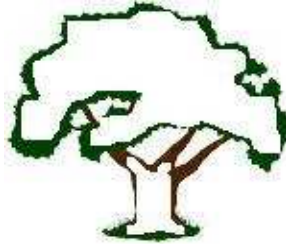


LUDDENDEN CONSERVATION SOCIETY



NEWSLETTER – MARCH 2008

NEW PRINTER

This is the first newsletter which has been produced on our new printer, a grant of £500 for which has very kindly been provided by the Calderdale Council Community Grants Fund. We are very grateful for this, and are sure that you will also notice the difference in clarity of the newsletter.

PLANNING APPEAL

An informal hearing to deal with an appeal against the refusal of Calderdale to grant planning permission for fencing down New Road above the development of a house at Snail Quarry will take place shortly. Any comments regarding this have to be sent to The Planning Inspectorate, Room 3/18A, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN, marked for the attention of Mrs Parkin. The reference number APP/A4710/A/07/2062046/NWF should be quoted, and 3 copies should be received no later than 25th March. We will keep you informed of the date of the hearing, so that anyone who wishes may still appear at the appeal and put their views forward.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Mayor's Fund has also received a grant from the Calderdale Council Community Grant Fund of £2600 towards the staging of a Luddenden Music Festival on Saturday 21st June in St. Mary's Churchyard. This is part of the international festival Fete de la Musique, but it is the first time in England the festival has been held outside London. The idea is to hold a free day of music, and the event will comprise upwards of 30 performances of all types of music, with workshops and events for children. The Mayor's Fund would be interested in hearing from any individuals or groups who might be interested in taking part or helping, and further details can be obtained by calling the festival hotline on 07826 200248 or emailing luddendenmusicfestival@email.com.

RUBBISH IN BROOK

There has recently been a noticeable increase in the amount of rubbish in the Luddenden brook, possibly as a result of the winter rains, but still being very unsightly. People have been observed throwing rubbish into the stream as they walk the footpath along the holmes, so please do not add to this, and if you know anyone in the habit of getting rid of rubbish this way (be it plastic bags or larger items such as mattresses), try to dissuade them from this practice, as it only makes it much more unsightly for everyone.

ART CLASS OR GROUP

It has recently been suggested that people may be interested in setting up either an art class with a teacher, or alternately an informal group interested in painting. This would be primarily aimed at people at home during the day, and could meet either one morning or one afternoon per week, possibly in the Methodist Church. If you are interested in this, could you contact Carol Pugh on 883189, and if there are sufficient people wanting to take part, some arrangements will be made.

PHOTOS FOR LUDDENDEN CALENDAR 2009

Villagers are again invited to submit photographs which could be included in the 2009 Luddenden Calendar. These should be left with Jason Boom at Church House or at the Lord Nelson Inn, in an envelope marked Photographs for Luddenden Calendar, with your name, address and list of photographs submitted on the front. Village scenes or scenes from around the Luddenden, Midgley and Booth areas are particularly required, and the best ones will be selected for the 2009 calendar.

NEXT MEETING of the Society will be held in the **Lord Nelson**, at **7.45pm on Thursday, March 27th**

Luddenden Conservation Society

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