

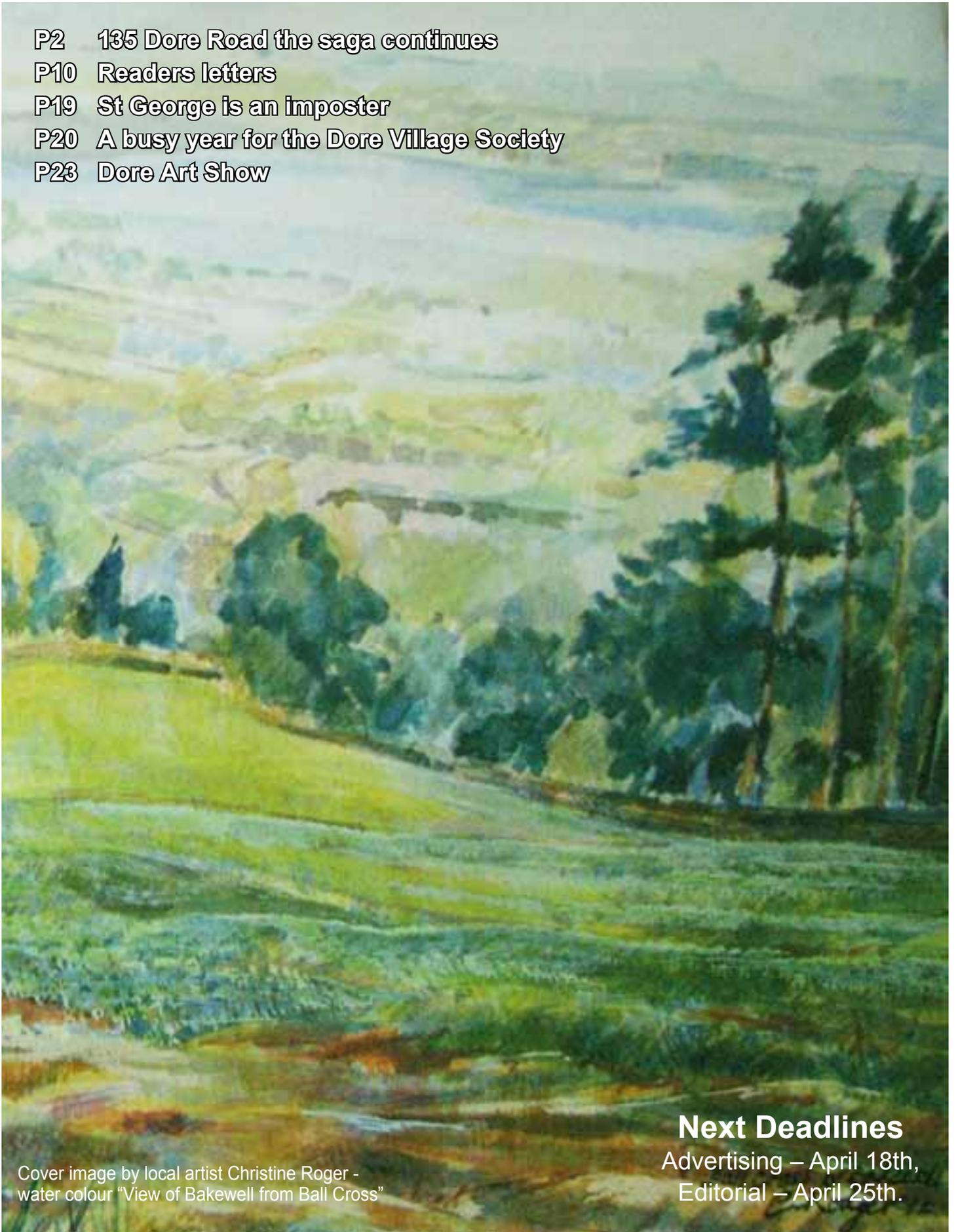
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DORE VILLAGE SOCIETY

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Cover image by local artist Christine Roger -
water colour "View of Bakewell from Ball Cross"

Next Deadlines

Advertising – April 18th,

Editorial – April 25th.

14 Apartments at 135 Dore Road dismissed!

The application to build two large apartment blocks on Dore Road next to the doctor's surgery by Metropolitan Homes Limited has been dismissed by the Planning Inspector.

Over eighty residents attended the hearing in the Totley Brook United Reformed Church hall to support the objections, particularly from local residents Paul Millington and Aubrey Read, local councillors Colin Ross and Keith Hill and the Dore Village Society. It was felt by those who attended that the objections made at the hearing had an effective impact on its outcome and on the Inspector's consideration of the detrimental effect of the proposal on the character of Dore.

Giving reasons for his decision, the Inspector says in his letter that the character of the area would be damaged by the proposal because of the relatively high density of development, the height of the buildings, the magnitude of the massing effect of the two blocks, its excessive scale and that the proposed apartment

blocks would dominate the site disproportionately in comparison with neighbouring buildings. He concludes that the development would not constitute sustainable development because its impact would create unacceptable harm to the character and appearance of the area that would continue long after the economic benefits of construction had faded.

Worryingly, he accepted that flats with habitable rooms, bedrooms, studies and kitchens, with windows less than 10 metres apart were acceptable because they had obscured glazing!

I am sure that the community heaves a collective sigh of relief at the outcome. It is assumed the developer will now continue with his proposal to develop the site for six detached houses, a fallback position he expressed as a preference at the hearing.

David Crosby – DVS Planning Coordinator

Dore neighbourhood plan

Dore Village Society wishes to thank readers for responding positively to the Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire. There has been overwhelming support for carrying forward work on all the principal areas of concern previously contained in the Dore Village Design Statement. If you haven't yet responded you are urged to give your views online via the Survey Monkey site noted elsewhere in this edition of Dore to Door. Do not be put off, it is really easy to respond and will take only 5 minutes of your time!

About thirty people have been working on preparing the plan for four months and are being supported by planning officers from the Peak District Park Authority and Sheffield City Council. There has also been extensive public consultation on the former King Ecgbert School Site Planning Brief which is currently being analysed.

We are planning to have a full public consultation in the summer on draft proposals and policies on protecting the Peak Park, Sheffield Green Belt, conservation areas and archaeological sites, existing housing areas, open spaces and allotments, the village centre and traffic management.

However, because this process leads to the adoption of a statutory plan, Dore Village Society has to comply with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011 to 'promote the economic, social and environmental well being of the area.' Progress on the Plan now awaits the agreement of the Charity Commissioners to amend our written constitution so that we can comply.

David Crosby – Plan Coordinator

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Representatives from Dore village and Metropolitan Homes battle it out.

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135 – It's not over yet

Cllr Colin Ross said "This just shows what a concerted campaign can do to protect our area. I would like to pay tribute to all those involved in helping secure this result and to the many people who turned up at the hearing to support us in putting the case before the Inspector. The Dore Conservation Group, the Dore Village Society and your three local Councillors all made significant contributions. However it's not over yet, I have no details as yet but the applicant is entitled to a 'free go' at a fresh planning application within 12 months of a refusal and we believe that is what he is doing."

The former King Ecgbert School site

In November 2012 the Council consulted on a draft Planning and Design Brief for the site of the former King Ecgbert School site. The comments have been assessed and, following internal approval, the final brief will be on the Council's website near to the end of February.

The next stage of design work is now being started, based on the Planning and Design Brief. The Council, acting as the landowner, wishes to share these initial drawings with the public. The proposals will eventually form the basis of an outline planning application later in the year. Following this application a developer will be selected and final proposals prepared based around the outline application.

The council is holding two drop-in sessions where you can see a copy of the initial designs, give your views, and talk to the Design Team.

These will be held on:

- Fri 8th March, Dore Old School, (main room) Savage Lane 1 – 5pm
- Fri 15th March, Dore Methodist Church (church hall) High Street 4 – 8 pm.

You can also see a copy of the plans at Totley Library from 5th March. The plans will also be made available on the Council's website.

For further information contact Fiona Champion on 205 2675 or email fiona.champion@sheffield.gov.uk

Fiona Champion - Regeneration Manager, Sheffield City Council

Village Greens in Dore

It was in July 2007 that the DVS first approached the Council about having three sites in Dore designated as Village greens. The Council declined to register the land as Village greens on behalf of the community. Therefore, in March 2008 the DVS formally applied to have those three sites in Dore designated as Village greens. It made these applications to protect the sites from future development and to retain them for the benefit of the whole community, which had enjoyed the use of them over the years.

One of the determining factors in any village green application is the power under which the land is held; and some land is ineligible to become a Village green. Ultimately the Council was forced by its own Licensing Committee to seek Queens Counsel advice due to the confusing and incorrect picture of the position which it had portrayed.

The conclusions are that the Recreation Ground is held under the Public Health Act 1875 and the Totley Brook Open Space is held under the Open Spaces Act 1906. Land held under these powers is not eligible to be designated as a Village green. However, having now got this clarity about these sites, at least it shows that both sites are better protected than if they were held under general Council powers. So although not what we were seeking, the whole community can take comfort from the fact that the Dore Recreation Ground and Totley Brook Playing Field have a strong measure of protection for public recreation due to the persistence of the DVS over the past 5 years.

The third site is King's Croft, which has also been used by the general community over the years, and which the Council also opposes. In this case the Council has had to concede that there is no legal impediment to this site being designated as a Village green; and eventually, after much pressure from us, agreed to hold an Inquiry to determine whether or not the site should be classed as a Village green. This Inquiry took place in November 2012.

