

DORE DOOR

DORE VILLAGE SOCIETY

NO. 144 WINTER 2021

ISSN 0965-8912



September Song

'Tis nearly the season to be jolly

Hopefully this year will bring peace & goodwill to us all...

Last year, on what should have been a beautiful, peaceful local event for families, of beautiful lights on Abbeydale Park Rise and Crescent, turned into nearly a month of absolute hell for residents on both streets.

Covid certainly played its part among the masses of people that turned up just wanting to get out, but this does not excuse some of the bad behaviours that were witnessed.

As a resident of APC for the last four years, I was absolutely appalled at what took place. People were fighting as the roads were gridlocked, rubbish was dumped at the side of the roads where people illegally parked, said parking caused terrible muddy and dangerous conditions, which are to this day still not back to the beautiful verges they once were. (see photo, right.)

People on APR & APC were literally trapped in their homes, when some needed to be giving emergency care to elder relatives, others unable to come and go shopping for the festive period, and not being able to have relatives visit at a time when we as residents hadn't seen our loved ones for months due to the pandemic, was the most heartbreaking.

Therefore this year, I have engaged in talks with Highways to hopefully get a TRO (Traffic Regulation Order) in place to have a one way system from the top of APR (so as not to cause a back-up of traffic on the main road entering at the bottom), with 'residents only' parking between certain hours when the visitors start coming and leaving.

We are awaiting costs and details and will update once this has been fed back. The DVS will be contributing to this, so we can all enjoy this local community event.

The next Dore to Door isn't until February, but there is a dedicated Facebook page for APR & APC, so residents can converse with each other and be updated. Find this at www.facebook.com/s17abbeydalepark.

If anyone would like to connect with myself for further details, please email tracy.haigh@dorevillage.co.uk.

Tracy Haigh

Can you drive? Do you have a car?

Project Connie is a small, informal group of Dore people who take our elderly residents to their medical appointments.

We range anywhere from mums with children at school to enthusiastic golfers and some retirees, all busy people with just a few hours to spare occasionally.

You would probably only be needed once or twice a month and it is very satisfying lending a hand to take someone to the doctor or dentist who would otherwise struggle with an impersonal taxi.

It's relaxed - there's never any pressure. The recipients are so appreciative it's a joy to be involved.

If you would be interested then please ring Sue Ross on 2365248 and we can have a chat.

Find it hard to get to your medical appointments?

If you're over 60 and living in Dore then we can help.

Project Connie is a small local group of volunteers who are more than happy to take you to the the doctor, dentist or the hospital and then bring you home again if you're struggling with transport.

The way it works is easy. You ring the number, then one of us will organise a volunteer and call you back with the details.

So if you're interested please give either Sue Ross or Pat Yates a call on 07931 483693 and we will call you back and visit you to tell you more about it.

Sue Ross



Old School enters its third century

Old boys and girls came out to play in their dozens in October for the Doreways exhibition held to mark 200 years of their alma mater. It was a lovely event to attend, with a lively buzz around the school. It really brought the building to life.

The exhibition was visited by many local residents, and others travelled some distance to see their old school again. Messages of support came from as far away as Canada.

Dore School served as the village's primary from 1821 until its replacement in 1965 by the current Dore Primary School. The youngest children when the Old School closed are now in their sixties, and Doreways now has access to a wealth of photographs supplied by them. We'll be working through these over Christmas with a view to a feature in Dore to Door's next issue.

Tracy Haigh

Community Christmas Choir

After a wonderful experience for all involved in 2019, we are pleased to announce the return of the Dore Community Christmas Choir for 2021. The choir will sing at the Festival of Carols at Christ Church Dore on Sunday 19th December at 4pm and 6pm. All who enjoy singing are invited to join! Experience of singing in choirs and reading music welcome but definitely not essential. Rehearsals will take place at Christ Church Dore Community Centre, Townhead Road, on Wednesdays from 20.00-21.30, commencing 20th October. If you are interested in taking part then please contact us on condliffe@doctors.org.uk



Wassail Walk

The annual Wassail Walk is recommencing and we will be setting off on Monday 27th December at 10am from the Dore Old School car park for our usual five mile meander around parts of Blacka Moor, with a shorter return option of 3.5 miles for anyone not wanting to walk 5 miles. Children and dogs are welcome. Please ensure that you are properly equipped with adequate footwear and clothing. We go whatever the weather but the route is determined on the day to take account of this. Mince pies, mulled wine, water and fruit juice will be available at the end of the walk.

Keith Shaw

Lantern Parade going ahead

The Dore Village Christmas Lantern Parade is back this year, and the date for your diary is Wednesday 1st December from 6.00 pm.

The DVS welcomes the families of Dore to join us as we light up the sky for the beginning of the month-long countdown to Christmas with the official switch-on of Dore's Christmas lights. We will meet outside the shops on Causeway Head Road from 6pm.

Father Christmas will lead the parade at 6.30pm towards the village green, followed by a meet and greet in the Devonshire Arms from 7.15pm, where his elves will help him hand out early Christmas gifts.

Singing of Christmas carols around the Christmas tree, live performances, hot chestnut stalls, hot refreshments and late-night shop openings all make for a wonderful celebratory start to the Christmas festivities.

Children are welcome to bring their torches and homemade lanterns and there will be magic wands and torches on sale on the evening with the proceeds going to local charities.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

Caroline Davies

Dore Probus Club makes a cautious return

After seventeen months, Dore Probus made a cautious return to its usual venue on 9th September. Members had been consulted before the decision was made, and 27 of us turned up, observing the appropriate protocols. It was a cheerful occasion, on which we had the sense of coming to a party where we were reacquainted with old friends.

Thanks to Zoom we could say that Probus never went away, since we maintained a regular programme of talks at the same intervals as before we abandoned the hall. It had taken us a while to decide that Zoom meetings were better than none, but there is no doubt that they were a success, with around thirty members on average and some excellent talks. One of the advantages of Zoom meetings was that we could watch speakers and their slides without actually needing them to be close by. It meant that we could enjoy talks delivered in various parts of the country and abroad - lectures that would have been costly to arrange when we had speakers from places such as London or Frankfurt.

During the long period of absence, it could be argued that it was not only the Zoom meetings that kept Probus alive, but also the newsletters written by our Secretary, Nigel Reeves, who proved to be a star entertainer with his regular circulation of jokes (sometimes awful, as he himself admits). In fact, it is doubtful whether members will find any jokes in their Christmas crackers this year that have not previously been done to death in his circulars. On our return to the hall on September 9th the Chairman justifiably paid tribute to Nigel's outstanding service to the Club during a difficult time.

Whilst it is not easy to foretell precisely what the list of talks will be in the next few months, our website now contains provisional information. For further details you are invited to consult the website at doreprobus.wordpress.com.

You will notice that we have a full programme leading up to the Annual General Meeting on February 24th, including topics on the motor industry, local history, medical subjects, and the requisite obscure titles to keep members guessing.

Now that we are settling back into the routine of meeting at Dore Methodist Church (at 10.15am on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month), we hope that the number attending will return to pre-covid levels. At present no subscriptions are being charged for membership. If you would like to join, or simply come to a meeting, you are welcome to contact our Secretary, Nigel Reeves, by telephone (0777 577 4575) or by email (n-reeves@outlook.com).

Peter Beardsell
Vice-Chairman, Dore Probus Club

Thanks to our loyal helpers

I would like to put on record the service of those who during this year have become unable to continue delivering this magazine.

To Timothy Lever for five years and to the following for more than twenty years each: Pauline Jenkinson, Joan and Ian Boriston, Colin Price and John Eastman.

We are so lucky to have such loyalty from folk willing to brave the hills and rain to benefit our local community. And the continuing service given by so many others. So valued at a time of estrangement during pandemic. It's not always realised that one road and its side cul de sacs can involve several deliverers, such as Trolley Brook Road. We have 62 delivery rounds in Dore and postal deliveries elsewhere but with gaps on some.

For anyone considering this, please speak to me... there's no twenty-year contract! Covering once a year is valuable, as is offering your services as a reserve. All magazines are brought to your door and you choose during the next few days what day suits you to deliver them. So you can wait until the rain stops!

On behalf of the distribution team of Geoff Cope, Andy Pack and Roger Millican.

Gillian Farnsworth
Tel: 0114 235 0609

**DORE & TOTLEY
RAINBOWS,
BROWNIES & GUIDES**

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR
VOLUNTEERS!**

Do you have a little time to give?
Are you enthusiastic?
Do you enjoy working with children?

WHY NOT HELP TO RUN ONE OF OUR UNITS?

Register at www.girlguiding.org.uk
or email southdivcomm@yahoo.co.uk

Be part of our amazing team of volunteers who provide a safe space for girls where they can grow and have adventures.

<p>5- 7YRS</p> <p>Rainbows is all about developing self-confidence, building friendships, learning new things and having fun.</p>	<p>7-10YRS</p> <p>Brownies introduces girls to a world of new opportunities, challenges and fun. They also take part in residential building independence.</p>	<p>10-14YRS</p> <p>Guides have an exciting and varied programme designed to inspire and challenge girls. They camp and enjoy amazing outdoor adventures.</p>
--	---	---

Queen's Green Canopy initiative in Dore

The Queen's Green Canopy (QGC) is a unique tree planting initiative created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022 which invites people from across the United Kingdom to "Plant a Tree for the Jubilee."

Dore Village Society and pupils from Dore Primary School will be working together to take this project forward over the next few months. If you want to know more about the QGC visit their website <https://queensgreencanopy.org/get-involved/communities-and-groups/>

Oliver Mills, Year 6 teacher from Dore Primary School, writes: *"Outdoor Learning is a key curriculum driver at Dore Primary School. We believe that there is tremendous value to be had in children learning about and developing a respect for nature and the outdoor world. Over the last few years, we have engaged with several projects to develop the green spaces in our community and further afield: tree planting at the Kings Croft, tree planting at the Recreation Ground, creating bird habitats at Shillito Woods and developing willow tit habitats at Limb Lane.*

"This year, we are proud to be a part of the commemoration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee through the Queen's Green Canopy project, working alongside the Dore Village Society. Year 6 pupils at Dore Primary School will be learning about the positive impacts tree planting and rewilding can have on biodiversity and the climate challenges we are facing as a species. We look forward to working with Dore Village Society and our local community, to celebrate the Jubilee and continue fostering a love of the outdoors in this generation of young people."

Looking forward to 2022

Next spring, we will be welcoming Paul Selby, from Nether Edge and Sharrow Sustainable Transformation, who will give an illustrated talk on maximising the pollinator potential of our gardens. Over many years, Paul has transformed his urban garden in Nether Edge into a haven for butterflies and pollinators. We may be faced with the shocking reality that 41% of the Earth's remaining five million insect species are now 'threatened with extinction' (Insect Declines and Why They Matter, SW Wildlife Trusts, 2019) but it's still possible to make changes to our own green spaces which may help to stop the decline. Paul is certainly 'doing his bit' - he campaigned for the Chelsea Road elm in Nether Edge to be saved from felling after discovering that the tree was host to a colony of rare white-letter hairstreak butterflies. He is also involved in the 'Buckthorn for Brimstone' project, in partnership with the Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife Trust which aims to increase the local Brimstone butterfly population. Paul will be returning to Dore to lead a butterfly walk in late July 2022.

Dore Village Society Living Advent Calendar 2021

After the success of last year's Advent Calendar trail, we are repeating it this year. There was plenty of creativity shown in the windows, and evidence of the things that mattered to people even in the midst of that miserable lockdown Christmas season. The full trail stretching from Totley Brook Road to Brickhouse Lane measured about eight miles, so it was also a healthy way to work off excess seasonal treats too. If you'd like to take part this year tweet us @DoreVillageSoc or email DVSAdvent@gmail.com.

Margaret Peart

**Please mention Dore to Door
when replying to advertisements.
It helps both DVS and the advertiser.**



Changes in the Park

Since our last update, the Friends of Whirlow Brook Park (FoWP) have been extremely busy in the park. With an increasing number of volunteers they have worked hard in the sunken garden, but things were not going as fast as hoped so Parks Department at Sheffield City Council moved in with a tractor and digger and cleared all the overgrown shrubs. FoWP hope to have a design and plan shortly for new flower beds but have already planted lavender at the top of the steps. SCC also removed two very overgrown conifers, which were breaking up the walls. These will be replaced by more appropriate trees with a kind donation from the Hallamshire Soroptimists.

More has been achieved in the sensory garden nearby, with the kids' maze being scrubbed and painted (still a work in progress). And a lovely stone path has been discovered that was hidden under lots of shrubbery and weeds. At the gardening session on 2nd October, there were around 20 volunteers including four students from Sheffield University.

FoWP's latest development is the new fence by the top car park, installed by the Friends and SCC gardener Grahame. It looks great! There are plans also to repaint the lines in the car park for more ease of parking.

The Friends group also held their first General Meeting in Whirlow Brook Hall on 28 September, with around 40 Friends attending. A management committee was duly elected, and a Forward plan presented to the Friends. The meeting was chaired by Councillor Colin Ross, (Dore and Totley) with a talk on Flood alleviation in the Limb Brook by Roy Mosley from the Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife Trust.

Future plans for FoWP are to clear the ponds and around the pond edges, to repaint some of the park benches that are sadly looking a bit tired, and working with SCC to generally improve the look of the park. If you would like to volunteer, then please visit their website at www.friendsofwhirlowbrookpark.org.uk. Volunteer sessions take place on the first Saturday of the month at 9.45am and on alternate Mondays and Wednesdays each month. Sessions in November and December are: Saturday 6 November, Wednesday 17 November, Saturday 4 December, Saturday 8 January.

Maggie Girling
FoWP Publicity Officer



I'm sitting writing this article in my garden on the last weekend in September. The sun is shining, the birds are singing, and one of my teenagers is voluntarily wearing shorts (I don't know what happened there - maybe they haven't done their laundry yet). I can't believe how lucky we've been with the weather over the summer and, apart from the two weeks in August when I had booked holiday and we were staycating, it feels like we've had glorious sunshine since Easter.

The three events that we were hoping were going to happen without any Covid disruption happened as planned, the first one being the party on the Rec. On Sunday 5th of September in the most glorious weather, we held our musical extravaganza. People who know these things estimated that there were about 1000 people there, all enjoying the sunshine as well as music from Elton John, Frank Sinatra and ABBA to mention a few. The scout barbecue sold out, the beer tent ran out of beer, and we raised about £1000 on the raffle and auction for local causes. There was a slight interruption when the generator died but thanks to some very kind neighbours we were soon back up and running. All in all, it was an excellent day out.

Having listened to feedback from people who were both there and not able to make it, the organisers have decided to move the event forward next year so the party on the Rec in 2022 will be on the 19th of June. Save the date and I'll see you there!

The second event was the Dore Show the following weekend. Again, we had excellent weather for this event and a large number of exhibitors. I was particularly impressed by all the Lego models that were entered in the junior category, though there was one that stood out to me and that was a miniature Dore Show. I thought it was wonderful and I wish I had taken a picture of it to share with you. Whoever the creator was - well done!

There was the usual high standard of craft and artistry on display in the Methodist Church Hall, and the produce, flowers and baking in the Old School were equally impressive. The number of visitors was down slightly on last year, though that was expected, and there was none of the usual entertainment or stalls in the car park. I did

partake of the refreshments available in the Methodist church and it was nice to be able to sit and chat with people in the sunshine. The auction of exhibits was expertly compered by David Heslop, ably assisted by two helpful youngsters in the audience. The bidding was fast and furious, especially for cakes and lemon curd, which I missed out on again this year. I did manage to purchase some excellent rocky road which seemed to magically disappear the second I got home.

The third event was the following day. As part of National Heritage week, Janet Ridler organised a medieval day complete with an excellent re-enactment troupe. Again, the sun shone, and everyone had a wonderful time.

One of the things that became apparent after talking to people at all these events is that quite a few of them didn't realise they were all organised or supported by the DVS, and they asked what other things the DVS do. So, if you'll allow me in the next few paragraphs, I'm going to blow our own trumpet.

I'll start at the beginning of December as that's just after this issue of D2D will be delivered. Firstly, there are all the Christmas trees and lights in the village centre. We also organise the lantern parade which this year will be on the 1st December, and the living advent calendar.

We give Christmas donations to any local charity that successfully applies for one. Last year we donated to four local lunch clubs and Transport 17. The charity must be based or operate within our area of benefit, and it must be for a specific item, not towards ongoing costs. If you would like to apply for this year's round of donations you need to be quick - the deadline is the end of November. Please email any requests for donations to secretary@dorevillage.co.uk stating your charity name, number, and address, along with how much you would like and what it is for.

The Wyvern Walkers organise many walks over the course of the year, but the main event is the Wassail walk which happens between Christmas and New Year. It's a shortish walk around the local area usually up on to Blackamoor and ending up in either the Old School or the Christ Church Community Hall for a mince pie and cup of mulled wine or non-alcoholic alternative. It's a lovely way to blow off the Christmas cobwebs and catch up with friends whilst getting a bit of gentle exercise. The dates for all the walks are on our website.

There are numerous heritage events, talks and exhibitions throughout the year on interesting local topics. These are usually organised by the heritage team or the Doreways group. There are also environmental talks and activities, previous topics covered include

hedgehogs and swift nesting boxes.

We help out with various events over the festival fortnight including sponsorship of the fun run organised by the primary school, and the Wyvern Walkers lead a boundary walk. Also, the Party on the Rec and Dore Show as mentioned above.

On top of all this there are our long-term projects, the just finished Dore Neighbourhood Plan that was 5+ years in the making, keeping a general eye on planning applications, the mapping of all local footpaths, getting involved in local environmental issues, we have a representative on the newly formed South West Local Area Committee (SW LAC) which is the new council engagement initiative - Phew! I'm exhausted just typing it all out and I'm sure I'll have missed something.

The other thing I wanted to mention in this article is that the committee are looking for a new secretary. Our current secretary, Brenda, is retiring at the end of the year after a good few years of keeping us in order and I would like to extend our thanks to her for all her time and effort. If you would like to join the committee as secretary please email me - jen.donnelly@dorevillage.co.uk and I can let you know what is involved. We meet 11 times a year, usually on the last Tuesday of the month.

I think that's all for now. I hope you all have a great Christmas (I can't believe I wrote that word in September!) and I'll see you at the lantern parade.

Jen

Dora





Sunken trackways are one of the Woods' more obvious archaeological features

FEW was formed in 1993 to help preserve, study and work in Ecclesall Woods, the largest ancient woodland in South Yorkshire. So many activities are now carried out in the woods that it is a challenge to cater for the various and sometimes conflicting needs of visitors as well as manage the native flora and fauna.

The Footpath Group

A volunteer group was set up to look after footpaths, but as funding cuts continued the group has taken on more tasks to help the rangers maintain the diversity and structure of the woods. Some work is seasonal. Clearance of undergrowth such as brambles and holly is done before bluebells and other spring flowers start to emerge.

The ancient art of coppicing and using greenwood for crafts is carried on in the woods and the group control growth where native invaders can overgrow any newly coppiced hazel, willow and planted "whips" (young trees).

Tasks also include removing non-natives such as cherry laurel and Himalayan balsam, and the planting of hedging and trees. The group has helped with installing bridges and has re-fenced the bird sanctuary. Other areas have been fenced where footfall has resulted in bare patches previously occupied by native spring flowers. Litter picking is always on the agenda.

The group meets on a Tuesday morning at 9.30. Contact Jane Beresford janeanden@gmail.com or 07518 750262 for more information.

The Ecology group

The Ecology Group was formed soon after the launch of FEW and undertakes regular plant surveys and compares the results year on year.

The woods are divided into 24 survey areas using natural boundaries such as streams, paths and roads. The survey results have been plotted on a large map to give a clearer overall picture.

The woods are renowned for their spring bluebells but there is concern over areas of woodland undergoing bluebell decline due to the spread of brambles and holly along with human impact.

All the available ecology surveys are listed on the FEW website (see below).

Archaeology in the woods

The area has witnessed human presence over more than two millennia. A late Neolithic cup and ring stone was found in 1981 and a second more recently. The archaeology group has investigated the more recent industrial archaeology, recording the position of charcoal hearths, the charcoal being used for iron smelting and Q pits where wood was burned to form whitecoal used for lead smelting.

Crossing Abbey Lane

In November 2020, several Friends formed a pressure group to campaign for a safe crossing on Abbey Lane. At present there is no designated crossing between the woods, unlike towards Woodseats where there are 5 refuges to aid crossing. We were very grateful to the many people who signed the petition.

In August, the City Council put in a bid to the government's Active Travel Fund which included a crossing between the woods on Abbey Lane. We wait to find out if the bid has been successful.

J G Graves Woodland Discovery Centre

In October 2011, the then Lord Mayor, Sylvia Dunkley, opened the Discovery Centre on the former sawmill site. It has been a great success but sadly was closed to the public during the Covid crisis. We are hoping that it will fully reopen in January.

This year instead of a regular "Feast in the Forest" the centre staff, together with FEW, celebrated 10 years since the opening with a series of events during October. Future scheduled events at the Centre are:

- Sunday 21st Nov; Collier's Market
- Saturday 4th Dec; Wreath making mini workshop between 10-3 - pre booking required at www.craftcourses.com/providers/ecclesall-woods-craft-courses
- Hector's House Christmas Shop opens on Wednesday 19th November
- Christmas trees and logs for sale – to enquire about availability phone 07801 466533
- The Woodland Coffee Stop is open every week Tues-Fri 10am-4pm

Membership

You can find out more about FEW at friendsofecclesallwoods.org.uk/

If you are interested in joining the group contact our Membership Secretary John Baker at johnrbaker8@gmail.com 0114 236 9025. Family membership is £10 per annum.

