliver around Oats Royd. At the moment, we are looking for someone to deliver on Bluebell. The newsletters are dropped off at the home of the person who is delivering every month, and the time taken to deliver them around Bluebell is only about a quarter of an hour. If anyone would be willing to take that on each month, please let either Rodney Collinge or Trevor Oaten know – our telephone numbers are at the bottom of this newsletter.

TRAVEL INJECTIONS

The Society had been asked to find out whether it would be possible for the local doctors' surgery on Kershaw to hold a 'travel clinic' every month or so, when people who needed injections etc to go abroad could go to this for them. It was discovered that these are already held every two weeks, although no-one seemed to know about them. If you require these therefore, contact the surgery to find out the details.

FAIRTRADE SALES EVENING

There will not be a Fairtrade sales evening before the next Conservation Society on April 29th, due to the shopkeepers being on holiday. The next sales evening will be May 27th.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday April 29th**, in the **Methodist Church** at the junction of High Street and New Road at **8pm**.

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