When, in March 2008, the DVS applied to make the site a Village green no concern had been expressed by Dore Primary School about the inadequacies of the current school area. So the DVS was not aware of the School's concerns when it made the application. It was subsequent to this (in December 2009) that the School decided that it needed to fence off part of the area for which the application was made. Some months after this action, the chairman of the DVS suggested discussions to see if a compromise could be reached, including re-opening the access from Vicarage Lane, but this proposal was not taken up.

As a consequence we are now in the position where the application to designate King's Croft as a Village green is also contested by the School.

If the DVS is successful in its application, then the area designated as a Village green cannot be fenced off in any way. So it would be impossible at that stage for the School to be offered an area of land for its exclusive use.

The DVS is sympathetic to the School's concerns and so in advance of the Inquiry

it proposed a formal compromise to the School, whereby the access from Vicarage Lane was re-opened, leading into and forming part of the proposed Village green. This would mean that the school would retain the larger part of the site that it has currently fenced off, but may have to re-site part of the area currently used as a wildlife area and would have to re-site part of its fence, adjacent to the access, further back towards the School. The DVS offered to provide a financial contribution to the School to assist with the re-siting of the wildlife area. The School did not wish to accept this compromise proposal. Nevertheless, at the Inquiry the DVS amended the area it was proposing as the village green to reflect its compromise proposal.

The DVS applied for village green status in order to protect the area from future development and secure it for the community, and it still sees this as a beneficial proposal for the benefit of the whole community. This compromise proposal was made sincerely in an attempt to produce an acceptable alternative for all parties.

The Inspector at the Inquiry said that she hoped to give her recommendation by mid-January. However, no information has yet been received and the deadline for the production of Dore to Door has arrived; so the outcome is still not known. The results of the Inquiry will be posted on the DVS notice board and posted on its website.

Dore Village Society

DVS Christmas Card Thank You

This year's Christmas card proved to be very popular in the two different sizes. So much so that it quickly sold out. We would like to apologise to those residents who were disappointed as a result.

We would also like to thank the local shops: 'Valerie of Dore', the Country Garden, Dore Opticians and Dore Garage, who sold the cards for the Dore Village Society on a voluntary basis, and with absolutely no financial gain for themselves.



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Here comes the Spring and there's plenty of Tweeting

Snow, hail, sunshine, rain, thunder and high winds, and that was just one day in January. The snow (so far) has been heavy and it didn't last too long, but it did allow our Twitter feed (#Doretodoor) to come into its own, passing on messages and photos of the state of Dore's roads to the workers in the city. As so many times a few flakes in the city centre equals several inches deep in the village. The Re-Tweets from the local bus companies didn't always quite match ours; with SYPTE saying buses were stopping at Ecclesall terminus when we actually had one sat in the village. We have a new scale for measuring snow by posting pictures of my cat in the snow with the largest measurement being officially "half way up the cat".

Other topics which have interested local Tweepers are local business news and offers, travel and speed camera locations, sporting and local events, coffee, bin collection changes and the most up to date planning news. So look us up and join Dore to Door's foray into the 21st Century.

Observations of the season

Christmas presents – the "Lynx effect" doesn't work on the over 40's.

New Years Eve – Aim for nights you don't remember with people you won't forget.

Twitter makes me like people I don't know, whilst Facebook makes me dislike people I know.

I need another aneurysm like I need a hole in the head.

If you earn more than £14,000 per year, you are in the top 4% richest people on the planet.

Christmas drink driving figures lower than last summer

As part of an enforcement campaign, South Yorkshire Police targeted known drink-driving hotspots during December. 2,907 drivers were breathalysed and of those 151 (5.2 per cent) tested positive, or refused or failed to provide a breath test.

503 of the breath tests carried out followed a collision on the road, 9.5 per cent of these were recorded as being over the drink drive limit or unable to provide a breath test.

Nationally, the drink and drug drive figures for last December, according to the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) campaign, showed that across the country over 175,000 tests were conducted and more than 7,000 tested positive, or refused or failed to provide a breath test.

South Yorkshire Police also targeted known drink-driving hotspots during June 2012 when 2,763 drivers were breathalysed and out of those 161 (5.8 per cent) tested positive, or refused or failed to provide a breath test. During the same period eight drivers were arrested for driving under the influence of drugs.

Through their annual campaigns, South Yorkshire Police and the South Yorkshire Safer Roads Partnership consistently warn the public, both young and old, that drink driving can kill. The statistics show that younger drivers (under 25) are more likely to commit a drink driving offence than those over 25 and the Police do target their resources accordingly.

So it doesn't make much difference whether it's Christmas or Summer, the Police are stopping vehicles and testing drivers, where a positive result can lead to a lengthy driving ban, possible loss of job and livelihood with some offenders even facing imprisonment.

Lost your car key?

I've been passed a car key which was dropped somewhere around the junction of Townhead Road and High Trees, If you have lost yours then get in touch with the Editor and answer the simple question; what make of car is it for?



A snow covered Townhead Road taken on January 21st 2013, one of several photos' Tweeted to show the road conditions.

Dore Village Society Registered Charity No. 1017051

The society aims to foster the protection and enhancement of the local environment and amenities within Dore, to encourage a spirit of community and to record its historic development. Current membership rates are £5 per annum.

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The Story of the Dore Jubilee Wall Hanging

As many of you will know, Barbara Cassidy of the Dore Quilters Group worked with Dore residents old and young to produce the magnificent Wall Hangings which are currently on display in the main room of Dore Old School as a lasting legacy of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012. 76 squares were produced in total with a theme on each individual square of some image, some person, some place or some event associated with the village. Originally it was hoped to have 60 squares to represent the sixty years of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, but such was the amazing response that a second Wall Hanging comprising a further 16 squares was created.

Without giving too much away, all the squares have been placed in the book (see box), along with an explanation of the craft techniques employed and the theme of each square. The ingenuity and skill of those who completed squares was truly astonishing, with Betty Brown, at 89 years old, being the oldest contributor

and many youngsters from Dore Primary School, King Egbert School and the Dore Scouting movement also adding squares. As a condition of the Jubilee celebrations all written materials have had to be sent to the Queen, and Barbara has received a letter back from Sandringham House, where the Queen spent her winter break, indicating her pleasure at reading our book. If you would like a copy of the book please contact either Barbara Cassidy on 0114 2620 699 or barbara@daisybee.co.uk or Dorne Coggins on 0114 327 1054 or md2.coggins@talktalk.net, or on any first Saturday of the month from the Dore Village Society rooms or at Dore post office. Cost is £7 per copy, and postage and packaging would be extra if you wish to have one sent to you. But that's not all! Because of the unique nature of the Dore project, the Wall Hangings will be travelling to the NEC Birmingham for exhibition in the annual 'Festival of Quilts' Exhibition which is held from 8th to 11th August 2013. Dore Village Society hope to organise a coach trip to the NEC to support the exhibiting of the Wall Hangings and also to have a great day out. Further details about dates and costs to follow. You can register an interest in getting a coach place by contacting either Barbara or Dorne.

The letter from the Queen can be seen on page 10.



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DORE VILLAGE SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given that the 48th Annual General Meeting of the Dore Village Society will be held at Dore Methodist Church, High Street, Dore at 19.30 on 24th April 2013.

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Approval of the minutes of the 47th Annual General Meeting.
3. Chairman's statement.
4. To approve the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2012.
5. To elect 4 committee members.
6. To appoint an Independent Examiner.
7. Change to Society's constitution.
8. Items for discussion.

Mary MacKinnon - Secretary 20th January 2013

Following the Meeting, there will be an illustrated talk by Mr Ron Clayton of BBC Radio Sheffield's Hidden Histories on 'The Lost Streets and Street Names of Sheffield'

Where's Virgin's Row or Trueloves Gutter? Why is Hartshead called Hartshead? Where was River Lane and Dunkirk Square? Who is Napier Street named after? Who was the Burnaby in Burnaby Street?

Fancy living in Swamp Walk? Explore the lost streets of Sheffield with Professional Sheffielder, Ron Clayton of BBC Radio Sheffield's 'Hidden Histories'.

AGM Notes

1. Whilst non members are welcome to attend the meeting only members of the Society are entitled to vote.
2. Any member entitled to attend and vote may appoint one or more persons to attend and vote on his/her behalf. Their proxy need not be a member of the Society. A form of proxy can be obtained from the Society's website or from the secretary. Completed proxy forms should be returned to the secretary prior to the meeting.
3. The Society's accounts and the Independent Examiner's Report on them will be available on application to the treasurer from 1st March.
4. The Society's constitution permits nominations for election to the Committee to be made up to 14 days prior to the meeting. A list of those nominated will be available on the Society's website and notice boards from 10th April along with nominations for Independent Examiner.

Village Jubilee Wall Hanging open morning

Saturday 16th March
in Dore Old School between
10am – 12noon.

An opportunity to call in to see the Wall Hangings and meet some of the people who were involved making the squares. Refreshments and books will be available during the morning.

Dore Festival – Summer 2013

After the huge success of last year's Dore Jubilee Festival and the Village Jubilee celebrations we are already planning the programme for Summer 2013.

Festival fortnight will run from Sunday 30th June to Sunday 14th July. Some key dates for your diary are:

Sunday 30th June – Open Gardens
Sunday 7th July – Well Dressing Service
Saturday 13th July – Scout & Guide Gala

Festival Open Gardens will again be organised by Keith Shaw (tel 236 3598) and Jean Stevens (tel 236 9156) who did such a splendid job last year when we had the largest selection ever. They would be very pleased to hear from anyone who would be willing to open their garden on Sunday 30th June and stress that a garden does not have to be huge to be interesting.