John Baker

Totley History Group

Public meetings resumed at Totley Library in September but on a trial basis with attendances limited to 30 people to allow for a degree of social distancing.

Our September began with a short, much delayed AGM to receive Chair and Treasurer reports for 2019 and 2020. The plan is to hold a further AGM in April 2022 at which a major topic will be the future of the group.

The AGM was followed by the first part of Stephen Gay's virtual railway journey from Sheffield's abandoned Victoria Station via Darnall, Kiveton Park and Worksop to Retford. Our October meeting was the second part of the journey from Retford through Gainsborough, Brigg and Grimsby to Cleethorpes, with a side trip up the scenic North Lincolnshire branch line to Barton-on-Humber.

Following the success of these meetings the Trustees of Totley CRIC have now opened the Library to community events with a recommendation that seated events are limited to 30 people. The THG committee is happy to adhere to this limit so if you wish to attend this and future meetings could you please register your interest by sending an email to secretary@totleyhistorygroup.org.uk.

Our November meeting will be at the Library on 24th November at 7:30pm and is a talk by Rod Amos entitled "The Bodysnatchers of Yorkshire".

For updates on all our activities please visit www.totleyhistorygroup.org.uk.

Norman Rolfe

Joining and rejoining

It's that time of year again, and you should find your membership form for 2022 included with this issue.

At the time of writing, Dore Village Society had over 1000 members for 2021, out of a total adult population of about 7000 (2011 figures, this year's census numbers aren't out yet). We also have over 100 Wyvern (junior) members. Most little local societies like ours can only dream of a membership like this. Maybe it's because DVS membership is such good value for money.

If you turned up for our Party on the Rec in September and enjoyed an afternoon of live music and entertainment; if you attended the Heritage Day on the village green a week later; if you're going to enjoy the Christmas trees and lights that festoon the village for the festive season, or the Lantern Parade and visit by Father Christmas at the beginning of December - all these things are organised by DVS and provided free for residents. Dore Show is run by a sub-committee of DVS, and our new Neighbourhood Plan is the result of an enormous amount of work by dedicated local people over five years.

All this, of course, costs money. DVS membership for 2022 still costs only £7 for the full year. Barely two pints of beer or a couple of posh coffees and you're officially part of this.

Joining us next year is as simple as we're able to make it. You can

1. Complete the membership form which should fall out of this issue, and give it to any committee member (details below) or leave it through the letter box at Dore Old School, enclosing cash or a cheque. If by some accident you haven't got one of the forms in your magazine, then you can pick one up from the Village Greens.

2. Visit our website at dorevillage.co.uk and go through the menu to Dore Village Society > How to join or renew membership. There you will find out how to pay online, which only takes a few minutes if you have internet banking.

You can also set up your payment to be a direct debit so you don't have to remember to pay every year. This is what I've done.

All online payments are taken through websites run by legitimate banks and DVS never gets to see any of your financial details. The only details that we keep are listed on the membership form, and these are never shared with anyone. There are no annoying warnings about cookies on our website because we don't use them.

All the events I mentioned above, plus financial support for a number of other little local charities, are all lined up to happen again in 2022. It would be great if you were able to join us.

John Eastwood

Councillors' Surgeries

At Dore Old School have now resumed on the second Saturday of each month, from 10.30am-12pm.

The surgeries at Totley Library remain on hold until the library is fully reopened again, which hopefully won't be too long.

Contact Dore to Door:

Editor: John Eastwood
editor@doretodoor.co.uk

Tel: 07850 221048

Post: Dore to Door, c/o Dore Old School, Savage Lane, S17 3GW

Advertising: Richard Courcier
advertising@doretodoor.co.uk
Tel: 07583 173 489

Distribution: Gillian Farnsworth
Tel: 0114 235 0609 if you haven't received your copy or if you'd like to help with distribution

Deadlines for the Spring edition:

Editorial – January 21

Advertising – January 18

Spring publication: February 18

Dore Village Society

Registered Charity No. 1017051

The Society is the designated Neighbourhood Forum for the Dore Area, with responsibility for preparing a Neighbourhood Plan for Dore. The Society also aims to foster the protection and enhancement of the local environment, amenities and facilities within Dore, to encourage a spirit of community and to record its historic development.

Membership of the Society is open to all residents of Dore, those who work in Dore and elected local council members for Dore. Membership is also open to Corporate Members representing societies, associations, educational institutions and businesses in Dore.

Current membership rates are £7 pa for individuals and £35 for corporate members.

Telephone numbers of Committee Members are below; for email, please write to firstname.surname@dorevillage.co.uk, e.g. jen.donnely@dorevillage.co.uk

Committee Members:

Chair	
Jen Donnelly	262 1861
Deputy Chair	
Caroline Davies	07764 169197
Secretary	
Brenda Fryer	236 5628
Treasurers	
Cath Fallaize	
Andrea Walsh	
Planning	
Philip Howes	236 9156
Archives	
Dorne Coggins	327 1054
Heritage	
Janet Ridler	07963 727551

Membership

Joan Davis 07531 183438

Dore to Door

John Eastwood 07850 221048

Website/Social Media

Tracy Haigh

Environment

Margaret Peart

Neighbourhood Forum Steering Group

Christopher Pennell 235 1568

Community Activities

Nick Payne

Keith Shaw 236 3598

More in Dore

Tim Ashman 07921 194063



Published by Dore Village Society

Opinions expressed in letters, articles and services offered by advertisers are not necessarily endorsed by the publishers.

No part of Dore to Door may be reproduced in full or part without prior permission of the Editor on behalf of the publishers.

The Editor retains the right to edit or amend any letter or article sent in for publication.

In view of the possibility of human error by the authors, editors or publishers of the material contained herein, neither the publisher nor any other party involved in the preparation of this material warrants that the information contained herein is in every respect accurate or complete, and they are not responsible for any errors or omissions or for the results obtained from the use of such.

Readers are encouraged to confirm the information contained with other sources.

Copyright Dore Village Society 2022

Printed by The Manson Group Ltd.

www.mansongroup.co.uk

Registered Dore Paths

SHE237	Abbeydale Road South SK323812	↔	Cavendish Avenue SK319813
SHE246	Abbeydale Road South SK324817	↔	Limb Lane SK308820
SHE256	Abbeydale Road South SK323815	↔	SHE246 in Ecclesall Wood SK319816
SHE236	Ashfurlong Road SK314813	↔	Burlington Grove SK313813
SHE235	Burlington Grove SK313812	↔	Vicarage Lane SK310812
SHE228	Bushey Wood Road SK313809	↔	Bushey Wood Brook SK313809
SHE615	Bushey Wood Road SK310810	↔	Furness Avenue SK308807
SHE323	Causeway Head Road SK305816	↔	Parkers Lane SK306817
SHE227	Devonshire Road SK317807	↔	Gillyfield Avenue SK311810
SHE514	Ecclesall Road South SK310826	↔	To SHE49 in Limb Valley SK306829
SHE49	Ecclesall Road South SK310826	↔	To SHE4 in upper Limb Valley SK290836
SHE1131	Furness Avenue SK309807	↔	Wyvern Gardens SK312808
SHE513	Hathersage Road SK299834	↔	To SHE49 in upper Limb Valley SK305822
SHE230	Hillfoot Road SK305801	↔	Totley Brook Road SK308802
SHE4	Houndkirk Road SK290836	↔	To SHE49 in upper Limb Valley SK293834
SHE253	Limb Lane SK310825	↔	To SHE246 in Ran Wood SK315819
SHE246	Limb Lane SK308819	↔	To SHE256 in Ecclesall Wood SK308819
SHE598	Long Line via SHE42 SK296830	↔	To SHE513 in Limb Valley SK302832
SHE512	Long Line SK299825	↔	To SHE513 in Limb Valley SK303832
SHE42	Long Line SK296827	↔	To SHE4 in upper Limb Valley SK294834
SHE41	Old Hay Lane SK297805	↔	SHE40 SK297805
SHE231	Old Hay Lane SK303803	↔	Old Hay Lane SK303805
SHE229	Old Hay Lane SK305806	↔	SHE230 SK306802
SHE232	Old Hay Lane SK303803	↔	Penny Lane SK 301800
SHE464	Ryecroft Glen Road SK320815	↔	SHE256 Ecclesall Wood SK320815
SHE616	Savage Lane SK308811	↔	Old Mercia Path SK310809
SHE43	Sheephill Road SK291832	↔	To SHE 4 in upper Limb Valley SK293834
SHE40	Shorts Lane (West) SK297807	↔	Strawberry Lee Lane SK297802
SHE39	Shorts Lane (East) SK298809	↔	Avenue Farm SK300804
SHE229	Old Hay Lane SK305806	↔	SHE230 SK306802
SHE231	Old Hay Lane SK303803	↔	Old Hay Lane SK303805
SHE439	Old Hay Lane SK304802	↔	SHE232 SK303803
SHE234	The Meadway SK305812	↔	Townhead Road SK305811
SHE691	The Spinney SK301811	↔	Dore Recreation Ground SK302811
SHE233	Totley Brook Road SK314803	↔	The Quadrant SK312801

Unregistered Dore Paths being applied for by the council

DVS1	Abbeydale Park Rise SK315810	↔	Burlington Road SK315811
DVS2	Causeway Gardens SK304816	↔	Causeway Glade SK304816
DVS3	Causeway Head Rd (N) SK306814	↔	Rushley Road SK307814
DVS4	Causeway Head Rd (S) SK306814	↔	Rushley Road SK307814
DVS5	Dore Road SK308813	↔	Vicarage Lane SK309811
DVS6	Dore Road SK309813	↔	Dore Hall Croft SK309812
DVS7	Durvale Court SK312807	↔	Wyvern Gardens SK312808
DVS8	Gillyfield Avenue SK311810	↔	Savage Lane SK310810

Not registered - possibly to be applied for by DVS

DVS9	Kings Coppice SK308805	↔	Totley Brook Way SK308804
DVS13	Old Hay Lane SK304803	↔	To SHE229 at various points SK305804
DVS14	Shorts Lane via SHE39 SK298809	↔	Rejoins SHE39 SK299807
DVS15	Abbeydale Road South SK321809	↔	Ashfurlong Road SK318812

The Rowmaps website is very good for checking information about registered paths. You simply visit www.rowmaps.com and search for Dore (or wherever else you want). Use the +/- buttons at the top left of the map to zoom in and out. You can hold the mouse down and then drag the mouse if you wish to move to a different part of the map. And, if you are using an up-to-date version of Chrome/Firefox/Opera, you can use the resize handle on the bottom right of the map to enlarge it.

There you will see all known registered paths marked by red lines. If you click on a red line, its status information will appear.

Unfortunately this doesn't work with all web browsers, particularly Apple's Safari. It works fine with current versions of Chrome, Firefox and Opera.

Unrecorded Rights of Way in Dore

In the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, there is a clause that states that footpaths must be recorded by 2026 to continue to carry public rights of way. This also contained a provision that will extinguish those rights if the paths have not been properly recorded by that time. Almost all of the known footpaths hereabouts are already registered but there are a couple shown on the two maps below that the DVS is considering applying for and to do that, we need evidence of usage by anybody who has walked them by emailing us a brief description of regularity and period of usage to

dorefootpaths@protonmail.com.

There is a list of all known registered paths in the DVS Area of Benefit on the left here, or DVS website dorevillage.co.uk/pages/footpaths.

It is NOT a definitive list yet but gives an opportunity to submit suggestions of any others that we may have missed. The Dore Area of Benefit can be seen at dorevillage.co.uk/pages/dore-village-society-area-of-benefit.

Please note that we are not dealing with any paths wholly inside the Peak District.

Geoff Birtles



Above: Off Old Hay Lane are several well used footpaths (shown as white dashed lines) crossing rough ground to join the existing footpath SHE 229 (marked in red) which is itself on council land. We want to hear from regular users of the paths marked by the white dashed lines.

Below: About 100 yards down Shorts Lane, there is a stile on the left which leads into a field. Footpath SHE 39 shown in red immediately turns right through a gateway and down the adjoining field. However if you stay in the first field and go down to the bottom corner, there is a stile beyond which is a well used path which follows the stream down to another stile over which you rejoin SHE 39.





Local Specialist Advisers in

- Wills
- Inheritance mitigation
- Trusts
- Lasting Power of Attorney

3Sixty Estate Planning Ltd prides itself on its ability to offer its clients the highest standard in professional estate planning, given by friendly, qualified advisors at an affordable price. Best of all, initial consultations are free of charge and free from obligation, and we can offer appointments either in our prestigious offices in Hathersage, over the phone or via video call.

We appreciate writing a will can be a sensitive matter and we always work hard to treat our customers with care and compassion, no matter your personal circumstances.

To book an appointment visit www.3sixtyep.co.uk or call **0114 360 360 0**



101 Furniss Avenue,
Dore, Sheffield
S17 3QN

The Dovecote,
Hathersage Hall Business Centre,
Main Rd, Hathersage S32 1BB



Ringlinglow Archery

www.ringlinglow-archery.co.uk
Archery & Target Sports Centre

FUN, CHALLENGING, REWARDING... TRY IT!

- Archery for all ages from 8yrs
- Regular Archery Shoots & Competitions
- Air Gun & Crossbow Shooting
- Axe & Knife Throwing
- Group & Party Bookings
- All Weather Facilities
- Gift Vouchers



For Bookings & Enquiries

📧 ringlinglowarchery@gmail.com or ☎️ 0114 230 3347



Ringlinglow Archery & Target Sports Centre, Smeltings Farm, Ringlinglow Road, Sheffield S11 7TD.



The Practice Rooms,
5 Broomfield Road,
Sheffield S10 2SE
Tel 07760 624089

Back Pain, Sciatica,
Neck Pain, Shoulder Pain,
Sports Injuries, Arthritis,
Muscular Sprain/Strains
Colic/Migraines/Headaches



Registered Member of
The British Chiropractic Association



DORE SCHOOL
OF PERFORMANCE ARTS

TEACHING THE
DANCERS OF
TOMORROW



DANCE SCHOOLS

Church Hall, Townhead Road, S17 3GA
Dore & Totley United Reform Church, Sheffield, S17 3QS
Call Kate Riley on 07790464770 or visit our website
www.doreschoolofperformancearts.com



Only £895 for
a fully fitted
electric door.

Gotta get a Garolla.

NOW ONLY
£895 MAX £1384
INC VAT

WARRANT INCLUDED WITH EVERY DOOR.
FREE EXHIBIT MEASURING & FITTING
TWO REMOTE CONTROLS
ACOUSTIC & THERMAL INSULATION
AVAILABLE IN 21 COLOURS
FREE DISPOSAL OF YOUR OLD DOOR

Offer valid for openings up to 2.6m wide & inc. 2 remote controls, 55mm white slats, internal manual override.

Garolla garage doors are strong and solidly built. They're made to measure in our own UK factories. The electric Garolla door rolls up vertically taking up only 8 inches inside your garage. Our expert installers will fit your new door and take away the old one so there's no mess.

Give us a call today and we'll come and measure up completely Free.



GOTTA GET A GAROLLA

CALL US TODAY

0114 345 0246

MOBILE

07537 149 128

www.garolla.co.uk

Casting a Clout – and doing it in reverse

Whose side are you on – the month or the hawthorn bush or tree? With another equinox just passed where day and night were of equal length, we realise that there's no proverbial advice for putting the clouts back on again. We'll be all right in the Spring with the vernal equinox in March and the advice "Till May be out, Ne'er cast a clout" [in its original form]. These days it usually gets reversed to "Ne'er cast a clout till May be out". It certainly goes back over three centuries and its origin, unconfirmed, is claimed by the Scots who, it has to be said, often enjoy different weather from those of us further south. But are we talking about the end of the month of May or the many "may" names for the hawthorn, may-thorn, may-bush, or may-tree? As the original saying in the Oxford English Dictionary uses the capital 'M', I think I'm on the side of the month. So far as I know, Cambridge haven't yet expressed a view on the matter. Farmers have long said that to shear sheep in May you'll shear them away. As for the song that talks about "Here we go gathering nuts in May", you'll only find nuts in May in the supermarket. The nuts of the song are actually "knots" or bunches or posies of small flowers such as hawthorn flowers which can easily be found and gathered in May. In medieval times in France, a man would propose to his dearly beloved by leaving a whole hawthorn branch by her door on the first day of May. If the branch was left in position, it meant that the proposal was accepted. If not, the branch which was the result of this outrageous Gallic arboreal vandalism probably ended up as firewood! The French had their own proverb which translates as "Don't take anything off in April, but in May do as you please". One of their rhymes includes the line "Button to chin 'til May be in." Mind you, they're further south. Back in Stratford-upon-Avon, Shakespeare's Sonnet 18 talks about "Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May". So if it's that windy it's probably best to keep the clouts on.

I can remember my mother getting very anxious about me bringing home flowers from local red hawthorn trees - a lot of them had been planted in the streets of the borough. I was

30 (and 125) years ago

The below article appeared in Dore to Door issue 21, Spring 1991

The Good Old Days?

While sitting by the fire in a centrally heated home during the recent exceptionally cold weather, I was looking through some copies of Old Dore Parish magazines. I found the following passage, written in March 1895 by the Reverend W.R. Gibson, particularly poignant-

"Nature, this winter, has seemed to have had it all her own way, despite all the science brought to bear in making houses waterproof and otherwise comfortable. To be without water and gas is a calamity, which is a little unbecoming to the century we live in, and we are yet compelled to wait with patience the inevitable end of the chapter which may possibly be accompanied with more water than is pleasant indoors. There are many in our parish who are not able to stand against the hardship which accompany a prolonged frost, and for these, relief is now being provided."

Although it is not possible to attribute deaths for that period directly to the cold weather, the burial list does indicate an above average rate of infant mortality for 1895.

February 1st - Alice Thorpe, 7 months

February 4th - Harry Reaney, 5 months

February 8th - Frances Ward, 20 years

February 10th- Selina Ward, 41 years

The lack of water may have been a temporary problem, as in February 1905, the Rev. Gibson reported on recent progress in the village:-

told in no uncertain terms that hawthorn or May flowers were absolutely not allowed in the house at any time. This followed the ancient and longstanding belief that illness and death wouldn't be far behind if you did so. There is a chemical called trimethylamine found in hawthorn blossom which makes it smell of decaying animal carcase, and this characteristic reminded people of the Great (bubonic) Plague of 1665 and 1666. So the blossom is best left on the tree, and around 300 insect varieties will thank you for doing so. So, too, will the birds who eat the berries later in the year. That said, some communities will allow hawthorn blossom in the home, but only for the day on the 1st of May as a part of May Day festivities.

"Clout" in its many spellings goes back to at least the 14th century. Clute, clowt, cloot, clut, cloute, clowte and clotes all refer to some form of clothing. Confusingly, they can also mean a small fragment of cloth, a clod of earth or clotted cream, a type of nail, a plate of iron, the sail of a ship, an archery target, swaddling clothes or a verb to describe mending something wearable with a patch. Just as keen on exactly when to cast the clout were the Danes with their "klud", the Swedes with their "klut", the Gaelic speakers with "cluid" and the Welsh with "clwt". The Scots, of course, make "cloutie dumplings", boiled dried fruit puddings wrapped in a "clout" or cloth for boiling.

With global warming we might now be casting clouts well before the end of May – and then having to put them all back on again when we realise that frosts are still possible to the end of May and, rarely, into early June. But what do we do about clouts at the autumnal equinox in late September? It's just passed, and it's 20 degrees so what do we do? And how do we refer to the process – don them, put them back on, slip into them or what? I think there's a need for another autumnal proverb. In the meantime, the best advice in the words of Jeremy Paxman is to just look outside and dress accordingly.

Mike Peart

"Water was supplied by the Sheffield Corporation in 1891, and gas lamps illuminated the dark winter nights outside on the roads, and superseded the oil lamps in the houses in 1900.

"And yet, with all the improvements mentioned, and others we hope to write about next month, we feel ourselves still to be living in an old world village, with no system of drainage, with a scarcity of houses, keeping our population almost at a dead level, with no public means of locomotion nearer than a long weary mile to the Railway Station, and having to tramp it up and down the hill on shanks' mare weary and at times heavy laden".

By August 1907, an agreement had been reached with the Sheffield Corporation, embodying the terms for the provision of drainage to the village.

On January 2nd 1909, the Sheffield Telegraph carried the following observation:-

"Dore is developing. In many ways the amenities of this charming village are being improved, and its popularity as a residential adjunct of Sheffield is bound to grow.

The latest innovation is a public telephone which has been installed at the railway station, and which will meet a decided want in the community. That the inhabitants are thoroughly up-to-date is being shown in many different ways."

In February 1905, the Rev. Gibson had longed for change:-

"We wonder how soon in this 20th century changes will arrive, and a better state of affairs be established?"

The village has certainly gained a lot in facilities and comforts since then, but what has it lost?

HEARING THERAPY Ltd
Hearing & Tinnitus Care



Are you suffering from hearing loss?

