

# LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY



NEWSLETTER – JANUARY 2006

## **CHRISTMAS WALK**

The Christmas walk was once again blessed by ideal weather for walking off some of the Christmas excesses, and about 90 people turned out. The route went up to Midgley, along Thorney Lane, down to Booth and back along the riverside path. The winners of the treasure hunt were the Lloyd and Cant party, who will be keen to retain their title next year. Almost £175 was made for Society funds.

## **VANDALISM**

During the school holidays, more vandalism has occurred in the village, whilst a number of people have also complained about under-age drinking taking place, and the use of illegal motorbikes on footpaths. We understand that complaints have been made to the police over this, and if anyone witnesses anything of this nature, the police advise people to ring them on 0845 6060606. Some of the people involved are not from the village, and as these activities are affecting everyone's enjoyment of our surroundings, we hope that the number will be contacted in an attempt to stamp out this behaviour.

## **KERSHAW SURGERY PATIENTS PARTICIPATION GROUP**

Representatives of the Society have again attended meetings of the group, and we understand that more changes are to be made to the telephone system, because the surgeries cannot be linked. We have also been informed that Mr Ian Marsland, previously at Hebden Bridge, will now be present in the pharmacy for part of the time.

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

No comment has been made to Calderdale regarding an application for a house at Snail House quarry (just along High Street from the bottom of New Road), but strong objections have been made over an application to convert Kershaw House into 6 apartments and build 4 house and 2 bungalows in the surrounding car park.

## **MIDGLEY COMMUNITY SHOP**

The above shop in Midgley is run by volunteers, who work for an hour or more of their time each week. Working in the shop is an excellent way of meeting people and increasing your social life, and also helping others, as the shop is an important lifeline for many older people in the area. They are looking for people of all ages to help either as a permanent volunteer, or to be on the reserve list when others are on holiday or unable to do their regular slot. For younger people, this is an excellent way of doing community service and also gaining work experience, and the shop could provide references in this respect. Anyone interested is invited to call in the shop any morning (except Tuesday) between 9 and 11am, or to ring 886687 or 885284 for further information and a chat.

**The Next Meeting is on Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006 in the Lord Nelson at 7.45pm.**

Luddenden Conservation Society

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