The programme will include many favourite events from previous years as well as some new ones. We hope that there will be something of interest for every member of the family. Look out for further details in the next issue of Dore to Door and on the Dore Village website at www.dorevillage.co.uk

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The Wyvern Walkers were formed by the Dore Village Society over twelve years ago and the walks organised have covered both Dore and its immediate area, as well as some areas which are sometimes overshadowed by, and less frequently walked, than the more obvious and popular Peak District walks. The production of the walks book "On Your Dorestep" has detailed a number of these and we draw on those walks from time to time for our regular series of walks.

The latest series of Wyvern Walks is now prepared, covering the period to the beginning of May 2013. Most of these walks start either in or close to the village and represent a cross section of the beautiful countryside around Dore. You can discover more of Blacka Moor and Longshaw and local Hills, as well as the Edges and the Monsal Trail.

Anyone who may be interested in coming on these walks can find details of them posted on the DVS notice boards and website. The walks are mostly morning only, starting at 09.30 and returning to Dore no later than 13.30. There are sometimes exceptions to this but these are clearly stated on the poster and in the regular newsletter.

Numbers on the walks vary from a dozen to more than twice that, but you can always be assured of a friendly welcome and the opportunity to make new friends, to relax and "to put the world to rights". So why not join us on one of the current walks?

The Time Travellers up-date

The Time Travellers are a group of keen amateur archaeologists based in the local area who are involved in a whole series of walks, talks and practical field archaeology.

If you are interested in joining us for any of the activities we will be offering in our Spring Programme please get in touch with us. Of particular interest in the up-coming programme might be the guided tour of the Arbor Low site with Ian Marsh. Ian Marsh was the University of Manchester Archaeologist who led the dig at Arbor Low. Some of the Time Travellers members were involved with this dig, and Ian is going to be giving an insight into what was discovered, along with a tour of the site. The trip is on the 9th March, and is bound to be very popular. If you are interested in coming along please contact Linda Williamson, on 0114 236 3569, for further details. £2 for non-members, and free to members of The Time Travellers.

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King Egbert

Half Term - 18th February and return 25th February. Easter 28th March return 15th April
May Day 6th May. Spring Bank - 27th May return 3rd June.

It's busy, busy, busy at KES

We are now getting on for half way through the academic year and it has been very busy so far at King Egbert School. We were, of course, thrilled with our GCSE and A level results which were the best ever that our students have achieved with 81% reaching the 5 A*-C including English and maths benchmark at GCSE which was the highest in South Yorkshire, and 58% of all A levels at grade A*- B. All our students who wanted a place at university were accepted into a university of their choice by lunchtime on results day. No mean feat according to the problems that were reported in the press.

Work is well underway to aim even higher this year, but that has not meant a reduction in all the other activities that ensure our students receive a fully rounded education. Here is a flavour of the sorts of things that have been happening. Please check our website to see the full school newsletter for photos and more detail.

Our sports teams had a very successful evening at the Sheffield Federation for School Sport presentation evening when

25% of all the City awards were made to King Egbert teams and students, the Y10 cricket team were celebrated for never having lost a match since they started as Y7 students. All Y12 students have been to Birmingham University to help them start thinking about the process of university applications for 2014 entry. Y13 biologists have been to Filey Brigg for three days to investigate the flora and fauna that thrive on rocky shores and the Y12 geographers have been to North Yorkshire to look at river processes and will be going to Snowdonia in March to look at the lasting effects of glaciations.

In Y10, a range of theatre groups and visiting authors have been into school to bring the plays and novels studied in English alive with live performances. Melvin Burgess talked about the wide range of topics he has called upon for his fiction writing and a production of "An Inspector Calls" supported the Y11 students in preparation for their English Literature GCSE exam.

So a very busy time with much more to

come as the ninety Y10 students involved in The Duke of Edinburgh's Award start to plan their expeditions, which will hopefully take place in more pleasant weather conditions than has been the case in the last couple of years.

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Dore Primary

Half Term - 18th February and return 25th February. Easter - 28th March return 15th April. May Day - 6th May. Spring Bank - 27th May and return 5th June

DORE 20 is PLENTY

Following recent concerns regarding driving and parking around Dore Primary School we would like to encourage the whole community of Dore to reduce their driving speed to 20mph on Furniss Avenue, Church Lane and the top of Bushey Wood Road. This voluntary pledge will be the start of an ongoing awareness campaign aimed at the whole community to help make "20 is plenty in Dore" in order to protect our children from road accidents. Britain has the highest percentage of pedestrian road fatalities in

Europe. More than half occur on roads with 30mph limits. Speed limits on our urban roads are 60% higher than Europe. Britain has one of the lowest levels of children walking or cycling to school in Europe. British parents consistently blame traffic speed as the main reason why their children are not allowed to cycle or walk to school. Lowering speed limits to 20mph has been found to decrease child pedestrian accidents by 70%.

"DORE 20 is PLENTY" CAMPAIGN

I am willing to back the "DORE 20 IS PLENTY" campaign and will reduce my driving speed to 20mph on Furniss Avenue, Church Lane and Bushey Wood Road so that together we can help protect ALL local nursery and school children from road accidents.

Signed

Signed

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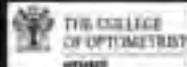
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Dear Sir

On Saturday 1st December my wife Jill had the misfortune to be knocked down by a motor vehicle whilst crossing Causeway Head Road, having just left the newsagent.

Two ladies came to my home to advise me of the accident and ferry me to the village. Upon arriving at the scene I found there was a doctor offering assistance and supporting my wife's head. Various people offered their coats to keep her warm and some came from their homes offering blankets. Whilst the paramedics arrived very quickly, we had to wait 20 minutes for the ambulance and the coats and blankets were very welcome. Another person parked his car to shield the scene from traffic coming up Dore Road, until the Police arrived.

After 48 hours Jill was released by A & E, having sustained a fracture to the skull. I am pleased to advise that whilst it may be several weeks before she fully recovers she is making steady progress.

Jill and I would like to thank everyone who helped on the day, true community spirit.

John Robinson

Dear Richard

I am writing to thank you and Dore to Door for printing L Vine's "strange request" in your last edition as he was trying to contact someone who was interested in Lord Nelson and HMS Victory. As all my friends told me I fitted the bill as they knew I am an ex Naval Officer who lectures round South Yorkshire to Probus Clubs, U3A groups and other societies about the fantastic achievements of Nelson's Navy. So we met thanks to your auspices and established an immediate rapport. Leslie is a consummate scale model maker and a great character. After a successful career as an electronic and computer control engineer in Sheffield, he decided on retirement to use his skills in making a large scale model of the Victory.

Starting appropriately on October 21st 2005, the 200th Anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar, he worked every day for 8 months to produce a breathtaking and accurate model. As he is now getting less mobile he wanted someone who would not only care for his masterpiece, but who also appreciate its detail and history.

So I am now the delighted and proud owner of his superb model and will be able to include it many of my future talks.

Alan YORK, OBE,
Commander, RN ret.

Sir,

I cannot believe that it is a year since I commented on Tina Gages protracted battle with Enterprise Inns over the renewal of her lease of The Devonshire Arms and you would have thought that the discussions would have been concluded long ago. Indeed this time last year

Tina enlisted the support of our local MP, Nick Clegg, who wrote to Enterprise Inns and received written communication back to the effect that the discussions with Tina were concluded to everyone's satisfaction and that Enterprise Inns were happy to have such a good landlady continue at the Devonshire.

It will therefore come as a surprise to your readers that this is not the case! Enterprise continue to deny Tina the courtesy to negotiate in a fit and proper manner and are still employing delaying tactics that I can only surmise are designed to bankrupt her before a court can rule on the fairness of the rent they expect her to pay.

Their latest tactic was to get deferred to April the court hearing scheduled for January on the grounds that they had not had time to prepare their case! This has been going on for two years; efficient aren't they? It is very difficult for one person to take on the might of corporate bullying whose delaying tactics seem to be protected by political ineffectiveness and judicial tardiness but Tina is still

hanging on in there.

She deserves our continuing support. If Enterprise Inns are prepared to be so 'economical with the truth' to the Deputy Prime Minister to just what lengths are they prepared to go to impose their will on the people of Dore?

Peter Treherne

Dear Richard

My name is Joachim Baumert from Hamburg in Germany. I stayed as an exchange student in 1965 with Family Blake, Heathfield, Townhead Road, Dore, Sheffield

Their son Christopher Moser – Lawyer Mr. Blake is his stepfather – in return was with us in Hamburg. I would like to get in touch with the family to exchange and refresh some memories.

Joachim M. Baumert

If you can help please contact the Editor.

Dear Sir

I walked yesterday down Blacka Moor Road for the first time for some while, and couldn't believe my eyes. There, staring me in the face was a bright red, quite long brick wall along the whole frontage of a house down the left hand side of the road, about no 12, or 14 or thereabouts.

There were also two flat-roofed dormer windows protruding from the sloping roof of this same house. All this looked quite horrible and made me wonder how things like this get past planning departments in Sheffield, and, more to the point, the Dore Village Society!

Virtually the whole of Blacka Moor Road's houses have stone walls and look in keeping with the properties that they surround. But definitely not this house. I do hope that they are going to put stone facings on the brick wall and not leave it as this eyesore. (If they are, I suppose that you don't need to print this letter.)

Yours sincerely

Colin Robinson

Below is a copy of the letter from the Queen to Barbara Cassidy, regarding the Jubilee wall hanging which was covered on page 5.



SANDRINGHAM HOUSE

9th January, 2013

Dear Mrs. Cassidy,

The Queen wishes me to write and thank you for your letter with which you enclosed a book recording the making of the Dore Jubilee Wall Hanging, created in celebration of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee.

The Queen was very touched to receive this book which has given her much pleasure.