Get in touch with your local clinical audiologist expert today!



Our Services
Hearing Tests
Tinnitus Treatment
Hearing Aids
Ear Cleaning

Bupa & CQC Registered

To book an appointment at our Dore clinic, or for further details:

0114 349 3326

hearingtherapy.co.uk
info@hearingtherapy.co.uk

ROASTOLOGY
COFFEE ROASTERS

great taste great taste great taste

MADE IN SHEFFIELD

★★★★★

AWARD WINNING FRESHLY ROASTED COFFEE DELIVERED TO YOUR DOOR

SHOP ONLINE
WWW.CAFEOLGY.COM

Also available:
Dore Cafe, Caffe D'Amour & The Village Greens

FIRS FARM SHOP
Ringinglow Rd S11 7TD

Home reared Beef, Lamb – joints, steaks etc
Christmas Geese & Turkeys

Home made sausages, burgers & Home cured bacon
Eggs & potatoes

Open Thursdays 1pm-5pm
Fridays & Saturdays
9am until 5pm

Tel **01142301169**

www.firsfarmsheffield.co.uk

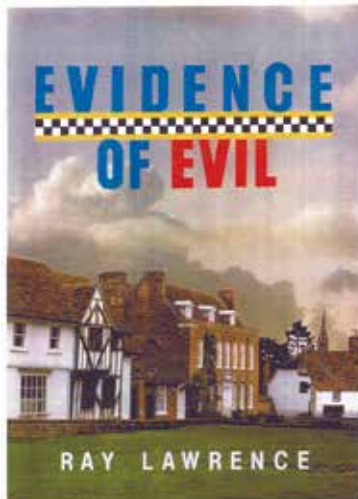
G9DESIGN
CHARTERED ARCHITECTS

Award winning architectural design,
from concept to completion.

arb Architects Registration Board

RIBA Chartered Practice

Tel : (01433) 651 335 • info@g9design.com
Brookfield Lodge, Main Road, Hathersage, S32 1BB.



Evidence of Evil by Ray Lawrence
 ASIN B08Y7VT6S5
 Softback, 577pp
 Available from Amazon
 £12.98 / Kindle edition £7.18
 or free with Kindle Unlimited.

I've realised during my years of editing this magazine that Sheffield 17 is home to quite a number of authors. I don't include myself among them; what I do is no more than journalism, and my commitment to that only extends until each magazine is finished. I don't have the dedication to pursue anything

so long and potentially complicated as a whole book.

I know local people who have written books on all sorts of subjects. Some are technical and about things that only those in a particular field would even understand. Some are autobiographical, others historical, and where that history is local then reviews of the books have sometimes featured in this magazine.

The most difficult kind of author to track down is the writer of fiction, and I suspect that this is because they tend to be shy, retiring types who prefer their keyboards to speak for them. They are also more likely to write pseudonymically. I read what I thought was an excellent book a few years ago, and whilst I was assured that the author lived in Dore, he/she had written under a pen name and I never managed to find out who they were. This was a shame as the book has now disappeared from Amazon and the author doesn't appear to have written anything else since.

But I digress. A Dore author whom I've known for a number of years, Ray Lawrence, has now diversified into full-length crime novels. He has been writing for years, books of humorous poetry being notable, and he has also written for the stage. I came to know him when his wife, Kath, was Membership Secretary of DVS for several years.

Evidence of Evil is a straight 'police procedural' where crimes are solved by the senior detective, accompanied by a trusty sidekick, included so that said senior detective has someone to discuss the crime with. This is not the way that crimes are actually solved, and murder investigations typically involve many, many more people. But in fiction it is universally necessary to reduce the size of the incident room so that readers don't get hopelessly lost. Holmes had his Watson, Morse had Lewis, and in this case Detective Chief Inspector Jacqueline Caine has her colleague Detective Sergeant Mark Dolby.

The book opens with the murder, or murders. A husband and wife are dead in circumstances which suggest murder-suicide, but some of the evidence doesn't look right, doesn't feel right to Caine and Dolby.

The story follows the investigation as police interview those connected, several of whom appear to have more than a little reason for being involved. The information comes in randomly and with no sequence, much as it would in real life. The reader becomes engaged with trying to work out who is telling the truth. And of those who are lying, which of them are doing so because of their involvement in the crime, eliminating those who are lying for other reasons.

The investigation takes a number of twists and turns. We learn that Jacqui's police officer husband was murdered some 25 years earlier, but is that somehow linked with this case?

I'm going to stop there for fear of giving out any spoilers, but suffice it to say that the story holds together well, there are twists and turns in the plot to satisfy any armchair detective, and if you manage to work out who is guilty well, you did better than I.

I mentioned that Ray has written other books (if you enjoy this one then a sequel to *Evidence of Evil* is already available), and there are several books of his humorous poetry for sale via Amazon. He writes under his real name and, against the advice of Dr. Johnson, he does not write for money. All proceeds from his book sales are donated to St Luke's, a worthy cause which any of us might need one day.

Christmas is coming - would anyone on your Christmas present list like a book?

John Eastwood

Your Invitation to Free Weekly Dore Health Walks



Sue Lee, Chair of Step Out Sheffield, with walkers and volunteer walk leaders

Come and join us on any Tuesday morning for a walk - come rain or shine. We meet at Christ Church Community Centre (in the backroom) on Townhead Road, postcode S17 3GB, in time to walk at 10.30am. Free parking is available.

There is a choice of a long walk and a short walk each week. The long walk is about an hour long and the short walk is about 30 minutes. We walk according to the ability of our walkers, but the long walk may include some stiles and steps which are unavoidable if we want to explore the lovely countryside around Dore, including Topley Brook and Blackamoor. There are plenty of alternative routes though which don't include stiles or steps, but still give us lovely views.

It's free, you don't need to book and you don't need any special equipment, although dressing to suit the weather is advisable along with shoes you are comfortable walking in and are happy to get a bit muddy! There's coffee and biscuits in the community centre afterwards for which we ask a nominal fee of £1.50.

The Dore Health Walks are run by a friendly bunch of volunteer trained walk leaders who wear yellow jackets. If you're not sure and need more information, you can pop along and try us out or just pop along for the coffee at 11.30am to find out more. You could also telephone the Step Out Sheffield helpline on 07505 639524 for more information.

The Dore Health Walks group is one of the groups in the Step Out Sheffield Walking Programme which was accredited by Ramblers Walking for Health and is now part of Wellbeing Walks, the national Health Walk scheme which is administered by The Ramblers.

Lucia Contrino
 Volunteer Walk Leader, Step Out Sheffield



HIGH TREES CLINIC

Private Dental and Medical Clinic located in Dore

NEW PATIENTS WELCOME

PRICES START FROM £50.00



DENTAL

- Routine Dental Appointments
- Restorative Treatment
- Fixed braces and Clear aligners
- Teeth Whitening
- Composite Bonding and Veneers
- Emergency Appointments



MEDICAL THERAPIES

- Private GP and Nurse Appointments
- Travel and occupational health vaccinations
- Steroid injection for joints
- Blood tests and analysis
- Medical forms and Private Referrals
- Surgical removal of small lumps and bumps



Tel: 0114 349 3326

37 Townhead Road, Dore, Sheffield, S17 3GD

hightreesclinic@gmail.com www.hightreesclinic.co.uk

Please call or email the clinic for further information or to schedule an appointment

DORE SERVICE STATION

- A Family Business, Established 1954 -

At Dore Service Station we are proud to be known locally for going that extra mile.

- We offer a full range of dealer equivalent motor vehicle services including **M.O.T** tests, small and comprehensive **services** and **diagnostics**.
- We often have a range of **used cars** for sale and can provide a **car search service** for customers if they have a particular car in mind they want to purchase.
- We provide an emergency local recovery and **breakdown** service.
- Can arrange a **free reminder call** when your car's service and M.O.T are due.
- **FREE MINI VALET WITH M.O.T AND SERVICES**
- **FREE COLLECTION & DELIVERY***
- **Courtesy car** available.

Call to book your car in today or come in to speak to one of our members of staff, we'll be more than happy to help!

Dore Service Station Ltd. 12 Townhead Rd, Dore,
Sheffield. S17 3GA. 01142364691
doregarage@btconnect.com



GWS

Technology Solutions



PC Problems, Repairs, Servicing, Setup No Job Too Small
Wireless & Internet Setup Apple Macs Data Transfer
New PCs, Laptops, Upgrades Tuition Safe PC Disposal
Tablets, iPads, iPhone, Setup & Tuition Smart TV, Media box
Wireless/Airprint printers Wireless/ Internet boosters

**** For All Your PC & Technology Needs ****

Guy Senior

Phone: 0114 2352662 Mobile: 07890030453

Email: guy@gwstech.co.uk

Web: www.gwstech.co.uk

GWS, 5 Conalan Avenue, Bradway, Sheffield S17 4PG

Hinchcliffe Decorators

Where Quality Work Comes as Standard

- Professional, reliable service
- Interior, Exterior work
- Commercial work undertaken
- Fully Insured, locally based
- Family run business

Specialists in all types of decoration

Contact Ian on:-

0114 262 0584 or 07977 956979

www.hinchcliffedecorators.co.uk

Thanks to You Dore has a Plan!

Many congratulations to the Dore Community for having reached its goal after well over five years' effort to prepare and have validated its Dore Neighbourhood Plan.

The Dore Village Society was very foresighted to produce as long ago as 2005 a Village Design Statement after wide community consultation. It provided a firm base for reacting to planning applications and enquiries, but it had no formal status within the UK planning system. When Parliament passed the Localism Act in 2011 the Society identified a future route by which Dore could translate and develop its earlier thinking into a document which would carry weight in planning circles. It lobbied the City Council and the Peak District National Park Authority to accept that Dore could produce a Neighbourhood Plan under the Regulations for so doing if it qualified to form a Neighbourhood Forum. That Forum was accepted as being the entire membership of the Dore Village Society – well over 1,000 members – making it one of the largest neighbourhood forums in the country.

Back in November 2015 the Forum had its first meeting and appointed a Steering Group (which I was privileged to chair) to do the hard work of consulting in the community, initially through seven working groups, of working with the City and the National Park and of preparing successive drafts of the final plan. At times, for every three steps taken forward, we had to take two steps back as, for example, we publicly invited comments and criticisms of our text or City planners produced obstacles based on the National Planning Policy Framework or the City's own ageing Local Plan. Even as recently as early 2021 we had to make significant amendments to satisfy the appointed independent Examiner of Neighbourhood Plans before the final draft could be put to the electors of Dore in a Referendum.

We were overjoyed to find that the Referendum vote held on 12 August was 93% in favour of accepting the Plan and 7% against. Now how many politicians would salivate for such an endorsement? But we were not politicians, simply concerned and committed local citizens who cared about how this community developed. I ask you to recognise the sterling work carried out by those Steering Group members who stayed the full five year plus course – David Bearpark, David Crosby, Pat Ryan, Keith Shaw and myself – but also Thelma Harvey who sadly died in the late stages and Jen Donnelly who stood down close to the end as she took on the Society chair. But the community's thanks are due to many more of its citizens who attended early focus groups, working groups or public meetings, who responded to questionnaires or produced ideas or constructive comments or who reported on our work through Dore to Door.

Let us be clear about what has been achieved:

1. We are one of only two communities in the whole of Sheffield which has produced and completed a valid Neighbourhood Plan.
2. Our Plan automatically becomes viewed as part of the Local Plans (of the City and the Park) which cover our neighbourhood area, so our policies really count.
3. Already Planning Officers in the City and in the National Park are applying our planning policies as they judge planning applications arising in Dore.
4. We have established the principle that the countryside between developed Dore and the National Park boundary is not only Green Belt, which is created for reasons other than landscape quality, but also the 'setting of a National Park' which should be respected when development is contemplated.

5. We have established that infill housing development in Dore should be of high quality and make a positive contribution to place-making, by respecting local character and characteristics, such as building-lines, plot ratios, local materials and boundary features like stone walls and hedges.
6. We have increased the level of protection for seven of the village's highly valued open spaces by securing their designation as 'local green spaces'.
7. We have sought increased protection for our heritage assets.
8. We have, by achieving an Adopted Neighbourhood Plan, increased the 'neighbourhood portion' of the Community Infrastructure Levy arising on development in Dore from 15% to 25% and this should be spent in Dore.
9. We went beyond establishing new planning policies for Dore and additionally recorded in an Annex to the Plan good ideas which arose from our community debates and consultation for aspirations which needed to be pursued in a separate fashion.

Item 9 is a reminder that one can never rest on one's laurels even when a good job has been done, because sound research not only backs the job that has been done but suggests the community's future aspirations too. And so it is that the Neighbourhood Forum and the Dore Village Society are going to have to consider in the coming months how best to pursue with your support the many aspirations in Annex A to the Plan, such as preparing management plans for those new Local Green Spaces, pressing for improvements in the village centre's environment, by pursuing traffic and parking management improvements, considering a new Conservation Area and other protections for heritage assets.

What we have singularly achieved is to establish that Dore is full of serious people quite capable of taking on a major task and standing up to experts and convincing them. And we can do this again and we must do this again if we are to pursue the agenda for the future of Dore set out in Annex A. We need your help and new volunteers to press the case for Dore. And though we are serious people, we can party too – whether it is on the Green or on the Rec, whether it is swaying to ABBA or cheering medieval knights, whether it is on parade with Christmas candles or eating beef-burgers around a bonfire with fireworks bursting. This is a community which does volunteering, whether it is laboriously picking up litter, driving people to hospital, organising events, studying, recording and archiving our history, or even protecting our street trees through resolute peaceful protest. And all the time we have our activities recorded in our own Dore to Door. Take a bow together!

Christopher Pennell



A1 Plumbing & Bathrooms
Complete Installation Specialist

Info@A1plumbingandbathrooms.co.uk
www.A1plumbingandbathrooms.co.uk

Tel - 07738 688 807

- Plumbing Leaks, Bursts & Blockages
- Taps, showers, Radiators, Etc
- All Tiling And Plastering
- Reliable, Fully Insured & Guaranteed
- No Job Too Small, NVQ Qualified

25 Five Trees Ave, Dore, S17 3LW



SOLD SUBJECT TO CONTRACT

(0114) 3950573

www.stavesestateagents.co.uk

Successfully Selling In Your Area!

We are experiencing overwhelming demand for properties like yours in your area! If you are considering selling, call us today for a free without obligation market appraisal of your home. We have genuine buyers waiting.

Express
Installations

10 YEAR
GUARANTEE

Suppliers and installers of
U-PVC windows and doors

We can expertly install...

- Energy rated uPVC Windows
- Sliding Sash uPVC Windows
- High security uPVC doors
- Sliding and French Doors
- Bi-folding Doors
- GRP Composite Doors
- Solidor Timber Composite Doors
- Conservatories & Porches



Email us now at - pcooke3@sky.com

Or call 07831 167 587



**Autumn and winter tidies.
Regular garden maintenance.
Hedge cutting.
Tree surgery.**

0114 258 9290
james@jabird.co.uk
www.jabird.co.uk

1-5 Buttermere Road
Sheffield S7 2AX

**JA
BIRD
LAND
SCAPES** LTD

Horizon Electrical

*Faults, Rewires, Sockets, Lights,
Cooker Points, Electrical Showers,
Phone Points, Security Lights*

No job too small
Fully qualified with friendly advice

**Ring Totley 236 4364 or
mobile 07772 483154**

September was the seven-year anniversary of Totley CRIC forming as a volunteer-led library and charity. We'd like to thank all our volunteers, members and supporters for their help and commitment during this period. We are looking forward to serving the community for many years to come.

We are all keen to get back to being the community hub we were before the pandemic with many events and activities restarting this Autumn – our first book sale for 18 months took place on Saturday 9 October and went really well, we had a steady stream of people and raised £153.36.

You can still purchase books from our SALES SHELVES which have been restocked, just pop into the library to have a look. We have a good selection of crime, fiction, non-fiction, CDs, DVDs and jigsaws. A minimum donation of just 50p per item is expected.

Community & Library Events

Health Walks resumed in August, Baby Time restarted on Tuesday 14th September and Children's Story Time is currently running craft activities on a different theme each week for young children and accompanying adults in the library on Wednesday mornings. There is no need to book for these events but due to limited numbers please visit our website www.totleycric.org.uk for times and further information on attending.

Totley Library Cinema

Our film programme will restart with three screenings between October and December. Tickets (which are free) can be booked in person at the library or by calling 0114 236 3971. These are socially distanced events limited to 20 seats, with hand sanitising and masks encouraged.

The first film is Paddington 2 on Sunday 31 October at 2pm, followed by a Thursday matinee of Downton Abbey on 18 November and a Friday evening screening of Everybody's Talking About Jamie on 10 December at 7pm. We anticipate a return to our regular film programme in 2022.

Covid Measures

Although all legal restrictions have been removed, the Trustees of Totley CRIC understand that many people coming to community events will be taking cautious steps towards "normality" and are keen to provide an environment that feels safe to groups using the Library.

We have done a risk assessment to ensure a safe basic environment but groups hiring the Library will need to carry out their own risk assessments in relation to the conduct of their meetings. Following two trial events the Trustees have decided that bookings can now be taken for community events outside of Library opening hours but are recommending that attendance at seated events is limited to 30 people and that attendees be asked to wear face coverings.

Takdir

Indian Take-Away

Opening Hours:

Evenings 5pm -10.30pm
7 days a week
Including Bank Holidays

Free Home Delivery

within 3 miles radius
minimum order £10

We cater for parties and
Deliver right to your doorstep

Tel: 262 1818

339 Ecclesall Road South
Parkhead, Sheffield S11 9PW
www.takdirtakeaway.co.uk



Lost Books & Fines

Sheffield City Council have extended the exemption on council book fines until 31/12/21. Totley Library are doing the same for Totley Loans (Orange Sticker books). During the pandemic, with libraries closed for an extended period of time, many users were unable to return books as usual - some are still missing. Please help us by having a good look around your home for any long overdue library books and return them to the library as soon as possible. There are no fines on any books that were taken out after March 2020, but lost books will incur a charge unless a replacement copy is produced.

New Book Purchases

October was Black History Month 2021 and celebrated key figures across the UK who have made substantial contributions to the country. At Totley library there is a dedicated book section curated in response to Black Lives Matter and our Children's Section has a range of books celebrating famous People of Colour.

We have also added a substantial number of new fiction, large print and audiobooks to our Orange Sticker collection. We would love to hear more from library members on books to purchase. If you'd like to make a suggestion for a new book, we have added a section to our website for your recommendations at <http://www.totleycric.org.uk/suggest-a-new-book/>. Just fill it in with a book title and author and press submit.

Current Opening Hours

We have extended our opening hours on Wednesdays and are now open all day from 10-5pm. We are also open for browsing on Mondays 2-5pm and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday between 10am-1pm. We are continuing to encourage the use of masks and hand sanitising. Three of our computers are available for use - sessions need to be booked in advance by telephoning the Library on 0114 236 3971 during opening hours and toilet facilities have re-opened for library users.

We continue to monitor the numbers in the Adult and Children's sections and at busy times a queuing system may be in operation to maintain social distancing. So far, however, we have not had to introduce a queueing system at any of our sessions. By and large our library users have respected our social distancing guidelines and the majority have worn face coverings and used hand sanitisers provided.

You can search, reserve and renew books online at www.sheffield.gov.uk/libraries.

Click the link to "My Account" to review what you have out or on reserve, or to renew items on loan.

Do keep an eye on our website www.totleycric.org.uk and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/TotleyLibrary/> which is the easiest way to find out about upcoming events.

Norman Rolfe

bannerjones
solicitors

**We know that
writing a Will can
bring real peace
of mind.**



Let us help. We're here for you, however you need us. Flexible appointments are available over the phone, face to face or at your home, call 01246 511 295.

SILVERDALE
GARDEN SERVICES
Specialists in all aspects of professional tree surgery

- Trees re-shaped/felled
- Stump removal & grinding
- Hedges & shrubs cut, reduced, or removed
- Garden & site clearance
- Section felling
- Gale-damaged trees made safe
- Pruning & dead-wooding
- Firewood logs & wood chippings for sale
- Gardens tidied
- Grass cutting
- Garden rubbish removal
- On site log splitting

Card payments accepted

For a free price estimate contact Bill Bingham

0114 236 0592 ♦ 077674 92645

Fully insured & safety conscious

CW Roofing
New Roofs • Repairs • General Maintenance

Telephone: 0114 236 3455
Mobile: 07966 011825
Dalewood Road, Beauchief

MARTYN FOSTER ELECTRICAL

We provide a wide range of high quality electrical services and pride ourselves in our reliable, diligent, clean & tidy approach

- 24hour Call outs
- Re-wire specialists
- Upgrades
- New consumer units
- Smoke detectors
- Security alarms
- Phone/Internet points
- Door entry systems
- Heating controls
- Fault finding
- Inspection & testing
- Maintenance

All work certified, insured & guaranteed

Please call us to discuss your requirements

0114 258 9201
info@martynfosterelectrical.co.uk

Cricket chat

If you are a cricket devotee SCL is the best value subscription in South Yorkshire.

There are no 30-yard run ups, or boundaries struck at *Sheffield Cricket Lovers* meetings, but an appreciation of the game is still keenly felt 60 years after its formation.

Listening to a strong batting line-up of speakers or chatting to fellow enthusiasts couldn't be easier - or cheaper!