Her Majesty sends her best wishes to the Dore Village Society and all those involved in the making of the Jubilee Wall Hanging, and I am to thank you once again for writing to The Queen in her Diamond Jubilee year.

Yours sincerely,

Susan Hussey

Lady-in-Waiting

The snow code – tips on clearing snow and ice from pavements or public spaces

Don't be put off clearing paths because you're afraid someone will get injured. Remember, people walking on snow and ice have a responsibility to be careful themselves.

Follow the advice below to make sure you clear pathways safely and effectively.

And don't believe the myths – it's unlikely you'll be sued or held legally responsible for any injuries if you have cleared the path carefully.

Clear the snow and ice early in the day

It's easier to move fresh, loose snow rather than hard snow that has packed together from people walking on it. So if possible, start removing the snow and ice in the morning. If you remove the top layer of snow in the morning, any sunshine during the day will help melt any ice beneath. You can then cover the path with salt before nightfall to stop it refreezing overnight.

Preventing slips

- Pay extra attention to clearing snow and ice from steps and steep pathways - you might need to use more salt on these areas
- Use salt or sand - not water
- Don't make the pathways more dangerous by causing them to refreeze. If you use water to melt the snow, it may refreeze and turn to black ice. Black ice increases the risk of injuries as it is invisible and very slippery.
- You can melt snow or prevent black ice by spreading some salt on the area you have cleared. You can use ordinary table or dishwasher salt - a tablespoon for each square metre you clear

should work. Don't use the salt found in salting bins - this will be needed to keep the roads clear.

- Be careful not to spread salt on plants or grass as it may damage them.
- If you don't have enough salt, you can also use sand or ash. These won't stop the path icing over as effectively as salt, but will provide a good grip underfoot.

Take care where you move the snow

When you're shovelling snow, take care where you put it so it doesn't block people's paths or drains. Make sure you make a path down the middle of the area to be cleared first, so you have a clear surface to walk on. Then shovel the snow from the centre of the path to the sides.

Offer to clear your neighbours' paths

If your neighbour will have difficulty getting in and out of their home, offer to clear snow and ice around their property as well. Check that any elderly or disabled neighbours are alright in the cold weather. If you're worried about them, try contacting their relatives or friends, or if necessary the local council.

Winter services from your local council

Your local council will provide many winter services such as clearing local roads and pavements in your area. For information about your council's winter service, check its website.

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A year of the rotary club of Sheffield Vulcan

The Rotary Club of Sheffield Vulcan is part of the global family of Rotary International and works under the motto of "Service above Self" – and does this with fun, fellowship and common aims.

In 2012 we raised over £4000 by organising a sponsored Wye Walk in the Peak District, and a golf day. We have collected for a variety of charities at local supermarkets and given time to help steward the Sheffield half-marathon and Whirlow Hall Farm Fayre.

Since 2000, over 10,000 bulbs have been planted by the club in more than a dozen locations, mainly in the West and South-West of Sheffield and around 1000 more were added last year. As part of the national "Big Tree Plant" initiative, we planted over 300 trees of varying sizes and types in 5 public spaces (The Lord Mayor of Sheffield, John Campbell, joined us at the Parkwood Springs planting session). We have carried out maintenance work on the Round Walk, cutting back overgrown bushes and branches, digging out steps, and generally tidying up.

Every year Vulcan Rotary Club members give around 60 man days of effort to Samaritans Purse, a charity that sends "shoeboxes" of useful items and toys to very disadvantaged children mainly in Europe and Africa. 2012 was no exception, and we transported the boxes into the Sheffield HQ from outlying areas.

Recognising the potential value of our future generations, we work with local schools giving "mock interviews" to help students prepare for the world outside. We also stage an annual debating contest... and help fund an annual school trip to the panto.

Last year we completed a major international project for an Institute for

deaf children in Indonesia. Our financial contribution was doubled via Rotary International, and the local Rotary Club managed the installation of culinary equipment and the building of a catering block and equipment. Those children now have the opportunity to learn catering and related skills.

We also helped steward at the Rotary "Music In The (Botanical) Gardens" event, and again organised a Christmas raffle for a number of charities (we print the tickets, fund and deliver prizes, and the charities sell tickets and retain most of the income).

This year, we look forward to seeing our bulbs flower, our trees grow healthily, and executing new projects, whether for young people at home or abroad, existing charities and worthy local organisations, or other causes where we can make a difference via "Service above Self".

All the above and more is carried out in a spirit of camaraderie, and we have a number of social events for members, partners and friends. Our meetings are held on most but not all Tuesday evenings at Abbeydale Sports Club (6.30 – 8.30, normally including a meal and speaker), and we know that the pressures of life mean that members cannot make all meetings. We are not concerned with politics, gender, religion, or race – we simply want more like-minded members who feel that they can "put something back" into society and enjoy themselves as they do it.

If you are interested and want to come along as a guest to one of our meetings, then look at our website www.vulcanrotary.org.uk or ring our secretary Ruth Thruston on 0114 296 0208 or Alan Brown on 0114 236 7212.

Alan Brown

Thank you on behalf of Marie Curie Cancer Care

Having returned after successfully completing a challenging 400km cycle ride in Jamaica to raise funds for Marie Curie Cancer Care I wanted to thank all friends in Dore who have sponsored and supported me over the last few months.

Training in our wonderful Derbyshire has been tough but a great incentive to get fit and definitely worth the effort to meet and share with such a wonderful and inspiring group of people met on this epic ride.

The eight day challenge led us on a coastal route along the islands northern shore from Robin's Bay to Negril, tackling a variety of terrain in unseasonably hot temperatures – sometimes over 40 degrees centigrade. (My thanks to our host Jamaican riders for squirting water to cool us whilst riding!)

Along the way we experienced local attractions such as climbing the Dunns River falls, visiting the home of GMTV's Mr Motivator and sampling fresh coconuts at a local market.

I am still raising my funds; contributions are still appreciated.

My thanks, so much, to all friends and family who have been so generous to support the charity best known for its network of Marie Curie Nurses working in the community to provide end of life care, totally free for patients in their own home.

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Yes, most people can sing. It's like most things, it needs a bit of trying and training. With that, you would be surprised what you are capable of doing. Why not try it?

Dore Male Voice Choir is running a singing course of six workshops, every Wednesday starting on 6 March at 7.15pm at the Dore Methodist Church Hall, High Street, Dore.

Elizabeth Hampshire, the Music Director and a qualified teacher in voice will be running the course. It is available for men of any age who have never sung before or have little experience. You will soon know whether you are a tenor, a baritone or a bass; and could even learn to sing in harmony by the end of the course.

Hopefully you may fancy joining the Choir, but there is absolutely no compulsion in that, and there are no strings attached.

The Choir is nearly 80 strong and enjoys a respected national reputation through singing in concerts and festivals. The Choir has appeared on radio and television, and has sung in many prestigious venues such as York Minster, the Albert Hall and the Hall for Cornwall. Overseas the Choir has sung on tour in Bruges, the Rhineland (including Cologne Cathedral), Paris and Cyprus; and this year goes to Spain giving four concerts including Barcelona, Montserrat and Girona.

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You may prefer to come along to a Choir rehearsal and see how the Choir performs. Rehearsals are held every Thursday at 7.15pm at The Parish Church Hall, Townhead Road, Dore. Just call in, or Phone 2365043 or 2747238 for more details.

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Marriages, Deaths, Births and Baptisms

Marriages

No weddings reported October to January

Deaths

Oct 24th	Dorothy Jones	Aged 94
Nov 20th	Keith Miller	Aged 77
Dec 8th	Molly Brook	Aged 92
Dec 29th	Eileen Bright	Aged 86
Jan 19th	Maurice Houdmont	Aged 92
Jan 25th	Bill Bartlett	Aged 74

Births

Ralph Rushton, on November 1st to proud parents Sian and Philip.

Baptisms

4th November: Ruby Mia Mallendar, Chloe Louise Titman, Jessica Isabelle Titman

6th January: Mia Isabella Salvin, Benjamin Jacob Salvin, Emma Olivia Salvin

Please send in the details of your recent events to editor@doretodoor.co.uk or Tel: 07530 185 270

Christ Church, Dore

TODDLER GROUP HELP NEEDED

Can you join a team of ladies serving refreshments to toddlers and adults from 10.15-11.30am on Thursday mornings during term time? Helping with a friend or someone you know is ideal. Jill Bush will need someone to work with as her partner, Cheryl, has resigned as helper. Please contact Diana Briggs, 235 3911. Thank you.

HOTHORPE WORSHIP

We are forming a worship group for the church weekend away in March and are looking for volunteers. If you would like to be involved either singing or playing an instrument then contact Martin (236 6279) or Nina (236 5896). We shall have practices before the weekend on Thursday 7th Feb, Thursday 28th Feb and Thursday 7th March at 7pm in the church.

PATHFINDERS

Are you able to help during the 10am service on one or two Sundays a term with our wonderful group of 10-14 year olds? We are in need of some additional help from May onwards. The commitment would not involve leading the group but supporting the leader during the session. If you would like to know more then please speak to Sarah Rattee (ratteer@btconnect.com) Anita Campbell, Pete Sanders or Phil Allsop after the service or via the church office.

'AUGMENTING' SINGERS

are invited to join the choir in another Passiontide "Three Choirs" venture. A special service of readings, hymns and Passiontide music is being planned to take place here at Christ Church Dore at 6.30pm on Passion Sunday, 17th March, at Holy Trinity Millhouses on Palm Sunday evening, 24th March and again at St John's Abbeylea on Good Friday, 29th March. If you would like to sing with us, rehearsals will begin on Thursday, 24th January, 6-7pm in Church. Just turn up! - or contact Mary Cobbold, 07721 594 095, email: marycobbold@hotmail.co.uk

Church Office

Dore Methodist Church

On Sunday 2nd December a special service was held to celebrate the completion of the Church Hall extension. Opening the church for refreshments on Wednesday evening, 5th December, when the village Christmas celebrations were held gave everyone the opportunity to look around the church and the extension.

We were delighted to welcome over one hundred guests during the evening including the Organ Grinder, who entertained us for a while, creating an exciting atmosphere in the Church Hall. We are thrilled with the extra accommodation we are now enjoying, both for our own members and the groups which use our premises. Not only have we an enlarged Church Hall but we have a much larger kitchen with a very useful serving hatch and due to the changed layout of the stairs, we have a good sized room upstairs and a meeting room downstairs. Although the changes are not discernible from the front of the church, much work has been in progress for several months by the building contractors and two of our own members, David Heslop and Nigel Thomas, to whom we extend our most sincere and grateful thanks.

We also thank our user groups for their patience during the alterations and it is wonderful to welcome you back to enjoy your groups and our new facilities.

Why did we embark on this project you may wonder? Dore Methodist Church is in the centre of the village and the community, and along with other churches aims to serve the community in as many ways as possible. We are a growing church and our Mission is to put into practice the word of God by sharing, caring and helping all who need help in any way, with a particular focus on the elderly people in our community. We have many groups meeting at our church covering all ages and we hope and pray that our new building extension will enable us to move forward in our Mission. We extend a very warm welcome to everyone.

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Local churches diary

MARCH

- 1st All Saints Church, Totley, at 10.30am. The Women's day of prayer. Everyone is welcome to attend (it is not a women only event) and refreshments will be served after the service. The speaker this year will be Mrs Hilary Donnelly.
- 10th St John's Church Abbeydale Road South Mothering Sunday 10am Family Communion
- 24th Palm Sunday. Totley Rise Methodist Church. Toddler Praise Service 9.30am for half an hour, followed by the main 10.30am service. Come and wonder about donkeys and hosannas!
- 24th St John's Church, Abbeydale Road South 10 a.m. The Liturgy of Palm Sunday
- 29th Good Friday, Dore Methodist Church, A

service of reflection at 7.30pm. led by Deacon Merry Evans.

- 29th Good Friday Service will begin with a joint Totley Churches walk of witness starting at 10am opposite Totley Co-op. The cross will be carried down to Totley Rise Methodist for a service at 10.30am. You are most welcome to join us for the service and for a coffee and hot cross bun following.
- 29th St John's Church Abbeydale Road South, 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10 am Easter Eucharist
- 29th St John's Church Abbeydale Road South 10a.m. Family Worship. 2 p.m. Stations of the Cross. 6.30pm Passiontide readings and music.
- 31st Easter Sunday Dore Methodist Church, Easter Communion at 10.30am.

31st Totley Rise Methodist Church .A short Sunrise Service will be held in the garden at 6.30am with the sharing of bread and wine followed by a light breakfast. At 10.30am we will hold the Celebration Easter Service, please join us for this joyful occasion. At 6.30pm there will be an evening service with Holy Communion, when we celebrate the Risen Lord. Everyone is welcome to any or all services.

APRIL

14th St John's Church Abbeydale Road South 6.30pm. Taize Prayer

NB: The carol concert at All Saints, Ecclesall Church previously listed was a third party fundraiser & they do not charge entry fees for an act of worship.

Open Easter Garden and Art Stop

Totley Rise Methodist Church invites you, your family and friends, to spend some time this year wandering through a garden with an opportunity to be still and reflect on the story of Easter.

It will include a children's trail, and art exhibition entitled 'Even the Stones Cry Out.'

You can visit the church garden from Monday 25th March to Easter Sunday.

To specifically visit the Art exhibition please check the Totley Rise Methodist website (totleyrise.co.uk) for times when the church will be open, or local posters for more information.

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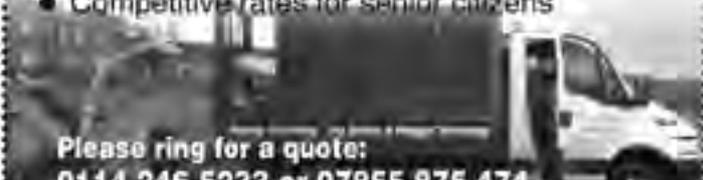
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Matilda Fretwell

The Heritage section of Dore Village Society regularly gets information, artefacts and images passed to them to be made available to people researching their family history, or wanting to know more about their house and who might have lived there in the past.

Recently Jennifer Butler passed this photograph over to us, along with some information about the link between Matilda and Dore.

Matilda was born in 1838, and since she looks quite a young woman in the photograph, I am assuming that this photograph must in itself be an early example of the Studio Portrait. She was the sister of Ann Sarah Fretwell Buxton, the wife of Dore schoolmaster, William Buxton. William was Schoolmaster at Dore School from 1851 to 1880. William and Ann had a large family, even for the times, with 12 children; of which Henry William, born in 1850 was Jennifer's great grandfather. Jennifer believes that Matilda's niece, Jessie Matilda (born in 1857), was a teaching assistant at the school; in those days referred to as 'a full-time general and sewing teacher.

When she retired, Matilda Fretwell went to live in Sycamore Cottage with another niece, Lucy Beatrice Buxton, a music teacher and governess. Lucy played the church organ at Christ Church, Dore. Matilda is buried in the Churchyard in Dore.

Coincidences happen in Dore so if you have read this article and the information rings a bell with you, I would be delighted to hear from you, as indeed would Jennifer. Incidentally, both Jennifer and her sister Linda (Buxton, at the time of course) attended King Ecgbert Girls Technical Grammar School in the 1960s. As a brand new school at that time it was nick-named 'the Crystal Palace in the Hills'but that's a story for another edition of Dore to Door! If you have any new information you would like to tell us about please contact Dorne Coggins. We can scan your photographs for our records. The Archives and Heritage Collection are open to viewing on the first Saturday of each month from 10 until 12 noon, or by special arrangement at other times. (See contact details under Archives at the front of Dore to Door.

If you are interested in finding out more about Matilda, William Buxton or the history of Dore Old School copies of John Dunstan's excellent book 'Dore Old School in Records and Recollections' are still available from the Dore Village Society Rooms.



Dorne Coggins

Dore Clocks

Some of you will not realise that the production of rather splendid Grandfather clocks was carried out right here in Dore. The Pearson family, father and maybe nephew rather than son, were making Grandfather clocks round about 1780. In a conveyance document dated 22nd April 1780 Henry Pearson is described as Clockmaker of Dore, whilst going back to documents from 1762 Henry is described on mortgage documents as being a Cutler. He, along with his nephew Daniel of Holmesfield who is described as a yeoman, had two messuages with shop and smithy at Dore and two closes. A messuage is a house, outbuildings, yard and immediate land. They are described as having 'household stuff, furniture, stock-in-trade, tools, implements.

This clock face belongs to Graham Wheeler who has recently approached Dore Village Society to ask for further information about his clock. Research is difficult on the Pearson clockmakers. Despite several examples of their work actually belonging to Dore residents, Dore Village Society still knows very little about the Pearsons. We would love to find out more.

In 2001 Dore to Door ran an article about the Pearson clocks based on evidence we had at that time. It is believed that Henry Pearson lived and worked in a property to the east of the present junction of Dore Road and Vicarage Lane, perhaps the very property mentioned in the Conveyance (feoffment) document of 1780?

There are other known Pearson clocks which have remained in the village. Are there any more? Do you have any information about the Pearsons' and their clocks?

Original research on the Pearson family was carried out by **John Dunstan**.

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The Dore Village Society's annual activities

2012 proved to be a very special year for Dore with the involvement and support of the whole community in the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations in addition to the annual Dore Festival and Dore Show.

1. Finance

The Society was in a position to fund all agreed projects throughout the year, overseen by the DVS Treasurer.

2. Administration

Committee members attended meetings monthly (except in December) and 'manned' the DVS office on the first Saturday of every month.

3. Planning

Scrutinizing planning applications and defending the character of Dore from inappropriate development. Objections to the following applications were submitted to the Sheffield City Council Planning Department in 2012.

1. Ref: 11/0567/FUL Amended designs for apartments. 135 Dore Road; Public Enquiry (see page 2).
2. Ref: 12/006108/LD2 Proposals for garage and sports facilities accommodation at 20 Newfield Lane; Refused.
3. Ref: 12/00764/FUL Retrospective application for development 27 Blacka Moor Road; Approved.
4. Ref: 12/00767/FUL Proposed lighting at Dore and Totley Tennis Club; Refused
5. Tesco Store, Abbeydale Road; enforcements of delivery conditions.
6. Proposed two new dwellings at rear of 56 Savage Lane; Approved.
7. Ref: 11/03818/FUL Proposed 12 apartments at Abbeydale Hall; Approved revised layout.
8. Ref: 12/02316/FUL Proposed extensions and front garage at 9 Blacka Moor Road; Approved revised layout.
9. Ref: 12/02316/FUL Proposed extensions at 234A Abbeydale Road; Withdrawn.
10. Ref: 12/01772/FUL Proposed extensions and conversion of stable to dwelling at 185 Long Line; Ongoing
11. Ref: 12/02562/FUL Proposed extension and balcony at 7 Kerwin Close; Approved.
12. Ref: 12/03177/FUL Proposed two new dwellings at Fern Glen Farm, Hathersage Road; Ongoing
13. Ref: 11/03315/ADV Proposed new adverts and retention of existing adverts at Hadfield Garages (Mercia), Abbeydale Road South; Approved.