Speaker evenings - every two or three weeks - are held between September and March at Lees Hall Golf Club, Sheffield S8 8LL. Membership is only £15 per year, which also includes a Yearbook, surely a good deal in anybody's language.

Throw in a couple of reasonably priced Pie and Pea Supper Speaker evenings and your cricket evenings are well catered for. It's a relaxed, informal setting in which Speakers deliver their talks - or are interviewed - and take part in a Q & A afterwards.

A wide range of cricket related topics ensure humour is a regular ingredient amidst tales from the middle, the nets, the village greens and the press box. And don't underestimate how interesting some less obvious cricket topics can be!

Coming up before Christmas are...

- Nov 2 Jonathan Doidge, Freelance Sports Journalist.
- Nov 17 **Pie & Pea Supper** with Phillip Defreitas.
- Dec 1 Chris O'Brien, Author.
- Dec 15 **Christmas Lunch** with Dennis Amiss.

Post-Christmas speakers include...

- 7 Feb Grahame Lloyd.
- 8 March **Pie & Pea Supper** with Bill Athey.

Try us free for an evening - ring Andy Pack on 07968 118 278 to arrange a warm welcome, or simply turn up and introduce yourself.

SCL was formed by David Drabble and his father in 1960 who managed to obtain the services of then Yorkshire CCC skipper Norman Yardley as guest speaker. The Drabbles set a high bar in attracting big names and honorary officials now include President Sir Michael Parkinson, CBE, and Vice Presidents in Aussie legend Dennis Lillee, MBE, and Sir Tim Rice.

Over the years guests including Dickie Bird, Brian Clough, Brian Johnston, Godfrey Evans, David Willey, Farokh Engineer, Geoff Boycott, Rachael Heyhoe Flint, Derek Randall and Emlyn Hughes attended SCL events. Many of them signed commemorative cloths which have been embroidered permanently for display.



Ted Hemsley (right) in full flow, being interviewed by the author

Our speakers in the curtailed Covid season were...

Ted Hemsley, former Worcestershire CC all-rounder and Sheffield United footballer, who amused and fascinated with tales of his sporting life - marking George Best during the winter and facing Michael Holding in the summer. What a life!

Steve Dolman's book 'In their own Words' about Derbyshire CCC and some its stalwarts was the basis of his delightful talk about some great characters.

Kevin Howells is a BBC cricket commentator. He offered forthright, well considered thoughts about cricket issues past and present, always with the good of the game at the forefront.

Yorkshire batsman and England International **Adam Lyth** loves all formats of the game and wants to add to his seven Test caps. He is the only Yorkshire player to score a double hundred and carry his bat throughout the same innings.

Derek Pringle was a Test all-rounder well qualified to offer opinions. After debuting for England whilst still at Cambridge University, he had to try and oust Ian Botham whilst part of the all-conquering 1980s Essex side.

Cricket writer **Jeremy Lonsdale** engagingly described the impact of the First World War on cricket in Yorkshire from 1914-20 from his book, 'A Game Sustained'. The War brought the game to its knees but eventually brought about welcome change.

Simon Hughes described facing Malcolm Marshall as 'frightening' and his biggest disappointment having Geoff Boycott caught - off a no ball. Now editor of The Cricketer, he reckons that cricketers today need talent, fitness... and a good autograph!

Acclaimed broadcaster/author **Patrick Murphy** described his best cricketing XI - in batting order - from the hundreds of cricketers he had interviewed, along with revealing and amusing insights most of us wouldn't get to know.

Whilst cricket loves to revere players and games from yesteryear, the future of the game has to be shaped and preserved. Yorkshire CCC's **Gareth Davies** outlined his initiatives to popularise the game and offer playing opportunities.

Andy Pack

Website: sheffieldcricketlovers.org.uk

Twitter: @scloverssociety

KEEP IT LOCAL

Six great reasons why you should take your car to Red Lion Garage

1. Fully guaranteed servicing, repairs and diagnostics on all vehicle makes and models using the very latest diagnostic and test equipment
2. MOT testing for all cars, Class 7 vans and campervans
3. Main dealer level support which does not affect your vehicle's warranty
4. All the convenience of using a garage close to where you live... and at prices below those of main dealers
5. We are a family-run business offering an honest, reliable, high quality service... and free advice on all aspects of motoring
6. Customers have the comfort of knowing that every job is supported by the strength and resources of the Tavern Group

"I'm Phil from Red Lion Garage and I know that when you need an MOT, Service or Repair to your vehicle, you have a choice - the main dealer, a big garage group or your local garage".

So why spend more than you have to? Do what our customers do... bring your car to us. All our six garages offer the same quality service.

TavernGarageGroup
 32-36 Broadfield Rd,
 Sheffield, S8 0XJ
 Tel: 0114 2551619

To book a service or MOT call us on 0114 2551619 or you can book online at www.taverngaragegroup.co.uk

ATTENTION: FOR THE HOMEOWNERS WITH A LITTLE EXTRA TO INSURE

HOW TO GET THE RIGHT INSURANCE COVER FOR YOUR HIGH VALUE HOME BY SPEAKING TO CASTILLO HOME

This is an open letter to anyone planning to renew their home insurance, whether you have questions about the cover you have or the cover you need we can help.



Homeowners can find that they do not have the right level of insurance cover for their home and contents, there is a need for higher levels of cover where items of value are to be covered, such as artwork, collectables, and jewellery.

As part of the larger Etico Group, Castillo Home is an independent insurance broker, based locally in Sheffield. Our experience and insurer relationships enable us to source and tailor home insurance policies from a wide range of specialist insurance providers, meaning we can get the cover you need at competitive rates.

A standard home insurance policy can have a single article limit as low as £1,000 and may only provide cover whilst your items are at home, following a review we can look to arrange cover for your higher value items, and can adjust the limits according to your requirements.

Assessing the value of your contents can

be quite a task, if you were to consider the total value of all items in your home, items including furniture, clothes, jewellery, musical instruments and artwork to mention a few, all need to be taken into consideration and the amounts can soon mount up when calculated.

The potential to leave yourself exposed in the unfortunate event that you need to make a claim can be greatly increased if the policy does not meet your actual needs.

With over 25 years of insurance broking expertise, our promise is to offer a no obligation review of your existing home and contents insurance, you will speak with one of our friendly and knowledgeable insurance consultants, our simple setup is focussed on providing a high level of service.

We want to give you clear information about the products we offer, helping you to make informed decisions on the insurance you purchase.

We want to give you clear information about the products we offer, helping you to make informed decisions on the insurance you purchase.

Should you need to make a claim against your policy we will be here to guide you through the process and assist you along the way, on hand to answer any questions and ease you through the claims process.

Our select panel of specialist underwriters give us the access to compare cover and premiums from specialist high value home insurers, but it is not just your high value home we can look after for you, we also have access to a panel of specialist prestige motor and family fleet insurers which compliment our home products.

You can start your review by visiting our website www.castillohome.co.uk/d2d or call us on 0800 055 4006.

Get your no obligation quotation today!

The Totlely Swift Group is doing a wonderful job establishing more swift boxes in the area and many homeowners are having them fitted to their houses. I was not surprised to hear that swift numbers are significantly reduced. The reason given was the loss of insects both during their flight from Africa and here too.



Purple loosestrife (August onwards)

Two years ago I had four swift boxes put up in a row, as they like to be close together, but so far no occupants. I did see a small flock fly past the end of my road heading for Dore, and am thinking of putting a sign pointing up my road: 'DES RES FOR SWIFTS'.

I was also delighted to read about the proposed wildflower meadows in the church grounds on Totlely Hall Lane. They should look wonderful in time and, while near the centre of the old village, they will also be near to Gillfield Wood which is a haven for wildlife itself and they will complement each other very well.

The television programme "Gardeners' World" may be getting a little more environmentally-friendly. In a recent programme viewers were advised not to kill slugs as they can help to control aphids which can do so much damage. An important point and, hopefully, there will be further environmentally-friendly advice in the future.

In my garden, the plants in the patio border excelled themselves this year, with various species of bees visiting all day and in large numbers. The newly-introduced vipers bugloss with its tiny blue flowers was very popular, even with the larger bumble bees, along with the small scabious and marjoram. Hedge woundwort (a shade-loving plant) had seeded alongside in a very sunny spot and was extremely popular. It had also seeded elsewhere, so I removed those seed heads. Enough is enough!

When I first started to garden in an organic and environmentally-friendly way, one of the plants I chose was betony. It is very good for bees. However, this year, it bloomed later than normal, probably affected by the weather, and the flowers were not their normal bright red/purple, nor did they last as long as usual. Hopefully, it will be better next year.

Coincidentally, there was an article about betony in the spring edition of *Plantlife*, where it is described as a 'class act' as it is very fussy about being in the best of habitats. The writer was conservation consultant Andy Byfield. He had found it on the Berkshire Downs racehorse gallops! Not the safest place to be, but he survived to write the article. The Downs are chalk-based, whereas my garden soil is clay-based, but betony is happy on either as long as the soil is healthy. Andy was certain that while he had found a large number of betony plants in a 50-acre patch

of grassland, along with other wild flowers, it was 'a rare fragment of intact plateau downland, of a grassland type now gone from our landscape.' The fact that it had survived was because of its use for racehorse training!

There were a few more butterflies here this year which is encouraging. They included the tiny but delightful orange tip butterflies, which had adapted to the new position of the garlic mustard (whose leaves support their caterpillars) in the border on the right of the garden. Others that came later were the small and large whites, small tortoiseshells that like the nettles, and a gate keeper. However, gardens could be supporting a lot more if we planted more native flowers.

One of the pleasures of writing articles for local magazines is that when friends from my childhood and teenage years who have moved away from the area years ago but still like to hear what is going on in the area in which they had lived, realise that they know me and get in touch. One friend, who now lives in Cornwall, is very kindly sending me helpful newspaper cuttings on invasive species.

This problem is serious. There are over a thousand different invasive plant species, e.g. rhododendrons, buddleia, Himalayan balsam and Japanese rose, and animals include European rabbits, grey squirrels, Canadian crayfish and Muntjac deer. The government is intending to stop the import of all foreign plants and animals. It is clearly not good that they are here. They interrupt the balance of nature and take up land that could be supporting native species. If you have such a plant, try and persuade yourself to remove it. There are so many native species which are very attractive and better for our wildlife. The prettiest flower arrangement I ever saw was years ago at Hope Show - forget-me-nots in a thimble, which had got a red rosette!

I was delighted when blue tits nested in a bird box on a fence near the top of the garden but we did not see the fledglings emerge. Later the box was removed for cleaning and among the beautifully-constructed nest were the skeletons of five blue tits. The team from Springwatch reported that they are fed on the caterpillars of the winter moth, but the cold wet weather during May had delayed the opening of the buds on oak trees on which the caterpillars depend. Heavy rainfall, that was quite frequent, washed the caterpillars off the branches onto the ground where robins and blackbirds took advantage. Some recent research suggests that birds should be able to support themselves in gardens without the use of feeders, if we plant native species and provide water. It could be much better for all birds and also reduce our carbon footprint as many bird foods come from abroad. I am giving it a try for now - at least, we have far fewer magpies and pigeons!

Finally, a quote by E B White (author of *Charlotte's Web*):

"I would feel more optimistic about a bright future for man if he spent less time proving he can outwit nature and more time tasting her sweetness and respecting her sincerity".

Marian Tiddy



The beautiful meadow cranesbill (June onwards)

Dore Optician: Now Open

Ian Truelove BSc(Hons) MCOptom Family Optometrist
Personal and Professional eye care for all the family

Ian and Tina Truelove have re-opened Dore Optician and refurbished the practice with the very latest technology.

➔ Hospital-quality 3D OCT imaging allows earlier detection and diagnosis of many eye problems.

➔ Free complete spectacles available for children and all eligible under the NHS.

➔ Home eye tests available if you are unable to leave the house without help.



➔ Digital retinal photography.

➔ ReadEZ: Coloured overlays and Enhanced reading assessments for those with reading difficulties or visual stress.

➔ Hundreds of frames to choose from for all the family, covering a wide range from £10 to designer.

➔ Free NHS and private eye examinations – hourly appointment slots, never feel rushed.

Please contact the practice for more information, or pop in for a chat.

25 Townhead Road, Dore, Sheffield, S17 3GD

Tel: 0114 3273737 Email: enquiries@dore-optician.co.uk Web: dore-optician.co.uk



Providing NHS services and registered with the Association of Optometrists, College of Optometrists, General Optical Council



GasMarkOne

Plumbing & Heating

All aspects of plumbing, heating and gas work undertaken.

- COMBI BOILER INSTALLATION & SERVICING
- SOLAR HEATING
- UNDER FLOOR HEATING
- BOILER & CENTRAL HEATING CHANGING & UPGRADING
- BATHROOM DESIGN & INSTALLATION
- WETROOM
- WATER LEAKS
- ADVICE ON ENERGY SAVING



www.gas-mk-1.co.uk

For a free no obligation quotation call
0114 2307370 07970 498553

Unstone GardenScapes

Let us transform your garden

From concept to completion

Fully insured.
Over 25 years experience.
Portfolio available.

Decking Fencing Patios Turfing Planting
Or just a general tidy up

Call Jason for a free quote
Mobile 07791069360

A Medieval Day in Dore

You could be forgiven for thinking you had stepped back in time to the 14th century on Sunday 12 September, when Dore Village Green was transformed into a medieval settlement for Dore Village Society's Heritage Open Day living history event. As part of the national Heritage Open Days festival, the DVS heritage section worked closely with the reenactors of the Escafeld Medieval Society to bring a glimpse of the past to our local community. And the event was completely free to attend!

Living history events are both educational and enjoyable, and a great way to learn about events and people from the past. Costumed reenactors can provide an authentic window into our social history, and it was clear from the hundreds of people of all ages who attended during the day that everyone enjoyed the event, as the reenactors faithfully recreated the lives of ordinary men and women from that era as well as the knights, squires, lords and ladies, with accurate costumes and real examples of the food and drink which they would have consumed.

Lots of children entered into the spirit of the day, dressing up as medieval knights and ladies, and the reenactors provided children's activities including making real beeswax candles, an unusual and practical souvenir of the event.

There were hands-on activities for all ages, with demonstrations of medieval cookery and fascinating displays of medieval curiosities. A free recipe sheet included instructions on how to make cherry pottage, cabbage chowder and the interestingly-named 'departed creamed fish' and provided interesting historical facts about the

traditional culinary and medicinal uses of hawthorn and anise.

All the activities of the day, and the narrative behind the armed foot tournament in the arena in which knights fought using authentic full-weight weapons, were based around actual historical events which took place locally in the early 12th century. During the Second Barons' War rebellious barons, who had risen up against King Henry, rode into Sheffield led by the appropriately named John de Eyvill, and fought with local knights who were loyal to the monarch. In the process the rebels burned down Sheffield Castle and the parish church (both were subsequently rebuilt, the castle surviving until the English Civil War when it was once again razed to the ground.)

The reenactors also focussed on the life and times of ordinary people who worked in the fields and the farms, back in the day when Beauchief Abbey had recently been constructed, iron-smelting took place locally, and there were several mills along the River Sheaf.

The DVS Heritage section seeks to put on events both large and small which connect people to the heritage of our local area, and this includes history talks as well as larger events such as this. I'm hoping to start the talks up again in the new year if a suitable venue can be found, so do keep a look out for posters on the local notice boards with details. DVS history talks are always open to everyone, you don't need to be a member of any group or society to attend. I look forward to seeing you at a DVS heritage event in 2022!

Janet Ridler

Party on the Rec

The families of Dore showed up in their hundreds to enjoy an unusual seasonable sunny afternoon show at our new site on the Dore Recreational ground.

The show commenced at 1pm with local entertainers Peter Hayes and Andy Blanchard performing well known classic songs, followed by Steve Delaney who is no stranger to a Dore audience. To those old enough to remember the Dore Gala shows held outside the village public houses, he performed there with his group The Sharp Cuts.

Steve soon had the audience singing along with many well-loved songs.

The Rat Pack tribute show heralded Craig Daniels to the stage performing those classic songs by Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Sammy Davis Jr. with an impromptu performance without a microphone or musical backing as the power was cut with a failed generator. He had the audience singing along as the on-site engineers established a new power source, (courtesy of very kind neighbours).

Next to the stage came local rising star Max Restaino, the award-winning singer/songwriter & multi-instrumentalist. The young star from Dore has performed alongside some of the biggest names in music including Gary Barlow, Donny Osmond, Tears For Fears, UB40, Steps & Peter Andre. Performing songs from his newly released album, he is a young star who you will be hearing so much more from on the world's stage.

Barney Baloney entertained the children throughout the afternoon with his magic tricks, balloon modelling and general buffoonery.

Jon Alex wowed the audience with his truly authentic tribute show to Elton John, performing all the classic songs to an appreciative audience before giving way to The Lance Gold Soul Show which had the gathered crowd dancing.

By the afternoon's closing, we welcomed The Abba Girls to the stage, who had the whole field dancing and singing along. Everyone loves a bit of Abba!

The supporting food, drink and children stalls all added to a happy family afternoon in the sun.

A wonderful show, a year in the making, frustrated by two

cancellations due to the extended Covid restrictions which added to the stress of reorganising.

Join us for Party On The Rec 2. Sunday 19th June 2022 from 1pm for another free to enter Family Party courtesy of the Dore Village Society.

Caroline Davies

The Show goes on

Well, the pandemic did its best, but the Dore Show won the day, in 2021 at least!

Our heartfelt thanks to those of you who attended on 11 September and to the exhibitors who proved that there is still a great appetite to create and enjoy a little healthy competition in the kindest spirit.

The weather was kind and although it was expected that numbers and entries would be reduced, we were very much encouraged by the turn-out.

By the time you read this the committee will have held a debrief meeting and started the planning for next year. If you have any comments on this year's show or any suggestions for next year, please do let us know. All thoughts will be welcomed.

My second request is that if you, or anybody you know, might like to volunteer next year, please contact Pat Ryan at drpjryan@gmail.com. Next time we should be back to a full programme and will need to get back to our full roster of volunteers.

Finally, the committee would like to say a big thank you to the 65 volunteers for all your work in the run up to the last Show and on the day itself - without you there would have been no Show at all.

Andy Pack
Chairman, Dore Show
andy@ajpack.co.uk

PS - Could trophy winner John Fletcher please contact me in the near future to confirm some details re his trophy?

Photo credits (overleaf): Ian Spooner, Janet Ridler & John Eastwood



It seemed like the whole village was breathing a collective sigh of relief when we met up for the Party on the Rec at the beginning of September. It had been planned for July, but for a week before the last covid restrictions were removed. Undaunted, Caroline and her team acted quickly to get everything reorganised before the end of the sunshine. And the sun did shine; it was a glorious day and everyone just enjoyed being in each others' company again. We all saw people that we hadn't bumped into for ages, and had the chance of a good natter and catch up whilst listening to some great live music, including the Abba girls (right).

Special mention should be made of the Ratpack Revisited guy who got caught on stage when the generator packed up. Undaunted, he carried on *a capella* for half an hour until the problem was fixed thanks to a local resident who also deserves a nod for his public-spiritedness.

The party was originally moved from the green up to the Rec so there was more room to spread out, but it turned out to be even bigger than expected, the crowd size comparing favourably with a Gala Day attendance. The decision has already been made that it will stay up there, and it will be back next year.

Dore Show was also back again, though a little slimmed down from the usual format as it wasn't clear during most of the planning exactly what restrictions would be in place on the day. So, no outside entertainment this time, but there were still plenty of entries vying for a share of the silverware, not least my own favorite category - the children's vegetable animals.

The sun might have gone in now as we hunker down for winter, but it isn't the end of DVS activities for 2021 - there's still the Lantern Parade to come!





The day after Dore Show it was time to head off to the village green for another Heritage Day. Children and their adults were treated to duelling knights and a quick course in medieval candle making (top right) amongst other attractions.

The following weekend was the return of the Sheffield Half Marathon (bottom right), cancelled last year and postponed this year from its usual place in April. First home was Andrew Heyes of Hallamshire Harriers, who finished a few seconds short of five full minutes ahead of the field.





John Francis Deal (1953 - 2021)

John was born in Uxbridge, West London, and after leaving Harrow County School as Head Boy, he attended the University of Essex to study computing.

Following his eventful university life, championing various student causes and completing his degree, John's career began in the Civil Service at the Department for Education. Here he rose through the ranks to become a project manager, implementing departmental projects over many sites all over England from Runcorn to Durham, London to Nottingham, Sheffield to Coventry. Combined with the fact that his wife Sandra also travelled with her job, a central base was needed, and with its proximity to stunning scenery and excellent road networks, Sheffield, and in particular Dore, became the family base in 1999.

John believed passionately in education, especially for young people, as a way of combatting many of the negative behaviours that spread division and conflict in society and so, when he moved to Dore, he quickly became a governor at his eldest daughter's school, Dore Primary School and later at King Ecgbert School, where both his girls went, and he hoped he could contribute the skills he had.

Working with school staff, who he respected immensely for all the hard work and dedication they give, he viewed himself as a 'critical friend' to both staff and pupils. He hoped that in his role as a governor he could help create and maintain the best possible conditions for both groups to excel.

John remained a governor for 21 years until his death. During this time, he became Chair of Governors at King Ecgbert School, and in 2015 was instrumental, as a new trustee, in the formation of the Mercia Learning Trust (a partnership of six local schools, including King Ecgbert Secondary and Totley Primary).