4. Environment

- Following the publication of the Localism Bill in 2011 and

led and co-ordinated by David Crosby (DVS Committee Member), a Steering Group was set up in association with Local Sheffield City Councillors, Planners and representation from the Community Assembly and the Peak District National Park Authority. The Steering Group aims to register Dore as a Neighbourhood Forum, prepare a draft Neighbourhood Plan and has installed the following six working groups; Existing and New Housing, Peak District National Park, Sheffield Green Belt and Open Spaces (including Sports facilities and Allotments), Conservation Areas and Archaeology, Dore Village Centre and Traffic and Transport. The whole Dore community will be encouraged to contribute to the Neighbourhood Plan.

In 2012, Dore Village Society was involved in:

- Acting as a focal point for raising environmental issues and subjects such as 20mph areas, car parking and HGV routes and raising these with our local Councillors.
- Providing extensive comments on the proposed Park and Ride facility to be developed on Abbeydale Road South (Sheffield City Council Ref No: 12/03005/FUL.
- Publishing the DVS Report on Parking in Dore available on the Dore Village website: (www.dorevillage.co.uk) and in hard copy from the DVS Secretary.
- Funding the installation of two cycle racks outside the Co-operative Store.
- Pressing for the creation of Village Greens in Dore to protect the area from future development.
- Ongoing work to erect stones commemorating the ancient Village Greens.
- Continuing to advise individuals who would like to keep an eye on particular footpaths and how to go about it.
- Getting the Council to improve drainage in the bottom field of the Recreation Ground.
- Tree planting on the Recreation Ground.
- Overseeing maintenance of the Recreation Ground throughout the year.
- Ongoing work to ensure Blacka Moor maintains its wild character.
- Monitoring and advising regarding the management of Totley Brook Open Space and other Open Spaces.
- Funding the Village Flower tubs installed annually in June.
- Funding the installation of FEW information boards in Ecclesall Woods (work in progress).
- Supporting FEW in monitoring footpaths in Ecclesall Woods and in other activities.
- Providing funding for fluorescent tabards, litter pickers and black bags for willing volunteers to conduct litter picks in Dore as necessary.

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5. Community Activities

In 2012, Dore Village Society was also involved in:

- Financially supporting:
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 - St Luke's Building Fund
 - Dore Methodist Church Hall refurbishment
 - Blacka Moor District Guide Group
 - Dore Scout Group
 - Transport 17
 - Sheaf Citizens Advice Bureau
 - Open Spaces Societyand running the Dore Open Door Lunch Club
- Dore Methodist Church Lunch Club
- Dore and Totley Lunch Club
- St John's Lunch Club
- Totley Rise Lunch Club
- Maintaining the:
 - DVS Membership database
 - Dore Village War Memorial
- Supporting the:
 - Dore Oral History Group and its exhibitions
 - annual Boundary Walk
 - Wyvern Walks
 - annual Wassail Walk
- Organizing the:
 - DVS Annual General Meeting
 - annual Dore Festival and supporting the Scout Gala
 - the annual Dore Show
- Providing and erecting lit Christmas trees in the village
- Co-organizing the annual Christmas Celebrations and Lantern Parade
- Financially supporting and organizing the Dore Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations in July 2012 which included a Theatrical Revue, a three day Exhibition, the production and display of a Jubilee Wall Hanging, a Mural painted in the Community Church Hall and the production of a Jubilee Cook Book containing recipes contributed by the local community
- Publishing 'Dore to Door' and distributing it to 3000 households
- Financially supporting and maintaining the Dore Village Website (www.dorevillage.co.uk)

- Regularly displaying up to date information on village notice boards
- Producing DVS books
- Publishing the DVS annual calendar
- Funding, organizing and distributing DVS Christmas Cards
- Providing and maintaining the Police bicycle

6. Archives

Under the supervision of the Archivists, maintaining, expanding and preserving the DVS Archives to include information and artefacts from within and beyond the local community relating to Dore, eg historical information, photographs, memorabilia and paintings. Exhibiting archive material and providing archives for presentation on the Dore Village Website. Searching for and providing archive information for individuals, families and groups on request.

**Mary MacKinnon Secretary,
Dore Village Society**



Dore Village Society open mornings

The first Saturday of the month,
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old school. Drop in for a chat with a DVS
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Dore Village Society membership

Happy New year to all our members.

The subscription year runs from January to December so this year is now due. New members who joined after 1st October 2012 will have their subscription carried over to this year.

I am delighted to be able to report that the new database is now up and running – which is slightly more than can be said for its operator!

You will note some changes to the

enclosed form. This is to enable me to keep accurate records on our new database and to make it easier for us to communicate with you if necessary. Anyone who has moved out of the area but would still like to receive Door to Dore should complete the membership form and send it to me and I will pass on the information to our distributors.

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SYPTE welcomes HSR announcement

South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive (SYPTE) welcomes the Department for Transport's (DfT) announcement for the new High Speed Rail (HSR) network to serve the Sheffield City Region.

DfT confirmed that a station will be built just off the M1 motorway (junction 34), near Meadowhall, as part of the second phase of HSR. Services to the Sheffield City Region (SCR) are due to commence in 2033, but the hard work begins now to make sure that everything is up and ready.

The first and second phases connect the SCR to London, Birmingham and the West Midlands, the East Midlands, and Leeds. Sheffield City Region covers South Yorkshire and parts of north Derbyshire and north Nottinghamshire, including Worksop, Chesterfield and Retford.

The city region's high speed station will bring significant benefits to the region's economy. Research carried out on behalf of SYPTE and Metro (West Yorkshire PTE) showed that High Speed Rail services in Yorkshire would generate an estimated £2.3 billion of local economic benefits on top of the predicted £60 billion of national transport benefits.

By linking the Leeds City Region, the Sheffield City Region and the East Midlands, HSR would connect an area of 6.7 million people and 3 million jobs.

Journeys from Sheffield to London will also be reduced from 2hrs 7mins to 1hr 15mins.

Whilst quicker journey times will bring the capital and the Midlands nearer, opening up new markets and business and job opportunities, the capacity on existing rail lines that HSR will free up is also hugely important to accommodate the growing rail demand in the Sheffield City Region.

Although it will be some time before HSR services begin operations to Sheffield City Region, the benefits could be felt well

before then as businesses grow and relocate to station locations along the route. The M1 location is expected to give a huge boost to the surrounding area, as well as across wider South Yorkshire.

Cllr Mick Jameson, Chair of South Yorkshire Integrated Transport Authority said: "This announcement is the result of a lot of hard work by people across the Sheffield City Region and beyond and is hugely important for our future economic competitiveness.

"The M1 location is already served by bus, Supertram and local rail services. It will help to spread the benefits of HSR throughout the region, using the transport links which have ready access to much of South Yorkshire. It will offer much improved connections to London and the other cities in the Midlands and North. It will also open up many new possibilities for new services to places not currently served when capacity is freed up on the existing network."

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We have already some lovely pictures lined up for this year's exhibition for all to see or perhaps purchase, maybe for a wedding present or a house warming gift.

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Connie Bedford, Co-ordinator for Dore Art Show

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Local pub visits a councillor to deliver a petition

A delegation from the Devonshire Arms descended on local Councillor Colin Ross during his Saturday morning surgery. They delivered a several hundred named petition and requested the new pub statutory code is pushed through with more urgency as many local pubs, including the Devonshire, are unlikely to still be trading when it is implemented.

Colin Ross followed up the issues raised in the meeting, "I have discussed this with Nick and he immediately wrote to Enterprise Inns. The reply came in last Friday and I shared this with Tina on Saturday. Basically it just said negotiations are continuing and they hoped to reach an agreement over the level of rent before the court case in April. I have also met with Greg Mulholland the Lib Dem Leeds North West MP who is leading the campaign in the Commons on this matter. He is very keen to do what he can and we are trying to arrange a visit from him to the Devonshire.

In the new plans, struggling pub landlords were promised help recently with Business Secretary Vince Cable announcing plans for an independent Adjudicator to address unfair practices in the industry.

As well as the new Adjudicator Dr Cable also wants to establish a new statutory Code to look at the relationship between large pub companies and publicans, which will be enforced by the Adjudicator. This new Code will ensure fair practices for a number of issues including rents and the prices publicans pay for beer. It would also have the power to investigate and deal with disputes between pub companies (pubcos) and publicans, and in some cases have the power to fine.

In particular, the proposed Code would prevent abuses of the beer tie, which oblige publicans to sell particular types of beer. It would enshrine the fundamental principle that 'a tied licensee should be no worse off than a free-of-tie-licensee' which will ensure a level playing field is maintained in the pub sector.

Nick Clegg commented on the new plans "Pubs are a cornerstone of our community, but many have told me that they have been struggling in recent years thanks to some unfair practices by large pub companies. These new measures will give hard-working publicans a fairer chance at running their pub so they can continue to serve their communities.



Tina Gage and a delegation from the Devonshire Arms discuss the options with Councillor Colin Ross following the revelation that Enterprise Inns have 'mis-informed' the Deputy PM Nick Clegg.

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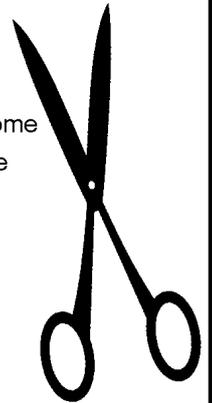
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For almost 34 years many thousands of children have been lucky enough to be able to visit and stay on the farm. In fact, there are many instances of second generation families now visiting the farm. But Whirlow is not just a visitor attraction and during their visit the children learn where food comes from and, depending on the season, even get to pick their own vegetables from the field to cook for dinner.