In time he became Trust Vice Chair, and Chair of the Finance, Risk and Audit committee, and extended his governance support to Newfield Secondary as well. He brought the right mix of strategy, support and challenge, and was highly respected in this important, demanding and voluntary role.

Hidden under his gentle, calm, patient exterior, John possessed a high moral code and wasn't afraid to challenge actions in people if he felt that these actions were motivated by that individual's self-glorification and were prejudicial to the lives of the people he loved or the young who had no voice.

As a husband and father John did not view these roles as an 'add on' to his life but more of a 'way of life' that he embraced with huge amounts of love and commitment.

John's priorities when he had spare time from his very demanding job were, without doubt or exception his wife and two daughters, but he often felt that living in a household with three women brought a different set of life challenges. To balance this the family welcomed a golden retriever dog called Josh to the fold.

John loved family life and all that it entailed, often remarking during the teenage years of late nights (or more realistically early

mornings) when demand for 'Dad's Taxi Service' was at its highest that 'fatherhood is life's greatest adventure', sometimes though said through gritted teeth and often with tired eyes!

Early retirement from the Civil Service in 2010 gave John more time with his wife and family and to pursue and develop all his life interests and hobbies to a greater extent. Of course, he was able to offer more time as a school governor but he was also able to pursue in greater depths some of his other loves, such as that of scuba diving.

John had been introduced to scuba diving a few years earlier on a family holiday and found the whole experience so exhilarating and exciting that he wanted to become more involved with the experience, from improving his underwater photography skills to teaching others and passing on his enthusiasm so he became well qualified in this field. Even cold-water diving didn't faze John and regular trips to Capernwray in the Lake District became eagerly anticipated.

John didn't stop there with his hobbies - as a fully qualified amateur swimming referee he found himself in high demand to officiate at amateur galas from inter-school games to university meets (BUCCS) and one of his favourites, the disability swimming galas. The disability swimming galas never failed to inspire him and the level of skill of all the swimmers he found awe inspiring.

Skiing was another of John's hobbies - it had been while skiing that John met his wife, Sandra. Regularly during the summer months and with membership of 'Snowzone' in Wakefield, practice lessons helped prepare them both for their annual skiing holidays.

John had enormous amounts of energy and his hobbies didn't end there. Cycling and summer cycling holidays, particularly around Holland, helped build memories that are looked back on by his family with delight and quite often, humour (not to mention the large consumption of the Dutch favourite - Pannenkoek - pancakes with whatever you could think of for fillings)!

A few years ago John was delighted to be presented with Honorary membership by The Rotary Club of Abbeydale for all his help and contributions to community charity based activities, mostly in the area of IT/computer expertise. A favourite of his was the help he gave for the 'Music in the Gardens' event.

'Lockdown' and the loss of some of his hobby facilities didn't faze John and a move to Bakewell followed with long walks and more cycling filling the void. As lockdown eased, early morning swims were added to John's list of hobbies, and as the swimming pool was only a couple of minutes' walk away he and Sandra found this an ideal way to prepare for the day ahead.

When all other interests etc. were exhausted (!) John enjoyed DIY and gardening and to relax he was an avid reader.

It was with immense shock and a deep sense of loss that John's severe and unexpected heart attack in June cut short the full, well lived life of a vibrant, dearly loved husband, father and a gentle, gentleman.

Another postcard this issue, and another one of Herbert Jackson's. As Dore's Postmaster, Herbert it seems commissioned these photographs to be sold as postcards in his Post Office. They are all printed on the back with the legend 'Issued by Jackson, Post Office, Dore' and many of them feature Herbert and/or members of his family. And why not? Herbert was, after all, paying the photographer's bill in days long before the 'point and shoot' cameras of today.

This particular card is, however, even more special than that because it was actually written and posted by Herbert himself. You can see in the bottom left corner that he has written 'Our family at P.O. Door' (his underlining), and initialled this H.J.

In the picture, Herbert is the chap in the long white apron standing just outside the shop door. It looks like he is supposed to be supervising the person loading or unloading the cart. Whilst it's made to look like a candid photograph, it has, I believe, been posed to some extent.

We are standing outside the Hare and Hounds here, looking along Church Lane towards Drury Lane, and can you see the hayrick standing on what is now the car park of Dore Grill? The shops in the picture were condemned and demolished in 1970, making the space where the Village Greens now stands. The Post Office moved across the road to what is now Jester's Cottage long before that - before the First World War.

Back to Herbert's message, which he sent to a friend in Newark on New Year's Day, 1904. In a flowing and accomplished hand, he writes:

"I return compliments Old Boy and wish you every happiness this year. We have started bad. Child very bad but hope to have a better year than last. Had lost your address again - I think I shall remember it now. Should like to see you. Will send you remaining 4 p. cards Haste as usual."

Herbert became Postmaster only the year before in 1903, taking the job from his father-in-law Thomas Marshall who also ran the grocers shop. It is, in fact the grocery that Herbert is standing outside in the photograph.

'Child very bad' might refer to any of Herbert's children; he and his wife Frances had four of them, but Herbert himself was only 23 years old when this picture was taken. Can we detect from these few words that he was feeling a little stressed, maybe from finding himself in such a responsible job at a young age?

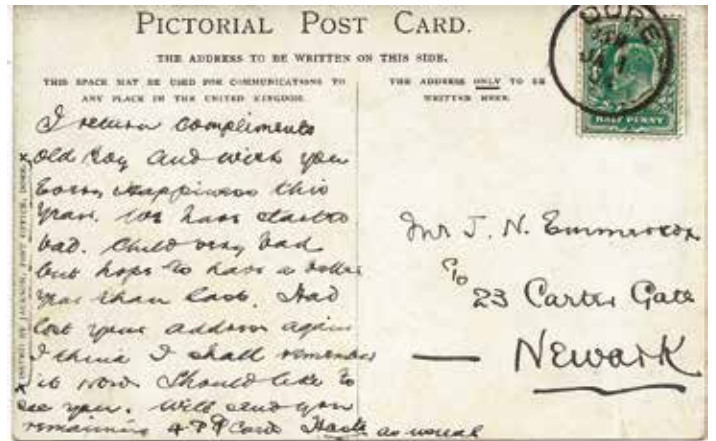


Nonetheless, Herbert became well-known in our village and stayed with the Post Office until he enlisted for WWI in 1916. He never came home.

Finally, Herbert promises to send his pal 'remaining four postcards', presumably because there were five of them printed from this photographer's visit. We know that this wasn't the only run of cards printed as others show the Post Office after its move to the bottom of Townhead Road. Some of those also show Herbert and his family members so they must be later.

This, though is the only such postcard in the archive which we know to have been written and sent by Herbert himself.

John Eastwood



Apple Landscapes and Paving

Driveways, block paving, natural stone and porcelain patios, walls and full garden renovations.

Established over 16 years. Fully insured.

Call Darren on: 07782167540 or 01246 237505.

Find us on Facebook, under Apple Landscapes.
www.applelandscapes.com

Domestic - Contract - Commercial - Short & Long Term Hire

AFP

VAN HIRE & SALES LTD

MOT available class 4/5/7

Small Vans, Box Vans, Minibuses | **afp servicing for all vehicles is available to the public** | Large Vans, Grey Vans, Tipper

346 BRIGHTSIDE LANE, SHEFFIELD, S9 2SP
Sheffield: 0114 261 0522
www.sheffieldvanhire.com

Brand New - Now Open
MOT TEST STATION
Also Servicing - Repairs
No appointments necessary

Action need to tackle Sheffield's hidden needs

A new report published by South Yorkshire's Community Foundation (SYCF) has revealed the four most important needs across the region after a year dominated by the Covid-19 pandemic. Vital Signs, using a combination of local knowledge and official research data to measure the vitality of a community, has shown that crime and safety, disadvantage and inequality, work and the local economy, and mental health were the priority issues for communities across South Yorkshire.

Acting on this research, SYCF are launching a dedicated themed programme to directly target the issues identified. The Employment and Employability Programme will support young people age 14-30 in gaining the skills and learning of the opportunities available to them in the world of work.

Chris Booth-Mayblin, Chair of SYCF, said: "The findings from the research are startling and action is urgently needed. The top four priorities for action demonstrate the interlinking nature of society's biggest problems and how a coordinated effort from all stakeholders is needed to effect change.

"We are imploring stakeholders and policy-makers across South Yorkshire to not simply sit on the results of this research but act. We do not want to be reporting on the same issues in our next report."

Data gathered through the research is used to support evidence-based, locally-relevant solutions to improve the quality of life at the community level. The findings draw awareness to the areas critically needing investment by authorities, and allow stakeholders to provide targeted intervention where it will have the most impact.

In the community survey, nearly one third of South Yorkshire residents said they do not feel safe in their local area with 50% saying not enough is done to address the causes of crime. On average, South Yorkshire has 20 more crime incidents per 1,000 people than the rest of England. The Sheffield based organisation Mums United were cited in the research for their work in helping people become mentors in their communities to guide young people away from the lure of gangs.

The four local authorities across South Yorkshire rank within the lowest 14% of all local authorities in England against key deprivation indicators, which has got worse over the last five years. 65% of people in our community survey feel the gap between those with the most and those with the least has become noticeably wider.

Half of all respondents said businesses struggle to survive in their local area. The employment rate is on average 5% lower in South Yorkshire than the rest of England.

Mental health was ranked as the fourth priority for action by communities in South Yorkshire with 60% saying they struggled with their mental health in the last year yet 40% said there is not a good level of professional care to support them. The number of people diagnosed with depression is higher in South Yorkshire than the rest of England, though there are so many unknowns here including the level of undiagnosed problems both locally and nation-wide, waiting lists and the increasing number of referrals. The general lack of resources was stated by the community as a significant problem.

"We want to respond to the crisis of the pandemic and support our communities as urgently as we can," said Ruth Willis, Chief Executive of SYCF. "The effects of the Covid pandemic have exacerbated many existing societal problems yet young people have been disproportionately affected and their success in securing employment or training has such a consequence on all the issues identified in the research. Our ambition is to distribute £500,000 across South Yorkshire to community organisations working with young people to boost their skills and job prospects."

"With this new funding, we can engage the wider community – individuals and businesses – to work with us and be a part of the solution to the issues that our Vital Signs reporting has identified."

To view the report please visit www.sycf.org.uk/VitalSigns

To apply for the themed fund, community groups can visit our website at www.sycf.org.uk/employmentthemedfund.

It was such a good feeling to celebrate Transport 17 (T17) starting to operate once more in the last article. Operations have gathered momentum since then with more lunch clubs opening up over September. We are also now taking more passengers (8 per bus) but our priority still remains to provide a safe and secure service for both our passengers and our volunteers with some covid procedures still in place. To add to this good news, there have been a number of developments for T17 over the past two months which we hope will result in a new era beginning, building on the foundations of Alan Jockel's vision of 1984.

News Updates

We are delighted to report that Fiona Smith has been appointed as T17's Operations Manager taking up her new role on the 6th of September. Since she came on board to help us out in February, she has proved invaluable at organising the service to date and brings with her considerable experience and understanding about the needs of a diverse range of client groups and is also well acquainted with the voluntary sector.

Joanna Woodward, a Community Development Officer with Age UK Sheffield, has been co-opted to the Management Committee and has strengthened our links with People Keeping Well and its very active network of events and other external sources. Colin Muncie has also been co-opted to the management committee and will be acting Chairperson until our AGM next March when current and co-opted members of the management committee are (re)elected by the shareholders. Colin brings with him a wealth of experience in business finance and governance. Since his retirement he has immersed himself in voluntary community work. We are already feeling the benefit of his involvement. We offer them all a very warm welcome, wish them every success in their new roles and feel positive that T17 can go from strength to strength over the coming months.

As many of you will be aware, Jenny Nuttall has been Secretary for T17 Management Committee for several years. Amidst all the good news reported above, we are really sorry to tell you that Jenny has decided to step back from her T17 responsibilities for personal reasons. She has been involved with T17 since 2017, initially spending time in the office setting up computer records for some of our reporting systems before becoming Secretary. Her support and extensive knowledge of the organisation is well known and highly valued and she has been a mainstay in keeping T17 going over the last 18 months. We cannot thank her enough for the time she has given and our thoughts and best wishes go to her.

During the summer we met with our new landlord, Andrew Morton. He and his family were stopping over in Sheffield having left their home and work in Hong Kong. It was good to meet face to face and we were able to thank him personally for the support he has given us over the difficult COVID time. We are awaiting a new lease agreement with him and look forward to working with him in the future.

This feels like such an exciting time for T17 as we move forward. Our networking links go from strength to strength as we build partnerships with individuals and organisations. Hopefully Alan Jockel would be well satisfied with the way the organisation he founded is progressing.

New Volunteers Wanted

As our service continues to open up and existing volunteers have moved away or their personal situations have changed, the need for new volunteers is becoming more and more important.

Current volunteers tell us that they 'like driving and get a real kick out of seeing our passengers...getting together with their chums at the various coffee mornings and lunch clubs,' and that there is 'often lots of friendly banter with the passengers and fellow passenger assistant.' Many tell us that being a volunteer gives them 'great pleasure,' the 'appreciation shown by passengers makes you feel good knowing you've made a difference to their day,' and that they've 'made good friends at T17.' Volunteers

appreciate that 'it only takes approximately four hours of my day and just to see the results of happiness in our passengers makes it all worthwhile,' and importantly, 'the hours are reasonably flexible so can fit in around holidays and social life.'

This is a great time to join T17 as a volunteer, as a new era unfolds. Full training is provided for those who would like to volunteer as a minibus driver or passenger assistant and clearly these are core roles within T17. However, there are many other roles and ways for individuals to volunteer with the organisation depending on the amount of time you feel able to offer and/or your experience and abilities. For example, are you skilled in DIY and repairs? Could you help with fundraising? Do you have IT and/or social media skills that could be put to good use helping us with the website/social media accounts? Or able to offer a couple of hours a week in the office? If you feel you could give us some of your time to 'help us to help others', or would you would like more information about volunteering opportunities, please contact us on 0114 236 2962, e-mail us at admin@transport17.co.uk or visit www.transport17.co.uk. We look forward to hearing from you.

Colin Muncie

Having graduated from Manchester, Colin has had an extensive career in senior management in the steel industry in the UK and the United States.

Colin retired in 2009. He maintains his involvement in the voluntary sector and was formerly a Trustee at Weston Park Hospital Cancer Charity. Colin was a Governor and Chair of the Finance, Premises and Personnel Committee at King Edward VII School, and a Governor at Stocksbridge High School and Poolsbrook and Barrow Hill Primary Schools in Derbyshire. Until very recently, Colin was Vice-Chair of Governors at Norfolk Community Primary Academy.

Married with two adult children, his interests include football, motorsports, cycling, walking and politics, and he is a qualified grounds person. Colin's interest in grass roots football includes being an independent disciplinary panel member with the Sheffield FA and with FA National Serious Cases Panel, volunteering with three local non-League clubs (and one cricket club) and he is on the organising committee of an open age Disability Football League, the South Yorkshire Ability Counts League. Colin also volunteers with a local lunches club and at Sheffield Children's Hospital.

Fiona Smith



Fiona began her professional career working in the NHS as a Clinical Psychologist within a range of settings and seeing clients of different ages. However, the majority of her Clinical Psychology career was spent working with older adults who presented with a range of mental health problems and/or dementia.

Since the age of 14, voluntary work has played a significant part in Fiona's life. Initially, being introduced to the voluntary sector through family members and by

participating in the Duke of Edinburgh's Awards, she has been a volunteer at Topley Library since the Council closed the library and volunteers took over the running of it in 2014.

Fiona lives in Sheffield with her partner and two young children but was born, and grew up, in Cornwall and the county and its heritage remains important to her. She particularly enjoys spending

time outdoors, and her interests include caring for and sustaining the environment and natural world around us, being part of a caring and supportive community, and spending time with friends.

Joanna Woodward

Joanna joined the team at Age UK Sheffield in June 2017 as Community Development Officer to implement and develop the



People Keeping Well network in the S17 area. In the last four years the partnership has grown exponentially and in April 2020 Age UK Sheffield were commissioned to further expand the People Keeping Well across the wider South West area. Joanna now manages partnerships across the South West having recruited over 30 local partners including GP practices, Pharmacies, Healthcare providers, Community Support Officers, charities, churches, local activity and Transport providers, Libraries and local publications. The partners work together to increase activities and services and support existing provision to increase mental and physical well-being for every member of the community.

In addition to People Keeping Well, Joanna also manages a number of older people's campaigning groups such as the Sheffield 50+, the Age Friendly Sheffield Steering group and the Intergenerational Age Partnership, as part of Sheffield City Council's Equality Partnership network.

Joanna grew up in S17 and now lives in Dronfield with her husband and 3-year-old son.

Fiona Smith, T17 Operations Manager
Sandra Longley, Management Committee

Dore Lunch Club Back Again

After eighteen months of forced closure Dore Open Door Lunch Club has begun again and has places for new members. We re-opened our doors very tentatively in September and since then have met regularly every Tuesday in Dore Old School. We welcomed back several of our former members and are gradually introducing new ones. Our volunteers were eager to get back to setting up the room, cooking delicious meals and washing up afterwards.

Despite early setbacks, it has been an encouraging relaunch thanks to our brilliant team of volunteers and our lovely faithful elderly members. We are already planning our special Christmas celebration when members and volunteers enjoy together a three-course lunch all prepared by our own team of Master chefs. It is the highlight of our year.

As a small friendly lunch club, Dore Open Door offers a hot home cooked meal and social interaction for elderly Dore residents. We are governed and supported by Voluntary Action Sheffield and link in with Transport 17 who provide a minibus service for those who require transportation from home.

We can assist the elderly with mobility difficulties and when needed help them with removing coats and sitting up to the table but we are not trained to manage those who require supervision as a result of Alzheimer's or Dementia.

If you think that you would like to come along on Tuesdays to Dore Old School for some good food and friendly chat please get in touch with us for more information.

Maureen Cope
Tel: 0114 2350392

maurencope1@btinternet.com

Hilary Harrison
Tel: 0114 3485462

hilary.harrison@sky.com



HAMNETT

WEALTH MANAGEMENT



Based on Baslow Road in Totley, Hamnett Wealth Management have been providing Independent Financial Advice to our valued clients for over 30 years. We pride ourselves on being our clients trusted adviser, building long lasting relationships and ensuring our clients benefit from the substantial value of our professional financial advice year after year.

As a Chartered Firm of Independent Advisers, including a Society of Later Life Advisers specialist, we can assure you of the very best advice from our highly qualified and friendly team.

We offer an initial consultation at no cost or obligation. If you need advice around pensions, investing to get more from your savings, life assurance or Inheritance Tax planning, please get in touch and find out how we can make your money work harder for you.

Please email advice@hamnettwealth.com or call us on 0114 235 3500.



Hamnett Wealth Management are authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority

THE Glen

Private Nursing Home



The Glen Private Nursing Home

Contact us on **0114 2365580**

www.theglenprivatenursinghome.co.uk

enquiries@theglenprivatenursinghome.co.uk

Visit us @

224 Abbeydale Road South,
S17 3LA



Vets4Pets Millhouses

Ask us about...
our affordable
health plans
for your pet

*Everything you need to keep
your pet healthy and happy*

- 15 minute consultations • Friendly, pet loving team
- Modern medical and surgical facilities
- Free on-site parking

The surgery is locally
owned by Vets
Tim Wood BVMS MRCVS and
Alistair Boyd BVMS MRCVS

Vets4Pets Sheffield Millhouses

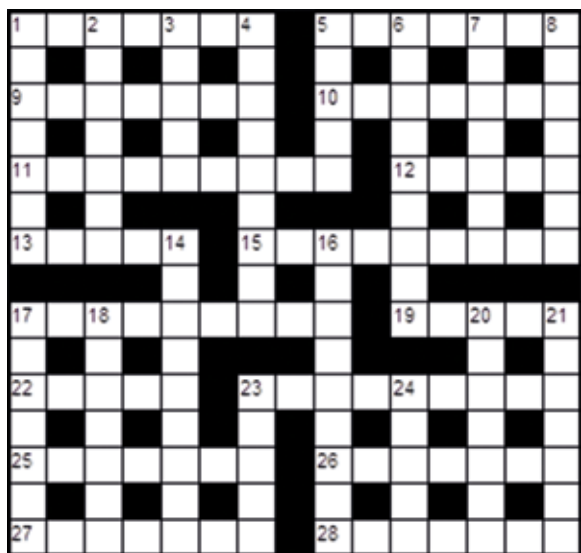
964 Abbeydale Road, Sheffield, S7 2QF

Call: **0114 236 4070**

or visit: vets4pets.com/millhouses

Opening Times: Mon - Fri - 8:30am - 7pm, Sat - 9am - 5pm





Across

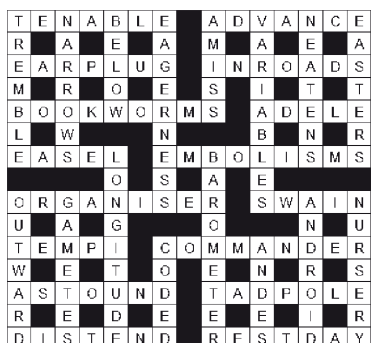
1. Embryo going to unspecified republic (7)
5. Squad reduced to produce top style (4,3)
9. One parcel to fashion model (7)
10. Food produced by South American method (7)
11. Conditional reversion deplores threads (9)
12. Improper but popular to have a pint (5)
13. Course record at start of season on Muirfield (5)
15. Number react badly internally from peach (9)
17. Idle woman produces rotating dispenser (4,5)
19. Colour that is, in retrospect, contributing to production being down (5)
22. End of game! Right mother! (5)
23. Character with debts can be funny (9)
25. Singer includes minute quaver (7)
26. Galileo took one more student, leaving nothing out to convert criminal (7)
27. Policemen take care of stretch (7)
28. Met secretly to tackle the way to the limits of England (7)

Down

1. Blunder about one with resistance to animal (7)
2. Bothers to cover extremely soft vibrations (7)
3. Principle is to have team round in the morning (5)
4. Unknown income may bring cravings (9)
5. Vessels that are built following constant questions (5)
6. Explain cryptic clue one time (9)
7. To some French a patisserie may also produce bread (7)
8. One may be operating at the extremely reputable organization (7)
14. Initially sat bare-back within distance to get down (9)
16. One is called up to learn lines (9)
17. Bound to take insect into cover (7)
18. Theirs is different after concluding character produces instruments (7)
20. Doctor should provide need (7)
21. Took stock which was tarnished but left in (7)
23. Beast not right confidant (5)
24. Count everything in vacuous attempt (5)

**Crossword
compiled by
Mavis**

**Answers will be
published in the
February issue.
Solution to
our Autumn
crossword:**



Despite the lack of summer in August, we have managed some very pleasant days out walking in and around the Peak District. Ann and I with some friends have done even better in the warmth of September, with walks from Cromford along the canal to High Peak Junction and most of the way up the hill opposite, then back down to Cromford; pretty much every path in Chatsworth and Longshaw including Padley Gorge up to White Edge and a round walk from Rowsley including a 600-foot climb. I am now knackered.