However, the economic climate is raising many challenges for the Trust whose fundraising team need to raise £300,000 every year just to maintain the level of service they provide today.

This is likely to be increased in the next financial year by the expected withdrawal or cutback of a £40,000 grant which they currently receive from Sheffield City Council.



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Joan Ward, Head of Fundraising, said 'Although we are looking at sustainable ways of increasing our income by delivering accredited courses to schools and colleges, the fact remains that income generation is particularly difficult for charities at the present time; Whirlow Hall Farm is no exception.

We are therefore asking the local community to rally round to help us in any way they feel able. We are always looking for 'Friends of Whirlow' – a donation of £30 per year will help support the Trust and, in return, friends will receive complementary tickets to open days.

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Skating outside

Memories of cold winters in my teens always include skating outside. After a few days of hard frost Longshaw would be frozen solid. You always hoped for a lack of wind, or the surface would be frozen in waves! The main part of the lake away from the trees became an ice hockey pitch and an irregular section around it for figure skating. The reeds hadn't encroached as much as now so there was plenty of room.

At night the moon might be enough light or car headlights were added. Once someone stood a brazier on the path. A group including Mick Wells, Dave Broughton, the Farnsworth brothers and my father and brother Tony would go hurtling around using a mixture of homemade sticks and pucks, school hockey sticks, clip on skates (which had a tendency to fall off your shoes) and proper skates. I was lucky that some elegant tan leather skating boots of my mother's fitted my feet and as I grew took over my aunt's pair. I taught myself a basic waltz, backward skating and so on, but Mr. Broughton was the expert figure skater and always good to watch. It's sad that dog walkers have destroyed the chance of skating on the rare times it's cold enough nowadays. By throwing countless large sticks on the newly formed Longshaw ice for dogs to chase, these become embedded in the surface during a thaw/freeze cycle and are hazardous for skating. Loose surface sticks from the trees can be swept off. We always took brooms. They might be needed in a rescue situation.

When low temperatures held, Forge Dam and Wire Mill Dam were popular skating venues and nearby my school (High Storrs) and last of all being so low, Beauchief Dam. All the Dore contingent turned out for skating there. Richard reckons the ice was solid in the Winter of 62/63 for three months on Beauchief Dam.

Sheffield had no ice rink in those days so on occasions a group of us went to Nottingham or Leeds. There were frightening aspects of indoor skating; blades going over fallen skaters heads because of the sheer numbers of people arms linked with no chance of altering speed. Then the awful boredom of always going anticlockwise. I never got used to that..... And where were the stars?

Gillian Farnsworth (nee Heathcote)



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St Edmund or St George?

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As we all know, the flag of England is the Cross of St George, and this is the flag that has been flown around the world as a show of triumph and strength. But, what about St. Edmund?

St. Edmund was a descendant of the Wuffings and the Wuffing Kingdom of East Anglia. Although accounts of his martyrdom vary, there is no doubt that the people of the time witnessed in their eyes the marks of a saint.

We do know that St. Edmund died an agonising death, and that even after being tortured, he still stayed true to his beliefs.

"In this year the (Danish) host rode across Mercia into East Anglia and took winter quarters in Thetford and the same year King Edmund fought against them and the Danes had the victory, and they slew the King and overran the entire kingdom."

- Anglo Saxon Chronicle: (Version A, written between 877 - 899)

Although brief, the above tells us that England was invaded by the Danes, leading to the death of King Edmund. Some say he was killed on the battlefield, others state that he was tortured and beheaded. Whatever actually happened that day will never be known, however the most magical of those stories has over the years caught the imagination of many people.

It is believed that Edmund escaped from the battle after his army was defeated by the Danish outlanders. Edmund fled to Haegelisdun (Hoxne as it is now known) where he took shelter beneath the Goldbrook bridge (Gold Bridge). It is there that Edmund was finally captured, after the reflection of his spur was spotted by passing newly-weds. The Danes dragged Edmund from under the bridge and marched him to Belmore's Oak, or St Edmund's Oak as it became later known. There he was tied to the tree, whipped and riddled with arrows. Edmund refused to renounce his faith and yield his treasures, stating that he would rather die for his people and his God. It was then that Edmund was beheaded, and his head was taken into the nearby woods and discarded into the undergrowth.

After the Danes had left, the locals came to discover Edmund's decapitated body tied to a tree. They then began a search for days to find their King's head, and as all hope faded, they spotted a hungry wolf guarding Edmund's head, and although the wolf was hungry and cold, it refused to leave. The villagers retrieved the head and travelled back to town under the watchful eye of the guardian wolf. Edmund's head was then placed together with his body in a temporary chapel, which was to become the site of many alleged miracles for visiting worshippers.

Edmund's body was later moved to Beodricesworth, or Bury St. Edmunds, where the greatest miracle was witnessed. It is said that upon opening his coffin they found that his head and body were attached, with nothing more than a small red ring visible around his neck, and that all wounds from the arrows had healed.

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Senior Citizens Drive Safe

A ground breaking initiative developed by the South Yorkshire Safer Roads Partnership is being offered to help older people to continue driving safely.

The free course, being held at the Lifewise Centre in Rotherham on 4th April, aims to support older drivers by providing them with advice and vital information tailored to meet their needs. Drivers will also be able to take advantage of a practical in-car coaching session to brush up on their driving skills.

Data shows that drivers aged 60+ are over represented in collisions when compared to the proportion of older drivers on the road. With older drivers more likely to be seriously injured, the course aims to help drivers avoid the pain, suffering and inconvenience of being involved in such an incident.

The Safer Roads Partnership is working with Safety 1st Driving Academy to deliver an entertaining and informative presentation at the event as well as offering on the road driving sessions. Attendees will also be able to talk to a range of agencies who will be on hand to offer advice on a variety of related topics such as: general health and wellbeing; eyesight and eye health; vehicle maintenance; motoring mobility aids; alternatives to car travel, with advice on public transport options; the role of the emergency services in the event of a road traffic collision.

PC Mick Hedges explains, "Older drivers have amassed a wealth of experience over their driving career. The course aims to bring their knowledge up to date and help them to drive safer for longer, to maintain their mobility and independence."

Andy Warburton from Safety 1st Driving Academy said, "We're really excited to be involved with this event and to have an opportunity to help our more senior citizens to continue to be safe and considerate drivers. What's more we are able to offer this free of charge through our work with the Safer Roads Partnership, so it won't cost drivers a penny."

To book a place at the event, which will be held at the Lifewise Centre on Thursday 4th April, starting at 10am, call 01709 832 455 or email drive.safe@southyorks.pnn.police.uk. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis so book early to avoid disappointment.

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A Local Electrical and Hardware Shop Again

Dore and Totley residents have bemoaned the loss of Peter Casson's electrical shop on Totley Rise, Green's in Dore, and the DIY hub of Busy Bee since they closed several years ago; and with the recession bringing devastation to the high street, it wasn't likely that they would be replaced any time soon.

But now an entrepreneurial local couple have set up shop close to the busy Co-op on Baslow Road and are aiming to provide all your hardware needs, be that a single nail or a posh chandelier.

Situated in a first floor room above the Heatherfield Club (formerly the Conservative Club) on Baslow Road, Mand Made Electrical and Hardware Supplies is run by Paul Reynolds, occasionally assisted by wife Mandy when she's not out and about doing her electrical work. Paul is the youngest son of Danny, who was born in Shrewsbury Terrace in Totley in 1910, and Isabel; much loved and missed Totley veteran residents. Mandy is the lady electrician who has been a longstanding Dore to Door advertiser and works extensively in the S17 area.

Paul comments: "the shop is only about as big as our front room, so we cannot compete with B&Q on depth and breadth of range; but then, we're not a DIY chain. What we can offer is a friendly service and the willingness to get you what you need, without you having to drive 5 miles and spend an hour wandering around a huge DIY warehouse. We might not always be able to compete on price, but you can buy the number of screws you want rather than a sealed pack of 100 – so actually costing you less in real terms".

The shop will also be a base for Mandy's electrician business, Mand Made. In case you're wondering, Mandy explains "the name is a combination of my own name (friends call me Mand for short) and 'Hand Made' which usually denotes goods that are one of a kind and made with care and attention to detail; I always strive to give that kind of a service." Whether you are looking for a Part P qualified electrician to rewire your house, or just need a tin of paint for the back gate, pop in and have a word with Paul. He'll be pleased to see friends old and new – and the kettle's always on!

Mandy Reynolds

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The rise and demise of Community Assemblies

Community Assemblies were introduced in 2009, a year after the Liberal Democrats won control of the City Council, as part of the their Community Involvement Strategy to "put Us in the Driving Seat". Seven in total, each covering 4 electoral wards, they replaced Area Panels which had been in place since about 1995.

Each CA evolved differently, and in 2010 a public meeting was held to compare what worked, and what didn't city-wide. But this well-attended debate wasn't recorded, so most of its positive and negative comments were lost.

Labour won control of the City Council a year later in 2011, and put the future of CAs under review. Various discussions over the next 18 months suggested that public support was dwindling, and that CAs were in need of reform, but no major changes were made.

In October 2012 a public meeting was held by 'Sheffield for Democracy' to discuss the way forward for CAs, and showed remarkable cross-party agreement that changes were necessary. A detailed report was issued, which is still on their website - www.sheffieldfordemocracy.org.uk

The City Council now faces major budget cuts from April 2013, and published its proposals to wind up the existing CAs and replace them with more cost-effective structures. A public consultation on these proposals closed on 28th January, and it's likely they will be implemented in March. But a further consultation is planned to start in April to discuss what new local structures should replace the CAs.

It's now up to those with an interest in local democracy to engage in this further consultation to ensure a more satisfactory long-term solution with better public scrutiny, and not just another top-down quick fix. Watch this space

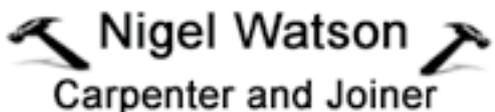
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That's all the concerts over now until the summer and now we concentrate on our annual show which, as some of you will know, is Iolanthe (or The Peer and the Peri). There is much that is still topical in this operetta which pokes more than a little fun at Parliament, the House of Lords and MPs in general ("...who have to leave their brains outside and vote just as their leaders tell 'em to"). Once again Graham Weston is our producer and our professional MD is Andrew Griffiths who has already whipped us into musical shape so we are expecting a show to equal last year's triumph.

This year, through circumstances over which we had no control, we are back at The Montgomery Theatre on Surrey Street. The production will run from Wednesday 10th April to Saturday 13th April 2013. The performances will begin at 7:30pm on the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, with a matinee at 2:00pm and an evening performance at 6:30pm on the Saturday. Please note that the Saturday show will be a GALA evening in aid of St. Luke's Hospice and bucket collections are being organized.

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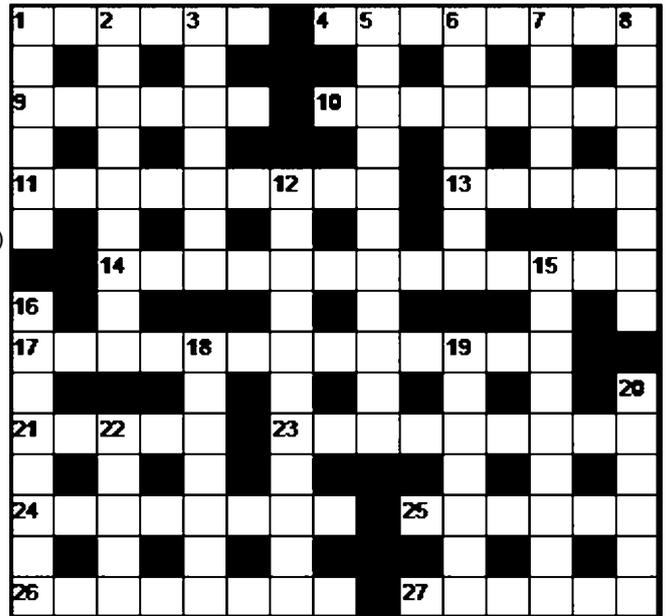
The Crossword

Across

1. Sixty minutes - no good putting Conservative leader in command (6)
4. What's overrun on second raid (8)
9. Illuminated by whatever prayer (6)
10. Scowled and was sullen but got great service (8)
11. Jittery time with signs of dreaming when accompanied by flashy things (9)
12. Stumble when losing strength, need to change (5)
14. Hurry to get settlement (13)
17. Once a friend to Construction Union (13)
21. Time to become a poet's inspiration (5)
23. Revolutionary challenged - an inch away from being spotted (9)
24. Charge into the ship following a number of strains (8)
25. Choose jail when hearing takes place outdoors (6)
26. Beautiful woman meets First Lady taking on devil's last mess (8)
27. Degenerate doesn't have a right to be way out (6)

Down

1. Swell! The woman is dead (6)
2. Prince goes wild about outrageous connection (6,3)
3. Honour comes having been no left turn (7)
5. Falcon circling at range (11)
6. Guru holding dreadful dance (7)
7. Representative for good luck, not married, of course (5)
8. Getting through and finish when you said call (8)
12. I develop science with revolutionary red light (11)
15. Bliss maybe can be found in darkness (9)
16. Played around with change in Las Vegas with no time to get stressed (8)
18. Working overtime, losing Rupees - must get stirring (7)
19. Getting used to being in posh circle (7)
20. Anticipates outside of paper is lacking rules (6)
22. Having relations in favourite places without husband (5)



Answers for the Winter crossword

Crossword compiled by Mavis.

Answers will be published in the next edition

but if you really can't wait they're already on www.doretodoor.co.uk



It's a funny old world

- The Russian international dialling code is 007.
- The world's population spend 500,000 hours per day typing in internet security passwords.
- Italy's biggest business is the Mafia, accounting for 7% of their GDP.
- The Roman name for Paris was Lutetia, which translates into English as Slough.
- 98% of British homes have carpeted floors, in Italy only 2% do.
- Until 1913, children in America could legally be sent via parcel post.
- Cardiff has more hours of sunlight than Milan.

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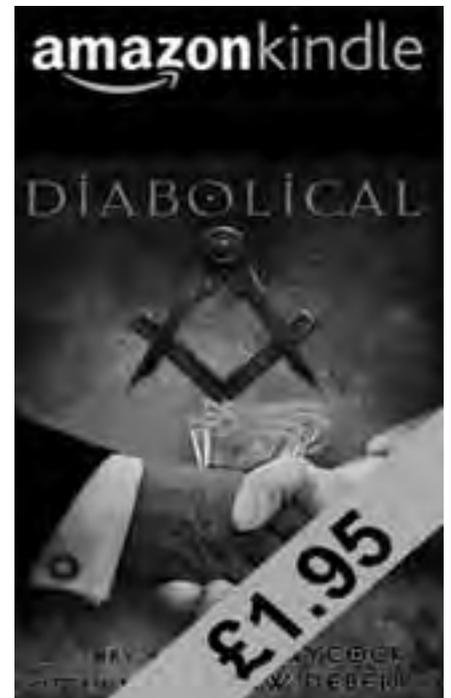
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Joe Root FEC?

In sporting parlance FEC stands for Future England Captain and in cricket I recall that term being applied to Michael Atherton and Michael Vaughan previously. Now it is being applied to Joe Root who becomes the second citizen of Dore to receive this accolade following Michael Vaughan who, of course, went on to captain the England cricket team very successfully. Unlike Vaughan who was born in Manchester, as was Atherton, Root is Dore born and bred.

To judge from recent evidence, he may very well fulfill people's expectations having made his debut in the 4th Test match against India in December. A surprise choice, he batted well making 73 in his first innings; bowled well and was excellent in the field. He then went on to make his debut in the One Day series in India after Christmas and again performed well. In fact he performed so well that the England selectors decided to include him in the squad for the forthcoming Test series and One Day series in New Zealand rather than have him captain the England Lions [second team] in Australia as planned.

Many experts are predicting that he will be included in the squad for this summer's Ashes series against Australia and as somebody with tickets for the 4th Test in Durham this August let's hope that our Dore contingent have something special to cheer. At the age of 22 I doubt he will be the England captain just yet because Alistair Cook is only 28 and he is making a good job of it so far. However, in the future he may very well become the second Dore resident to captain England at cricket and not many villages can claim that!

David Owen

New Croquet Club in Sheffield

Croquet might not be on your list of top sporting activities, but it is a fast-growing sport with a number of new clubs opening in Yorkshire and Derbyshire. Two local residents from Dore, Adrian Simmerson and Mike White, were part of a croquet team (Sheffield U3A) that recently finished top of the Yorkshire Croquet League, in their first season, winning all their matches.

Along with a few colleagues they have now formed Sheffield Croquet Club. Adrian says: "This will give Sheffield its first croquet club that is open to all.

Croquet is a game that everyone can enjoy. It can be played by all ages, and men and women can play on equal terms. Croquet offers something different; it is a fresh air sport that does not require extreme fitness. Playing croquet provides opportunities for meeting people, and at the same time can be as competitive as you want it to be".

Mike added: "Croquet is often caricatured as being a genteel game played on the lawns of Victorian vicarages. Today, nothing could be further from the truth. It is a game which not only requires good eye-hand co-ordination, but also a high level of skill. Precision, delicacy of touch, and an understanding of tactics are particularly important".

The club, which will start playing in April 2013 at Sheffield Transport Sports Club at Norton, will be holding open days to encourage beginners to come along and try their hand at croquet.

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Mike White



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Tigers savaged by injuries

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Tigers RUFC Press Secretary

Open Day at Abbeydale Park Bowling Club

Following two very successful open days held last year which attracted many new members, it has been decided to repeat the events this year.

The Club will therefore be holding two open mornings on Saturday 6th and Saturday 20th April between 10 am and 12 noon for anyone who would like to try their hand at Crown Green Bowling.

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- 5th Dore Ladies Group 7.45pm Church Hall Townhead Road Speaker : Alan Brown "Update on Work at Bluebell Wood Visitors Welcome £3
- 8th Former King Ecgbert School site consultation, Dore Old School, Savage Lane 1pm – 5pm
- 10th Craft Courses at the Woodland Discovery Centre Ecclesall Woods 9.30am to 3.30pm. Frame Basket Making £80
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- 16th Craft Courses at the Woodland Discovery Centre Ecclesall Woods 10am to 4pm Walking Stick Course £65
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APRIL

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- 24th **DVS AGM 7.30pm** Dore Methodist Church hall - Followed by an illustrated talk by Mr Ron Clayton of BBC Radio Sheffield's Hidden Histories on 'The Lost Streets and Street Names of Sheffield'

MAY

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- 11th Friends of Ecclesall Woods Environment Week Archaeology Walk, led by Geoffrey Hartland. Meet at the Woodland Discovery Centre at 10 am.
- 18th The South Pennine Group of the Hardy Plant Society is holding its well known Spring Plant Sale in the Sheffield Botanical Gardens 12.30 - 3.30 pm
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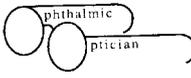
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