At last, we began rehearsals for our next show, The Pirates of Penzance, on Wednesday 8 September at Millhouses Methodist Church Hall. Hopefully, the majority of members will have received two doses of the vaccine so if the worst was to happen and someone did catch covid it should not be too problematic. Life is one long series of risks, we will just have to live with it.

This show will be staged from Wednesday 6 April to Saturday 9 April 2022 at The Merlin Theatre so watch this space for more details later. We will also be starting concert rehearsals soon so that we can hopefully lift everyone's spirits before Christmas. It may be that the concert will be on Saturday 4 December in the Dore Methodist Church but that date has yet to be confirmed. Please contact me on 0114 2362299 for confirmation and tickets. Please keep your eyes peeled on the Dore G&S Facebook page for more information.

A number of us attended a memorial service for Judy Savourin in late August. Judy, who sadly died during the shut-down was one of our stalwarts and will be greatly missed but the service was a good one where both Jo, her daughter and John Jr., her son both sang wonderfully. Despite the sad occasion it was nice to meet up with many fellow performers and friends who we have not seen for over eighteen months.



This photo is from the last concert we gave in Feb 2020 at Whittington Methodist Church with two who are no longer with us: Jenny Bland (front row right) and Judy Savourin (front row third from the right not counting the one just out of shot).

A few of us managed to put on a concert in mid September at a week's notice! Mike Cox, a former member asked a few of his friends to perform a concert at Whinfell for their funds and an excellent program provided an evening's entertainment filled with comic, standard and operatic pieces which the audience seemed to thoroughly enjoy. It was the first night out to any sort of entertainment for over 18 months.

I must say that it is nice to feel as if we are moving forward at last.

Keep your eyes open for the concert information and for more show details and Oh - don't forget to get your flu jab. I've had mine!

Keep safe and happy and here's hoping for a warm October and a mild winter.

Derek Habberjam

**Please mention Dore to Door
when replying to advertisements.
It helps both DVS and the advertiser.**

A.W. OTTER & SON

Tree & Garden Services

When you're looking for a reliable company with over 38yrs of experience look no further than

A.W. Otter & Son

For all your tree & garden work

With a friendly, professional service we offer.

- Tree felling
- Tree pruning
- Hedges, trimmed/reduced/removed
- Stump grinding
- All aspects of garden landscaping



Give us a call for
a no obligation quote

Richard Otter

07789740729/01142280404

www.relieffrompain.co.uk

Hallamshire Osteopathy DORE

We provide hands-on treatment for:-

- Back pain and sciatica
- Neck and shoulder pain
- Sports injuries
- Arthritic pain
- Knee and hip pain
- Headaches
- Whiplash injuries
- Mobility problems
- Pregnancy related back pain
- Rehabilitation from injury
- ... and much more besides

Please call in for a no obligation chat & we'll see if we can help you

12 Causeway Head Road, Dore, Sheffield, S17 3DT



0114 236 9315 or 07943 589293

We are a family run business based in Sheffield. We provide high quality, weatherproof and maintenance-free roofing systems made to last a lifetime.

WRAGG
ROOFING & BUILDING

THE FIBREGLASS SPECIALISTS

A PERMANENT SOLUTION TO YOUR FLAT-ROOF PROBLEMS

- No seams, cracks or leaks
- No stones, moss or lichen
- Tough enough for balconies
- Available in a range of colours
- Can incorporate insulation to reduce heat loss
- We supply a superb product guaranteed to last
- 30-year durability (rated by the British Board of Agreement)



WE ALSO SUPPLY AND FIT UPVC SOFFITS, FACIAS AND GUTTERS

EXPERTS IN ADVANCED FIBREGLASS ROOFING SYSTEMS

www.wraggroofing.co.uk

Call us today to arrange a **FREE** no-obligation quote



0114 2559549



The Hope Valley Capacity Scheme

At long last we can see tangible evidence that the project is finally under way. A preliminary work camp is now on the railway triangle. As I write final calculations are being made to create a slope down to the track-side to allow machinery to work alongside the current two tracks below Poynton Wood. This will allow creation of a new trackbed for a third track from the north side of the bridge over Westview Lane up to Dore West Junction.

In many ways this is even more important than adding a second track and platform at the station. Together with another new loop alongside the current tracks at Bamford (beside Sickleholme Golf Course) they are designed to reduce delays caused by long, slow moving stone and cement trains. At present most come east along the Hope Valley because the tracks around Manchester are even more congested than around here.

Currently, a heavily laden stone train leaving either the Buxton quarries via Chinley, or the Hope Valley cement works has to get slowly under way to cross the westbound track before reaching the track to come east. That requires a big gap in the traffic flowing in both directions. Once underway, probably at an average speed of less than 50mph, it needs to keep going until just outside Sheffield station to avoid being caught up by passenger services able to travel at 80 or 90mph. That's the earliest it can be overtaken.

The alternative is for the train to go south through Dronfield and Chesterfield taking the very tight and uphill bend through little Dore Tunnel between Dore West and Dore South Junctions. That's a slow manoeuvre, most especially if there is no gap in mainline traffic in either direction. If there is no gap it will sit on the line blocking all other trains coming from the Manchester direction until it can move away.

Once the two new loops are operational (all being well, by September 2023) these long trains can wait there until there are gaps in the other traffic. For empty trains it's less of a problem because they're lighter and can proceed more quickly into their respective sidings without having to cross the traffic. A freight loop nearer Sheffield is being made suitable to hold these long trains coming from the north and east. Any coming from the south will be able to wait in the new Dore loop before slotting in behind a stopping service to reach Hope or Buxton.

Rail recovery

National rail recovery remains very patchy with use now fairly settled at 60-65% of pre-Covid levels. Our own latest survey suggests commuting from Dore is yet to top 40% of what it was and that's fairly closely reflected in car park use. However, leisure use seems to be as good as pre-Covid, if not better on fine days. Overall, we're probably around that national 60-65% level.

Services

On 20 December national timetables change. The only difference for us is that two East Midlands trains will be reinstated after being temporarily withdrawn in June.

Sadly, East Midlands senior conductors are engaged in a long running industrial dispute and are currently banning all Sunday work on our Regional services. That's not a major problem for us

as only two ever call here on Sundays but it has some knock-on effects as passengers divert onto our Northern stopping service. At the end of October talks were continuing and may be resolved by mid-November, fingers crossed.

Here's the good news. Commuters come back. Those crowded 3-carriage TPE trains are now 6 carriages, they're keeping better time, and there's lots of space to spread out. It's almost as quick to get to the Airport by making a change at Piccadilly.

The noisy old Northern Pacer trains have gone and many of our trains have 3 or 4 coaches, especially at weekends. They're more comfortable and increasingly popular. If you see a lot of young people getting on or off at Bamford many are fans of an apparently well-known Chinese TV series. Bamford Edge is becoming something of a pilgrimage destination. If anyone can identify the series so we can watch and see what it's all about, please give us a clue. Fluency in Mandarin may be an advantage.



A second bench

Last year Abbeydale Rotary kindly donated and positioned a bench beside the drop off zone. It has been so successful that our next challenge was to add another and it's now in place dedicated by Doreen Fox and her family to her late husband, Peter Fox, 1942-2011.

Peter was Dore & Totley's first station adopter and was a strong advocate for improvements. He lobbied to get the station name restored from shortened Dore back to the original full name of Dore & Totley. At that time our stopping service was every 2 hours, but with some 3-hour gaps. It went to New Mills only, change for Manchester. He helped persuade the powers that be to run our trains all the way. His push for a full hourly through stopping all stations service continues to this day (we're now pushing for 2 stopping trains an hour).

He set the ball rolling to get some long distance fast stops by TPE and East Midlands. Train and railway enthusiasts may be familiar with books and magazines like *Today's Railways*, published by Platform 5, the company he co-founded. For a short time he was a LibDem Councillor for Dore & Totley Ward.

If Peter had been with us today he would have been gratified to see over 40 people boarding the Saturday 10.21 stopping train to Manchester. Three coaches, every seat already taken on arrival and very many standing. He'd be telling us that there's still much to do. Hopefully he'd be impressed to see how we're progressing 10 years after he left us.

Looking forward

Let's get travelling, safely, towards 2022 and beyond.

If you're a Facebook user, you can find and join us by searching for FoDaTS. It's a very active group and is regularly updated with information as received. If you're not on Facebook and would like more information please send an email to our Secretary; njbarnes@outlook.com. There's also lots of information on our website at; www.fodats.net.

**Chris Morgan,
Chairman**

Planning for your financial future couldn't be easier

We are delighted to confirm Whittington Goddard Associates Ltd has been granted Associate Firm status with the Personal Finance Society (PFS). As an Associate firm we adopt the professional standards and code of ethics set by the PFS and believe in an inclusive united culture which places our clients and staff at the heart of our commitment and focus.

The eight core principles of being an Associate Firm include acting in the best interests of our clients, demonstrating integrity and fairness, complying with the rules of regulation and employment law and operating a clear diversity and inclusion policy for our staff and clients.

Whittington Goddard Associates Ltd

Provide independent financial advice from our office in Sheffield. Our services are tailored to meet our client's current circumstances, aims and objectives.

- Investments & Savings
- Pensions & Retirement Planning
- Life Cover, Critical Illness Cover, Income Protection
- Equity Release
- Care Fees Planning

Home reversion plans and lifetime mortgages are complex products. To understand the features and risks, ask for a personalised illustration.

We are small enough to care about your needs – but big enough to cope with all your requirements

Whittington Goddard ASSOCIATES LTD

Whittington Goddard Associates Ltd is Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority



26 Causeway Head Road, Dore, Sheffield S17 3DT
 Telephone: 0114 235 1623 Fax: 0114 262 0438
 Email: enquiry@wg-associates.co.uk
 Office: Monday to Thursday 9am - 4:30pm; Friday 9am - 2:30pm
www.wg-associates.co.uk

JPR Farm Direct Ltd

Delivering Quality Garden Products

Screened Topsoil

JPR Gold-Soil Conditioner

Matured Farmyard Manure

Ornamental Barks & Play Chips

JPR Border Mix-for beds and borders

www.jprfarmdirect.co.uk

Tel: 01298 873022



Statutory Wills • Trust Wills • Disability Wills
 Asset Protection Wills

Wrigleys solicitors are local to you and experts in this area of law. We are experienced and sensitive to your needs.

For a free and no obligation discussion, please call
 Jane Netting or Peter Clarkson on 0114 267 5588

WRIGLEYS
 — SOLICITORS —

www.wrigleys.co.uk



Super Sardinian scoff



Due to a logistical blunder (my fault!!) and partly because the restaurant I had planned to visit only opens three days a week, the original choice will have to wait until the next edition of Dore to Door.

Apparently Akentannos was the first restaurant in Sheffield to specialise in Sardinian cuisine and having never eaten Sardinian before I thought it was a good alternate. Akentannos, meaning "100-year life", was opened in 2016 delivering authentic Sardinian cuisine using ingredients imported from Sardinia or sourced locally. Sardinian food has a reputation for promoting health and long life, so frankly what's not to like!

Located on the vibrant and bohemian Sharrow Vale Road, the decor of Akentannos is simple and (unsurprisingly) Mediterranean, with whitewashed walls, simple furniture, a combination of tile and wooden flooring and a rustic wooden bar. The overall effect is totally in keeping with the cuisine and the addition of the deli-counter enhances the overall atmosphere.

As we were on Sharrow Vale, we took advantage of a pre-dinner drink at The Porter Cottage before our 7pm reservation. When we arrived at the restaurant, we were the only ones there which was a slight concern. However, ten minutes later when the babble of Italian/Sardinian (I can't tell the difference!) voices was heard from a family behind us, those concerns were alleviated, and within half an hour the place was half full. The staff were attentive throughout and were friendly without being intrusive. Mario, the chef, made an appearance halfway through our meal to greet all the guests and make sure we were satisfied, which was a nice touch not seen everywhere.

On to the important bit! I don't think I have ever seen my partner choose soup as a starter, but after considering the Purpuzza, Funghi & Mozzarella – a rustic bread with crumbled fennel sausage, wild mushroom, buffalo mozzarella and a basil emulsion, she actually did choose the Zuppa del Giorno (£5.95) which was a potato and leek with pecorino, served with artisan bread. The soup was almost a meal in itself – hearty and flavourful, with the pecorino a great addition to the more traditional flavours. The bread was quite obviously freshly baked, with a really crunchy crust and a soft, light interior. There was only one choice for me – the Polpi Piccanti (£11.95), which is always a bit of a risk as the only other times I have had octopus it was either almost raw or could have been used to play squash! This dish, however, was what octopus should be like – amazingly tender, and the flavours of garlic, parsley, chilli, white wine and red wine vinegar in the fresh tomato sauce were tremendously well balanced and didn't take away from the flavour of the octopus at all. However, what really made this dish were the balsamic pearls and squid ink, which elevated the flavours to a whole new level.

After the quality of starters, we waited for the mains with heightened anticipation. I went for Coniglio in Umido (£16.95) which was fresh rabbit on the bone, cooked with garlic, carrot and onion, celery, fresh tomato sauce, lemon zest, white wine, rosemary and whole unpitted green olives (to quote the menu!). Now, I have only had rabbit a couple of times before, both times in a stew, so although I enjoyed it, I was intrigued by how it would be in this context. Although visually the dish was no oil painting – rustic

is the adjective that came to mind, the taste was just outstanding. The meat was tender and sweet with just enough gaminess in the darker thigh meat to lift the overall flavour. The broth was a perfect accompaniment, and I was pleased that I was brought a spoon and had a chunk of bread to help see it off. I ordered a side of rosemary roast potatoes, which on reflection I didn't really need, but they were good (and I finished them) nevertheless.

My partner chose another traditional Sardinian dish – Pane Frattau (£13.95). I should note at this point that this was the only non-gluten free dish of the four, being made up of layers of Sardinian bread, softened using meat broth and served with lamb sauce and pecorino cheese, topped with free range poached egg. In fact, the vast majority of the menu is GF, which I can only assume is intentional. The level of persuasion required before I was allowed a taste became immediately understandable when the food hit my taste-buds. Another resounding success and something totally different. The taste of the lamb sauce with the soaked bread was a revelation and the tangy, spicy pecorino was provided an excellent counter-point. I was unsure about the addition of the egg, although I should have known better. I am not sure how to describe the effect it had on the rest of the dish, just that having tasted it with the egg, I wouldn't want it without!

We accompanied the meal with large glasses of house white (£6.95), which was dry and fruity, with the starter and the cheaper of the two choices of Cannonau (£27.95) with the main. This traditional Sardinian red is deep and rich with a subtle spiciness which went well with the meat dishes.

As I suspected the hearty soup starter meant that a dessert was ruled out for my partner, but I was intrigued and felt it necessary to continue our foray into Sardinian cuisine, just for the purposes of informing my readers – honest! The first dish on the dessert menu meant I didn't need to read any further. Seadas (£6.95) is a speciality of the restaurant, and is a homemade pastry, filled with a Sardinian cheese and deep fried. It is served topped with acacia honey, lemon zest and a sprinkling of brown sugar, and quite simply was a perfect ending to a great meal, especially when accompanied by a great double espresso and a large Gran Marnier!

Overall, a fantastic find, and a restaurant that is my current favourite in Sheffield. From the service to the food, atmosphere and value for money (£120 for two including £55 on drinks) there is very little to criticise this establishment for. We will definitely be returning to try the other intriguing dishes on the menu.

Hendo Nagasaki

Akentannos Restaurant 270 Sharrow Vale Rd, Sheffield S11 8ZH
Opening Hours: Tue-Sat: 5pm - 10pm Sun/Mon: CLOSED
Phone: 0114 268 0505
Web: <https://www.akentannos.co.uk>
Email: info@akentannos.co.uk



September 16 saw the first public meeting of one of the new Local Area Committees (LAC) anywhere in the city, in Greystones Primary school. Councillors for the South West area (Dore and Totley, Ecclesall, Fulwood and Crookes and Crosspool) and around 60 members of the public met in the school hall.

A new setup for locality working was agreed by the council in March and this will lead, we hope, to greater local control and accountability of local services, better engagement and collaboration with community groups and more say for local people over how the council operates.

To what extent this will actually happen remains to be seen. So far, very little in the way of powers and budgets have been devolved to local area committees and this needs to change if they are to be successful. Members of the public at the meeting raised both questions of process: "how are we really getting a better say here?" – a good question to ask, and also local issues of concern from highways & road safety to the Sheaf turning blue. How well will both types of question be answered? That is the test.

The South West LAC is expected to meet in public four times a year, once in each ward. This first meeting was an introduction, and the work is due to begin in earnest with consideration of a local plan that will set policy priorities for the committee. A draft of this plan will be circulated in time for comments before it goes to the LAC. To receive this or to get more information, you can sign up to updates at www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/your-city-council/south-west-local-area-committee or google Sheffield South West area committee.

We want to stress however that the new working arrangements do not alter the basic function of your local Councillors. We are here to represent the residents of Totley, Bradway, Dore & Whirlow and help them with any concerns they have about our local area. You can contact us by email, phone or at one of our regular surgeries.

Regrettably there is less positive news about the Local Development Plan. This is a vitally important document that should set out the vision for how the city will grow and develop over the next 20 years. It should also include a decision on where major housing development will take place. For a neighbourhood like Bradway that is close to the Green belt and other open space this is incredibly important. Unfortunately, the draft plan has been delayed *again* and may not be available for another year. Local

Councillors are pressing for the earliest possible conclusion to this long-running saga.

We are very pleased that the Dore Neighbourhood Plan was approved in the referendum with an overwhelming majority, and it has now been formally adopted at the full Council meeting in October. However, questions at the Sheffield City Council meeting revealed that the Council is keeping money from developers centrally rather than distributing it out to local communities as it is supposed to do. In areas which have an agreed Neighbourhood Plan such as Dore, 25% of the money given by developers is supposed to be retained and used in the area where the development took place. This cash from developers is meant to be spent on things local people want in their communities. We moved an amendment to the motion to approve the Neighbourhood Plan that would have ensured that indeed 25% would have been retained locally but this was defeated as Labour and the Greens voted against it. We will continue to vigorously seek to get the decision reversed so that the funds can be spent locally as intended.

The Christmas lights on Abbeydale Park Rise are a well-known attraction and raise money for charity. Unfortunately their popularity can cause a lot of inconvenience to the residents because of the traffic congestion. We are working with local residents and the Highways department to see if we can find a way of easing the situation this year.

Thanks to an initiative by local teenager, Francesca Gray, a wildflower bed is being planned for the Rec. We are coordinating cooperation between the Dore Village Society, Parks and Countryside and the volunteers so that next spring there will be a fine splash of colour as well as providing an enhanced habitat.

Finally, we have resumed face to face surgeries in Dore Old School on the second Saturday of each month between 10.30 and 12.00. The surgery on the second Monday evening of each month (at Totley Library) cannot resume at present due to the reduced opening hours in the library but we are hopefully that these too will resume shortly.

Martin, Colin and Joe

martin.smith@councillor.sheffield.gov.uk

joe.otten@councillor.sheffield.gov.uk

colin.ross@councillor.sheffield.gov.uk



Firstly, I would like to express my condolences to David Amess MP's family, friends and staff. I was horrified by the news of his murder, and my thoughts have been of him and his loved ones ever since.

As many of you will know, in January 2021 I launched a series of climate assemblies, to bring

the issues that will be discussed at the COP26 UN Climate Summit back to the people of Hallam so that, in the absence of a government willing to act, we could begin to build our own vision of what a green recovery looks like.

After 10 months of assemblies and discussions I was extremely proud to launch our Hallam Citizens' Climate Manifesto ahead of COP26 and at the time of writing I have just travelled to 10 Downing Street with some Hallam constituents to hand-in a copy of our manifesto to the Prime Minister and COP President Alok Sharma.

The ideas and principles outlined in this document have been drawn from these assemblies and the points raised. They

describe the changes people in Hallam said they would like to see at a local, regional, national, and international level and are wide-ranging, speaking to policy on planning and local government, energy, transport, finance, food, nature, industrial strategy, and international climate justice. Above all, they speak to the dynamism and ingenuity of the people of Hallam in imagining how to do things differently.

I hope Boris Johnson will consider these thoughtful, considered, and practical suggestions the people of Hallam have put forward. They provide an excellent starting point for COP26, and the debate over how we build an economy and society with climate justice at its core.

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has been involved in this project. I have really looked forward to each assembly and have loved having the opportunity to discuss these important issues with you. During the ups and downs of the past year these meetings, and the many ideas shared, have brought me hope and energy to keep fighting. I hope we can now use this Manifesto to push for the radical change needed at and beyond COP26.

In some other exciting news we have had a big win on our miscarriage support campaign. For the past year I have been working with constituents and national campaigners to change the guidance around miscarriage care and support so that people don't have to wait until their third miscarriage before receiving support. Earlier this year I held a debate in Parliament on the issue, and I have also been involved in a documentary, helping raise awareness.

So, I am overjoyed to see the new draft Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists guidelines, which should mean people can get support after their first miscarriage. This is a huge step and an incredible win for campaigners and individuals who have been speaking up about this injustice for years. If implemented, these new guidelines will mark the end to the outdated and immoral three miscarriage rule, which has prevented millions of people from accessing vital support and care when they most need it.

It has been nearly a year since I first spoke publicly about my own experience of miscarriage. The number of people who have contacted me since that day and shared their horrific experiences of being turned away from support because they hadn't "had enough miscarriages" has only driven me to further push for change. I said then that I didn't want anyone else to have to go through what I went through. So, to know that the

Policing



This year seems to be passing very fast; we're already into the darker nights and it feels like Autumn is well and truly in the air. Obviously with darker nights and relaxation of restrictions meaning people returning to work and actually getting away on holiday there is more opportunity for crime and I'd recommend having a look at all the home security

advice issued over the last few issues. We have already seen an increase in burglaries across the district. A few simple steps can help to make your home a lot more secure and less attractive to burglars:

Try and make sure your house looks occupied whilst you are out or away in the evening by using staggered timer lights and TV simulators. If you are close to your neighbours consider asking them to pop in each day to open and shut your curtains.

If you have alarms please make sure they are set; if you are in and heading up to bed and can isolate your alarm to downstairs only please do so.

Make sure keys are not left near doors or cat flaps, implements can be used to reach through and hook the keys leading to easy entry.

For keyless cars protect your keys, either in a tin box or wrapped in foil, commercial RFID blocking containers for keys can also be bought. Never leave keys near the door nearest to the vehicle.

Very importantly, make sure all doors and windows are locked and secured properly even whilst in the house. Too many burglaries are still committed through open doors or windows.

Check you have anti bump and snap locks fitted. Eurolocks are still an easy target and are still fitted even to modern doors.

Be vigilant in your neighbourhood and report any unusual or suspicious activity. Although it may seem that the police are unable to do anything, any information we receive helps us to build up intelligence on where incidents are happening.

If you are worried about any aspect of your security, as usual you can contact me on the details below and we'll be happy to make an appointment to come and see if we can offer any help or advice. If you want to be kept informed about crime in your area and you're not yet signed up to SYP Alerts I can do this for you if you send me your house number, postcode and email address to my email below. Whilst local Facebook groups can be very useful, they also sometimes exaggerate and inaccurately report incidents nearby!

days of telling women to simply "go home and try again" are nearly over is truly amazing!

I want to thank everyone who has shared their story with me and spoken up about their experience. There have been many days when it has been really difficult to talk about this issue - but today it all feels worth it.

Finally, I want to wish you all well this winter. I have really enjoyed being able to get out and about and meet with more of you and I hope this can continue into the festive period. If you would like to read what else I have been getting up to you can do so on my website, where I post weekly updates. As always, please get in touch if there are issues you would like me to raise or campaigns you would like me to get involved with!

Olivia Blake

MP for Sheffield Hallam

<https://www.oliviablake.org.uk>

We have recently completed the Snap Survey which we ran in all the ward's areas over the months of July and August. Thank you for the responses from the Dore & Totley Ward, I believe we had the biggest response rate of all the six wards we cover. The three priorities which have been highlighted from this for the community are: House Burglary, Speeding Vehicles and Drug Dealing in that order. We will work with these alongside our priorities as a Police Service and, where we can, share the results and activity on all our social media pages.

We have a co-ordinated approach to investigations of House Burglary and operate alongside a number of specialist teams in respect of these offences. We monitor them daily and develop information and intelligence to seek to prevent offences but also gather evidence to prosecute offenders. We welcome information and intelligence in respect of such offending and would like to remind our communities that if you want to give information anonymously then you can do this either on the Crime Stoppers Website www.crimestoppers-uk.org or via their telephone number 0800 555 111.

The teams are running Community Speed Watch operations in a number of areas which have been highlighted. They will work closely with the Safety Camera Partnership to co-ordinate enforcement in these areas and conduct regular high visibility operations to prevent this and also educate motorists. It's worth noting that the Police do not decide on the placing of speed cameras, fixed or otherwise. This work is carried out by the Safety Camera Partnership and Sheffield City Council but information we gain from the Speed Watch operations does feed into their decisions. Some of you will have seen the (very mixed) responses to our Dore related Speedwatch posts on Facebook, please remember when adding comments that these are not routinely monitored by the team, if you have queries please send them to the team address below.

Drugs dealing and taking is a priority for the team, again we would welcome information and intelligence. We are preparing and working a number of operations to seek to tackle this in our communities as we know the impact that this has.

Now a number of the Covid restrictions have lifted we are returning to some of our community meetings and events and hope if you have any issues you feel able to approach the team or contact us via 101 or our dedicated email Sheffieldsouthwestnhp@southyorks.pnn.police.uk.

You can also contact me as usual on adrian.tolson@southyorks.pnn.police.uk or my work mobile number 07787 881945. A gentle reminder that these details should not be used to report any incidents which require police attendance, these should be reported as normal through 101 if no crime is happening at the time of the call or 999 if there is an immediate risk to life or property.

Thanks for reading,

Adrian

The Church Hall Story

Dore Church Hall was opened in 1937 but it wasn't the first building erected on the site for the benefit of Dore people. Let's take a look at its prehistory.

The Pitcher Crofts

In 1876 the Duke of Devonshire had proposed to the Dore School Trustees an exchange of land: 6 acres of his, the Pitcher Crofts on Townhead Road, for about 3½ acres of theirs known as the Intakes along the present Ash House Lane at the corner of Limb Lane. Perhaps the quality of the Intakes appealed to the Duke and the location of the Pitcher Crofts to the Trustees, hence the outwardly uneven bargain. Obtaining possession five years later, they let their new land to local farmers to add to the school's income.

Apart from the Church Hall site, most of the Pitcher Crofts is now occupied by the Brunsmear Athletic Football Club and best viewed from the footpath linking Townhead Road with the Meadway. From at least 1883 it was known for many years as the Cricket Field, though it hosted football and agricultural shows too. The definitive sport in the Church Hall's back story was, however, athletics. The Second Boer War (1899-1902) showed that one-third of British volunteers were unfit for service and this boosted official and public interest in physical training.

The Gymnasium

As early as May 1900 the School Trustees received a request from the Dore Gymnastic Society to rent the easternmost piece of the Pitcher Crofts. Their agreement and the building of a gym must have gone ahead promptly because local directories record the renamed Dore Athletic Society – address: The Gymnasium – from 1901. The School Trustees charged the Society an annual ground rent of £1, or £111 in 2020 values (RPI). In 1904 they noted the legal basis of the rental. The Society had erected the gym at their own expense, and it was to be their absolute property as a tenant fixture.

Their first secretary was Joseph Frost, a 40-year-old cutlery manager who lived in one of the brick semis called Ivy Bank opposite the foot of Rushley Road. He had several local interests and was official timekeeper to the Longshaw Dog Trials Association. His successor as secretary was John Stones who ran the smithy behind the Devonshire Arms. The most colourful personage was the coach, Staff Sgt (later Sgt Major) Enzer, a physical training instructor at Hillsborough Barracks and an outstanding gymnast, swordsman and juggler.

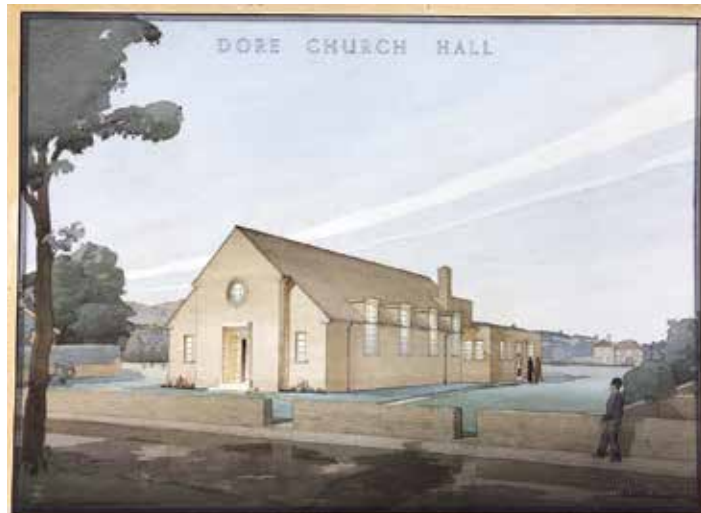
A press report paints us a picture of the members and their instructor putting themselves through their paces:

Gymnastic Display At Dore

"For the past four or five years the village of Dore has possessed a very capable athletic society, whose members have continually progressed in various branches of gymnastic skill, as their annual exhibitions have shown. Not a little of their success is due to the precept and example of their trainer, Sergeant-Major Enzer of the Army Gymnastic Staff, gymnastic instructor at Sheffield Barracks, who is an athlete of many attainments. The society gave one of their displays at the Gymnasium, Dore, last night.

"The class gave performances on the horizontal bar, parallel bars and high vaulting horse, and also went through exercises with Indian clubs and bar-bells [bars weighted at the ends] and an exhibition of free gymnastics. Their work was smart and strong and some of their pyramid building was of a most attractive order.

"Sergeant-Major Enzer took a leading part in the display. One of his special turns consisted of a number of sword feats, including cutting a potato on another person's hand and throat, cutting a broom handle resting in loops of paper suspended on razor edges, cutting a bar of lead resting on clay pipes and other tricks demanding great dexterity and accuracy. He is also a good juggler and gave a capital exhibition of this art. His swinging of heavy axes



Above: architect's illustration of the proposed new building, 1937

after the manner of Indian clubs was a very graceful performance.

"He further gave a display of jujitsu, assuming the role of the attacked party and showing a number of useful arm-locks and escapes from strangleholds. His opponent in this item of the programme was Mr L. Shearstone, and the pair were also responsible for examples of Italian fencing and of rapier v. dagger and handkerchief.

"Boxing and m  le   [free fighting] were included, the contestants being Messrs S. Wright, C. Green, L. Shearstone and H. Pybus; and some good play with the quarterstaves [long poles] was shown by Messrs A. Farnsworth and F. Green. About 16 adult members of the society took part in the display, in addition to some 30 boys who did creditable dumb-bell exercises." – Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 25 May 1905

Another report informs us that the boys' age-range was from about six to twelve. Not long after this Sgt Major Enzer retired from the army for a second career as a music-hall entertainer. It seems that the Gymnastic Society was never quite the same again.

The Institute

In 1906 Dore Methodist Chapel saw the arrival of Thomas Bullock, a probationary minister in his mid-twenties. He lodged at Townhead House. Just before Christmas from 1906 to 1909 the circuit plan shows him giving 'Young Men's Institute Anniversary Sermons' at Dore, with other regular appointments at the 'Institute'. This is puzzling. Was it already an unofficial name for the Gymnasium?

For in November 1909 the Gymnastic Society was re-launched as the Dore Young Men's Institute and Athletic Society, soon shortened to the Men's Institute and continuing to meet in the Dore Gymnasium with separate rooms for games, billiards and reading. The vicar, William Ralph Gibson, had started a meeting for young men on his arrival in 1895, and the Institute appears to have been a Christ Church initiative too. It began with a lecture by Captain Becke, the Derbyshire and West Riding organizer of the National Service League, a pressure group springing from fear of Germany and seeking four years' conscription for young men of 18 to 30.

This militant theme didn't predominate. The Institute's President, Mr Davidson of Kings Croft, had a wider, educational vision of 'a place for general comfort, instruction, reading and recreation'. Thus the winter programme included a lecture by the vicar on the history of Dore, 'illustrated by lime-light views', a whist drive and a 'Grand Concert', while Dr Parsons formed a St John's Ambulance class.

In January 1911 the Institute's backers began to achieve their aim of inclusivity when the first 'Women's Social Afternoon Meeting' took place there. (Girls had their own organization, the Girls' Friendly Society, gathering at the school or the vicarage, led by Mrs Gibson and also dating from 1895.) In the summer a fund-raising bazaar was held at Kings Croft and the Institute with its 180-plus members was pronounced free of debt.

On the eve of the First World War the Men's Institute hosted a meeting about founding a branch of the Boy Scout Movement in Dore. During the war the military reputedly took over the building, but we have no details. Afterwards it resumed use for reading and games but enthusiasm for it waned. Then in 1924 a new Dore Choral Society started meeting in the Methodist Chapel. In February 1926 the Dore Parish Monthly Magazine announced that this society – which included several members of the Christ Church choir and congregation – would be giving selections from the Messiah under the baton of their conductor George Jefferson LRAM after a shortened Sunday evening service, and it proved a great success.

The Choral Hall

Later in the year a public meeting was called to decide what should be done with the building called the Institute 'now that there seemed to be no more interest in the place'. In the event the Dore Choral Society, now with about 60 members, took it over in 1927, reconstructed the interior from public donations and renamed it the Choral Hall. It seems that they bit off more than they could chew, for as early as May 1928 the School Trustees noted that they had received no ground rent (now £1 5s per annum) for four years. The guarantors were Messrs Reed and Jefferies and a lease would be issued to them backdated to 1926. In October 1929 the Trustees proposed to extend the lease for seven years and this was agreed, though the Choral Society's finances were precarious. About the same time two events were held to expunge or at least reduce the resurgent debt on the Hall, a 'Celebrity Concert' and the time-honoured bazaar.

We've now reached the point where oral testimonies come into play. Early in the new millennium the Dore Oral History Group recorded the memories, most from experience but some from family hearsay, of about 50 Dore people. So let's hear from some of them. The earliest memory came from Hilda Warnes (born 1910), interviewed by Bessie Colley:

HILDA Can you remember t'Gymnasium up here, before t'Church Hall was built?

BESSIE Oh yes... Choral Hall, we called it.

HILDA No, it were before that, it were a great big wooden place and all t' lads used to go there.

When she said 'before that' she presumably meant before it was called the Choral Hall.

Chris Fearnough recalled the old building and some of the activities that went on there:

"It wasn't called the Church Hall in the very, very early days, in the early '30s and late '20s it was called the Choral Hall... but since then they've rebuilt it... it was a wooden hut and they used to have dances and whist drives and things like that."

With Jean Dean (born 1934), comments about the Choral Hall were prompted by what she had heard about the Dore Brass Band:

Q Can you tell me something about the Brass Band?

JEAN Oh, that was before my time, but... most of the Brass Band were a family called Taylor... And they used to keep all their instruments in the attic at no. 16 Townhead Road where Vincent Taylor lived. And they had a brass band for years.

Q And where did they play?

JEAN Well, there used to be a place in Dore called the Choral Hall... They used to play in there.

Q Where was that then, Jean?

JEAN Where the Church Hall is now. And a bloke used to come there, Sergeant somebody, I've forgotten his name. Gave them boxing lessons. My uncle, who's about 5 foot dripping wet, once knocked a bloke from Topley out and nearly killed him.

Q And these were the musicians that did the boxing?

JEAN No, no, all the village did, but the musicians would be in there.

We've come across the Dore Brass Band as early as 1877, but this family recollection seems to go back to the days of the Gymnasium.

Finally Syd Crowson (born 1928), famous for heading up Scouting in Dore for many years, had a very important childhood memory entailing a snapshot of the building:

"I attended a Wolf Cub Pack in Townhead Road, which was the old green corrugated-sheeted Church Hall... which preceded the present Church Hall."

The Church Hall Rises

How did the Choral Hall come to be changed into and then replaced by the Church Hall? It took a few years. The traditional centre for the activities of church organisations was the school, but increasingly it was felt to be restrictive: the desks got in the way. So in 1933 the Parochial Church Council (PCC) set up a committee to consider provision of a new building. Two potential sites in Church Lane came under review.

But meanwhile the two guarantors of the Choral Hall, their number possibly swelled by the Misses Flint and Farnsworth and Mr Barwell who ran it, and presumably weary of their seemingly inescapable burden – a debt of £88 10s 6d (£88.53 – in 2020 values £6426) plus a condemnation order suspended for two years on condition of minor changes – offered it to the Church. The PCC took it over along with its liabilities and increased the overdraft to fund the requisite improvements in heating and sanitation. This happened around the turn of 1934-35. For a time, people weren't sure whether to call it the Choral Hall or the Church Hall.

As a third option the possibility had now arisen of developing the Townhead Road site. In 1935 the vicar, the Revd A.G. Saxelby-Kemp, referred the matter to the Charity Commissioners, who agreed to the project with the requirement that the new Hall would belong jointly to themselves and the incumbent – whether as chairman of the School Trustees or of the PCC isn't clear, but the project certainly comes across as a Church initiative. The freehold remained with the Trustees – until the Church was enabled to buy it as the school neared its end.

An appeal was in train by February 1936. It had been heralded by the new Dore Dramatic Society's first production Milestones as a fund-raising effort in the previous spring. Building could start once an initial £1000 had been raised (£1 then was worth about £70 in 2020). Joan Sheppard (born 1915) was proud to recall that her father had given £5, the very first donation. At that time, Doris Stead (born 1912) told us, the people who were interested persuaded others to pay, I believe it was a penny a brick, towards the Church Hall. All kinds of social events were held to raise funds. At Dore Moor House, the home of Allan J. Grant, managing director of Thomas Firth and John Brown, an Old English Fayre and Garden Fête brought in over £300. Later a loans scheme was started, with eleven Dore people lending £100 each. The Diocese of Derby made a £500 loan.

Green Brothers of Dore built the Church Hall. Roy, George and Albert tendered a sum of about £3500. The key year for building was 1937. The new Hall would have a new footprint. A contemporary map shows two buildings, the Church Hall under construction and its predecessor occupying what became the drive to Christ Church Cottage to the east. (Greens proceeded to build that for the caretaker.) Mrs Grant laid the foundation stone on 8 July and on 11 December the Rt Revd A.E.J. Rawlinson, Bishop of Derby, dedicated it and Col and Mrs F.A. Neill, Master and Mistress Cutler, declared it open. Although the Hall was used for Christ Church activities it was also available for hire. The floor was reported to have been specially laid for dancing.

John Dunstan

with the Dore Archives Research Team

Next issue: The Hall in Wartime; Post-War Activities; The Hall and The School; Into a New Millennium.

ACTIV RUNFIT

Introducing our clinic for people who run

Are you a keen runner? Suffer from niggling injuries? Want to improve your running style? Our Activ RunFit service is just what you need!

Injury is a pitfall of running due to the large stresses put through the body every time a step is taken, which could be 10,000 steps in a 10km run.

Whether you run socially, competitively or for fitness, our physiotherapy led one to one clinic may be of use to you.

WHY TAKE PART?

Specially trained physiotherapy assessment

Video analysis of running technique

Muscle strength and mobility assessment

Gym facilities and treadmill if required

Simple, specific advice on running style and training regime

Strength and conditioning programme

Reduce injury risk and potentially improve performance

Competitively priced

Contact us for additional information

www.activphysiotherapy.co.uk

CALL 0114 2352727

Marriott Plumbing & Heating Ltd

Gas Safe Registered 204606

Fully qualified maintenance and installation specialist with 25 years of experience.

- *Boiler repairs and installation.
- *Pilot light failures.
- *Central heating breakdowns.
- *Emergency call outs.
- *Boiler servicing and powerflushing.
- *Landlord certificates.
- *Bathroom suits and wet rooms

No job is too small

please contact: 07976 031853 or nicholasrichards93@yahoo.co.uk
11 Mercia Drive, Dore, S17 3QF

Chiropodist

Jennifer Downing, S.R.N.
Qualified Chiropodist
M.S.S.Ch. M.B.Ch.A.

Surgery behind Dore Chemist
Townhead Road

Tel: 0114 236 2048
24 hour answering service

Peak Hearing

INDEPENDENT HEARING AID
ADVICE, SALES, REPAIR
and AFTERCARE

iPhone Compatible Hearing Aid Specialist.

Qualified and fully insured Micro-suction
ear wax removal service.

Home visit service available.

The very latest technology with a 5 year warranty.

Ring Ian on 01246-433955



We clean your oven.....
so you don't have to

Call today to have your oven, hob, extractor or Aga professionally cleaned

Pippa Weir contact details
Tel 0114 258 3466,
Mob tel. 07716 992648
www.ovenwizards.com



Carter Knowle Computing Limited

For friendly and professional help and advice on home computing problems:

- Emergency System Recovery
- Networks (wi-fi, home broadband)
- Email, Internet Security (Anti-Virus / Firewalls)
- Transfer of data between old/new PCs
- Set up of new equipment (printers/scanners etc)

With reasonable and competitive rates please contact:

Rob Edwards on 07711 718455
rob.edwards@CarterKnowleComputing.co.uk
www.carterknowlecomputing.co.uk

We were delighted to resume our activities in September for the first time since the first lockdown in March 2019. We welcomed an audience of 38 members and visitors, some here for the first time. Our report on the September meeting has been provided by Jean Dykes.

Don Witton: Late Herbaceous Perennials

Don is a well-known and popular local speaker with a range of fascinating talks.

He holds a National Collection of Euphorbias on his allotment and is an enthusiastic plantsman with a weakness for colourful flowers, especially of the daisy family at this time of year.

With beautiful photographs to illustrate the talk, Don led us through the months of September to November showing examples of perennials performing at their best and where to go to see gardens with the finest examples of planting for autumn colour, such as Wisley, Bodnant, Bressingham, Trentham, and Harlow Carr and Breezy Knees in Yorkshire.

When Covid lockdown restrictions were lifted Don and Dot began to visit these gardens again and noticed everywhere the uncared for, 'long Covid effect' of lack of garden volunteer input over the year, with weeds evident everywhere.

Late herbaceous perennials are mostly sturdy and tall growing which will bulk up over the years when well grown and divided, giving a splendid show for a small initial outlay. Some, such as *Astrantias* can be sheared back when the first flowers fade and will give a second flush of foliage and flower. Some such as the geraniums, especially *Rozanne*, will cover a large area from a small root system and flower on for months.

Several tall growing grasses are on Don's list for their interesting flower colour and form. Did you know how to differentiate a grass from a sedge? Grass stems are round right down to the ground, but the stems of all sedges have edges (shaped like Toblerone wedges).

The tidying up of these long-standing perennials and grasses can be done by shearing to the ground in February and composting the remains long after the birds and insects have made use of the seeds and decaying foliage.



Simon Croson – Gardening for Honeybees

A similarly high turn-out heard Simon give a wonderful, illustrated talk drawing on his 15 years of beekeeping. Simon is primarily a lover of wildlife and photography and an ethical, commercial beekeeper. He has some 350 hives in Lincolnshire including some at Belton House. He told us there are 270 native bees in the UK but only one honeybee. It is sobering to think that every one in three mouthfuls of our food rely on pollination by bees and other pollinators (which also includes wasps). As well as learning about the life cycle of the honeybee, he also

provided an overview of how honey is produced.

With the dearth of plants in the north early in the year, Simon transports his bees to a 400-acre cherry orchard in Kent where, as the honey bees feed on the blossom, it is a win-win situation for grower and beekeeper alike.

Simon explained how Dore gardeners can be more bee-friendly and extend the gardening season for bees by increasing the range of plants and trees in gardens. The earliest nectar and pollen are available on garden plants such as winter aconites, mahonia, willow and (yes) sycamore trees. There are few other plants in flower when dandelions are out. Though often regarded as "weeds", they are an important food source for bees (including the bumble bee, which you may see on a mild winter's day). Then come grape hyacinths, alliums and in summer: lavender, foxgloves, borage, salvia and evening primrose amongst others. However, many popular summer bedding plants are not particularly helpful to pollinators. Moving into autumn are Michaelmas daisies, echinacea, open-faced dahlias and ivy.

Simon brought a selection of his different types of honey to sell which proved popular with the audience stocking up for Christmas. For those who missed out, Simon's delicious artisan honey is available in National Trust shops.

Looking Ahead

Our 2022 programme will recommence in March. Watch out for full details of what's on in the next edition of Dore to Door.

Jean Dykes

Time Travellers

The Houndkirk Head

The Time Travellers Archaeology Group are very pleased to be back in business after the difficulties of the Covid situation. Starting in July we have been gently returning to those activities that can be carried out safely. Many of our members have seized on the opportunity to take part in a number of outdoor walks covering local archaeological places of interest.

While exploring Houndkirk Moor and the old turnpike road, two of our members made a really exciting discovery. The two halves of what appears to be a Celtic Head carved from sandstone were a little distance apart from each other, making their discovery even more serendipitous. Various experts have already looked at it and one dated it as possibly a religious votive object from the 12th Century, whilst another thought much older. Our little head (the scale beside it is in centimetres) goes off to the Portable Antiquities Scheme in November for further analysis.



Another of our members has been busy also in lockdown. Some of you will recall the perilous state of disrepair of the Portland Works near Bramall Lane which has been returned to life by a dedicated team of volunteers. Anna de Lange has just completed the story of the Portland Works and her book is available from history@portlandworks.co.uk. Well worth a read, as reviewed by Professor Geoffrey Tweedale, author of the Directory of Sheffield Cutlery Manufacturers. He said "A few years ago, *Portland Works* was a run-down old cutlery factory. But behind its neglected exterior lay a unique history, now fully revealed by Anna de Lange. It is difficult to think of a more illuminating history of a Sheffield cutlery enterprise. Anyone who wishes to understand Sheffield's industrial and social development should read this book."

Anyone who would like to be involved in a friendly local Archaeological group should look no further. Go to our website at www.thetimetravellers.org.uk for contact details and a glimpse of what we have done and hope to continue doing.

Dorne Coggins

AIMS

Accountants for Business

Tax advice and planning

Accounting and bookkeeping

Regulation and compliance

Business advice and support

Mark Randall FCA

T: 0114 275 0461

M: 07908 592007

E: mark.randall@aims.co.uk

W: www.markrandall.aims.co.uk

Tristan Swain

Garden Services and Maintenance
Established 1984

Unit C4 Sheaf Bank Business Park
Prospect Road Heeley
Sheffield S2 3EN
Tel/Fax: 0114 255 4689
Mobile: 07831 802 539
Email: tristan@tristanswain.co.uk



www.tristanswain.co.uk Public Liability Insurance Waste Transfer Licence

WINDOW SPEC

- Windows
- Doors
- Porches
- Replacement Units
- Composite Doors
- Bi-Fold Doors
- Conservatories
- Roofline
- UPVC Specialists



25 Years Experience

0114 236 9031

07729 174080



member



registered

www.windowsspec.com
84 Bushey Wood Road, Sheffield, S17 3QB

Quality Windows & Doors in UPVC, Aluminium & Timber



MODGLASS ESTABLISHED 1968

Tel: 0114 2353 851 Email: info@modglass.co.uk www.modglass.co.uk



It's 4pm on Friday 22nd October and copy deadline day for Dore to Door! I've left it to the last minute to try and get as much information as possible together for you.

We were hoping that by now the council would have installed the first piece of equipment that

More in Dore purchased earlier this year - the toddler/infant apparatus. Installation was originally planned for September which meant I could have written a nice little article about it with a couple of pictures of it in use. Frustratingly, due to earlier covid restrictions postponing council projects and supply issues with materials needed for installation, it is now looking like the first week in November at the earliest before we'll all get to see it (I'm hoping that by the time you read this it will be in situ and that you may have walked past it, or your kids may have played on it already).

Since I can't write about that, I'll tell you about the other things More in Dore and I have been up to since the last edition.

First off, I wrote and submitted a funding application for £40,000 through the National Lottery Community Fund. Whilst they do have other lower grants available that we would also be eligible for, I thought I'd try this one as our first submission to them on the grounds that if we were successful, we could get the whole playground re-done in one go! Unfortunately, earlier on this week I found out that on this occasion our application was unsuccessful. The reason given was that the land is owned by Sheffield City Council, they will maintain the equipment, we have to use a supplier of their choice and the provision is something they previously funded themselves – some of these points are not entirely correct as More in Dore will be supplying funds to cover ongoing maintenance of any new equipment, we get to choose the equipment ourselves (admittedly from a list of council approved suppliers) and the current playground was originally funded by a volunteer group like ourselves over twenty years ago. I will question their answer, but I'm not holding my breath on making them reconsider. It's a shame, but ah well, we'll just have to give some of those lower value National Lottery grant applications a go.

Whilst on the funding application theme, More in Dore has submitted this year's council ward pot application and we are hopeful we will be successful again. We were also contacted through our website by a member of a local Freemasons Lodge informing us about grants the Freemasons and other local charitable trusts may be able to offer. On the back of this I have now submitted a formal request for Freemason's funding which will be presented to the lodge in November, and we are in the process of applying for a few more grants from the information given. Fingers crossed they deem us a worthy cause and are able to help out. I'll update you of the outcome of this in the next edition.

As restrictions eased, we also started looking into what fundraising events we can hold in the future. The one we are planning at the minute is 'The Dore Dozen' fell race that we were originally going to hold last year, which subsequently got cancelled - along with everything else in 2020! More in Dore member, my friend and Taylored Personal Training's own Adam Taylor is organising

this for us and I believe by the time you read this the race will officially be on the Fell Runners Associations calendar for next year. If you're interested, pencil in Sunday 10th July 2022; Adam will no doubt have more information and something to write about it in the Spring edition.

Finally, not related to More in Dore but one of the side projects I've been working on which may help locals to get active – maintenance at Totley Hall bike/pump track. Further to a thread on the Dore and Totley Community Facebook page over a year ago I took it upon myself to see if the council could assist with carrying out some much-needed repair work to the pump track in Totley. Twelve months of discussions with the council and I've managed to get them to perform a city-wide survey of BMX/pump tracks which highlighted Totley as being in the top three in the city in need of work doing! Earlier this year they carried out some work to the trees that run alongside the track so they no longer encroach on it, and they have agreed that they will be hiring a contractor to resurface the track. However, the issue is that due to further budget restrictions they cannot advise when this will be – it may be a year or so down the line. Through further discussions with the council, they have finally agreed to let me form a volunteer group to carry out some interim maintenance to the track. At the time of writing it looks like this may be the afternoon of Saturday 20th November. The initial maintenance days over autumn/winter will be to cut back weeds and grass, widen the track and re-instate some of the previous lines. Come spring the council may be able to provide us with some surfacing. We can organise another dig day to smooth the track out and hopefully make it more rideable and safer for everyone for when the weather starts getting nice again. For anyone that reads this in time and wants to help out, just give me a shout using the normal More in Dore contact details.

As always, If anyone would like to donate, wants to organise a More in Dore event, fill in funding application forms for us or help in any other way then head over to our website or email us.

Tim Ashman, More in Dore Chairperson
www.moreindore.com
dorerec@gmail.com

Est 1971
R.S. HEATING & BUILDING CO.
Heating division
 Experienced installers of all types of domestic boilers.
 Authorised installers of Vaillant, Worcester Bosch and Glow worm boilers.
 Systems fully granted.
 Full after sales service dept.

Plumbing division
 Bathrooms, showers, wet rooms, individually designed washing rooms for the disadvantage a speciality.
 A complete service including design.

Building
 Kitchens, complete House renovations including general building, joinery, plastering, tiling, electrical, decorating etc.
 88 Sunnyvale Road, Sheffield S17 4FB

Tel: 0114 2364421
 e: enquiries@rshb.co.uk
 w: www.rshb.co.uk

Which? **APHC** **safe**
Worcester **Vaillant** **Glow worm**

Television and Video recorder repairs

City and Guilds London Inst Fully qualified.
Over 25 years professional experience.
For prompt reliable friendly service ring
0114 287 6806
and ask for Richard.
Ex Bunker and Pratley

Bank View Farm

Luxury Bed & Breakfast

Idyllic Rural Farm near The Cricket Inn
Spacious rooms and suites
High quality one bedroom holiday cottage
Beautiful gardens and grounds
Extensive delicious breakfast menu

10 out of 10 Booking.com Traveler Review Awards 2021



We would love to host your visiting friends and relatives.

For info and to book visit www.bankviewfarm.co.uk
or call Rachel on 07572 033050.
Bank View Farm, Moss Road, Totley, S17 3BD

more rehab
Neurological Physiotherapy & Services

More Rehab offer a high quality multidisciplinary therapy service to patients that require specialised neurological or respiratory care.

The specialised services we offer include:

- Hands-On Therapy
- Exercise Programmes
- Hydrotherapy
- Electrical Stimulation (Upper & Lower Limb)
- Gymnasium Work
- Splinting (Upper & Lower Limb)
- FES Bike Assessments & Programmes
- Carer Training
- Amputee Rehab
- Accommodation Assessments
- Equipment & Aids Assessments including wheelchair & posture
- Vocational Rehabilitation and much more, please contact us for more details.

We have clinics in South Yorkshire, Derbyshire and the surrounding areas. We are happy to do visits to your home, school or work place.

Tel: 0114 2353150
Web: www.morerehab.com



TOTLEY PRIVATE HIRE EXECUTIVE CAR TRAVEL



AIRPORTS AND LONG DISTANCE

PROP - PAUL SOUTH
24HR SERVICE

Tel: 0114 2839692
Mobile: 07974 355528
Email: PAULSOUTH91@GMAIL.COM



Curtain & Roman Blind

design and making service

Personal service from a friendly family-run business established over 20 years.
Wide range of fabrics: both contemporary and traditional. Large portfolio of completed jobs to view.
Track and pole supply and fitting service.

For FREE home visit & advice, call Carron at C by C
Tel: 07963 630233 email: carroncooper10@gmail.com

Totley Tree & Garden Care

25 yrs Qualified Tree Surgeon &
Experienced Gardener
Full Insurance
Tree Pruning and Felling
Hedge trimming
Garden Maintenance
Planting, Turfing
All work cleared

07393 878091

email-stevenbarnett@hotmail.co.uk

INDEPENDENT ANTIQU & FINE ART AUCTIONEER & VALUER

- Make more when selling your antiques
- Save on your professional insurance and probate valuations
- Single items to complete contents

Selling extremely well at the moment are:
Wristwatches, Jewellery & Handbags
Retro, Modern Art & Furniture and Chinese Items



Vivienne Milburn
INDEPENDENT ANTIQUES VALUER & AUCTIONEER

Main St, Great Longstone, Bakewell, Derbyshire, DE45 1TA
Tel: 01629 640210 Mobile: 07870 238788
Web: www.vivienmilburn.co.uk

Christ Church and our care for the Environment

Back in 1988 the Church of England made a bold statement about the fundamental purposes of the Church. The fifth point they made was:

To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation; to sustain and renew the life of the earth.

During 2014 and 2015 Christ Church asked itself how well Christians in Dore were striving to follow this. The answer for our church was not well enough. The result of our discussion, and the realisation of our shortcomings, led to specific tasks and challenges for us as a church. These challenges are likely to be true for others living in our suburb, where many lead comfortable lifestyles, and may not see the need for any change.

You will find the full environment statement from our Church



leadership on our website, but our challenges are as follows:

1. including the creation and the natural world in teaching and prayer
2. rediscovering how we can be content with enough and cultivating sustainable personal lifestyles as the fruit of spiritual growth
3. considering the impact of the church and its members on the environment
4. making sure that any future development of the church building considers environmental issues as a priority
5. using energy and materials economically and efficiently and recycling waste
6. supporting others, in their communities, who champion the environment
7. Engaging young people in this aspect of church life
8. Reviewing progress annually

This article addresses specifically points 1,3,4 and 5.

The first point is regularly revisited in our teaching in Church. An example would be the recent Harvest service where we looked at our support of Fairtrade produce and our giving to people around the world who grow things for us. We support sustainable agriculture and we are a Fairtrade Church.

In relation to the natural world, some may have noted the natural look to the Churchyard this year. This is a deliberate attempt to encourage wildlife in this central part of our village. We aim to balance access to graves, which are visited, with the needs of wild flowers to reproduce, thus giving food to vital pollinators, who then sustain birds and other animals. Next year we hope to increase biodiversity even more with the help of Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife Trust.

Point number 3 concerns us as we try to walk to church, rather than drive. It is not always possible, but as Christian stewards of the earth we talk about how we can contribute to reducing our carbon footprint. We think about wearing natural fibre clothes, wearing them for longer and upcycling goods when we can.

Christ Church has some success and some failure when it comes to item 4. We have worked on plans for the church for 20 years and we set out with big ideas to cut our carbon footprint. We hope to embark on this redevelopment some time in 2022. While much time has passed, we have reduced our footprint marginally. There is success in that we will have excellent insulation, keeping the church at a temperature to maintain its fabric in good order. The difficult news for us was that we were not allowed to have photovoltaic solar panels on the south-east facing roof.

Point number 5 concerns recycling and we do recycle all our paper; we have gone digital rather than printing service sheets and newsletters. Business meetings will remain post pandemic via videoconferencing.

Time is running out for the biodiversity we have enjoyed on earth. There is now instability in our climate as we seem to be unable to keep to a 1.5 degree increase in global temperature over pre industrialisation levels. The Sheffield and Rotherham Diocese of the Church of England has declared a climate emergency and is encouraging churches to have net zero carbon emissions by 2030. Be assured

that Christ Church members will have COP26 in Glasgow in their thoughts and will be praying that the agreements which are made, are adhered to.

Anita Campbell
Christ Church Dore

VICTORIA J SMITH OPTICIANS

OCT eye scanning & OPTOMAP retinal imaging now available for £49

- FREE children's sight tests & glasses
- Contact lenses for adults & children
- Home visits by appointment
- Prescription eyewear available for skiing, swimming, cycling, running
- Don't forget to use your 2 yearly Westfield allowance
- Sunglasses range from £119
- Blackfin & Vanni Eyewear Stockists – handmade in Italy
- Rodenstock spectacle lenses available
- Complimentary colour & style consultations available

A friendly professional service for all your optical requirements

To book an appointment please give us a call on 0114 262 1955

26 Terminus Road, Millhouses
Sheffield S7 2LH

www.victoriasmithopticians.co.uk



**J S JACKSON
&
SONS**
of Dore

Plumbers & Central
Heating Engineers

Tel: (0114) 258 8928
Mobile: 0771 373 0770

It's only **30p per word** to promote your service locally. Just call the advertising phone **07583 173489** or email advertising@doretodoor.co.uk.

DORE AND TOTLEY TILING -All aspects of floor and wall tiling. Free estimates and competitive rates. Phone Andy on 07983 622324

COTTAGE ACCOMMODATION in Dore short term, especially suitable for visiting friends and relatives; Phone 236 6014

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT. All aspects including painting, tiling, flooring and joinery, decking, fencing, pointing, guttering and stove fitting HETAS approved. Also garden work and unusual jobs. 12 years in business, local. Call Jamie on 0114 2353297 or 07786 906693

HORIZON ELECTRICAL All aspects of domestic electrical work. Competitive rates. Phone Totley 236 4364

ALAN GODDARD PLUMBING & Heating Dore 103 Limb Lane Dore S17 3ES 0114 2364575 / 07973 181666

CHIROPODY Home Visits Amanda Ross FSSCh.MBChA.DipPodMed Tel: 07904 919775

WANTED HI-FI, bicycles, anything interesting. Call me for a price. I live in S17 so happy to meet. Jeremy 07972 830244.

MP LOCKSMITH Burlington Road, Dore. All locks repaired/replaced. Upgrade your locks to Anti snap locks for insurance purposes. Mark Pidgeon 07752 069013 / 0114 3271824

PERSONAL TRAINING with experienced coach Adam, local of Dore. 1-2-1 PT, Outdoor Fitness Classes, Online PT and Online Workplace Fitness Classes. Please call Adam Taylor for more information on 07837 544845 or visit my website and email me www.taylored-personal-training.co.uk

BESPOKE MUSIC TUITION Specialist woodwind teacher with experience in teaching music theory and GCSE music. All abilities are welcome for pleasure, hobby, or exams; tuition is tailored to you. Visit emma-music.co.uk or contact Emma on 07763048915.

PILATES CLASSES run by experienced Physiotherapist/Pilates instructor at Dore and Totley URC on Thursdays 1.30-2.30pm, 5.15-6.15pm, 6.15-7.15pm. Please contact Emer on 07792 422909 as to when the classes will recommence.

LOVING HOMES WANTED We are a small Cat Rescue in Dore and we are in desperate need of loving homes for the beautiful cats and kittens currently in our care. If you are interested in re-homing a cat or a kitten now or in the near future, please call 07772 650162 and we will be delighted to show you around.

HAIRSTYLIST -Experienced,Professional and Local. City and Guilds Qualified in Hair Design and Cutting to a very high standard. All in the comfort of your own home. For appointments please telephone Suzanne - 07899 996660.

FRESH AS A DAISY ironing service. Totley based, free collection and drop off in Dore and Totley. Competitive rates, 12 years experience, fully insured. Call 07948 403332 for further details

FINEST GRIMSBY FISH delivered to your door. Please call Ben on 07709 553888

PAINTING / DECORATING SERVICES fully insured. 30 years experience. DBS approved. Neal Johnston 01142559205 / 07868745980.

SWANN WIRED security recording kit with 4 cameras. Boxed as new - £150 Tel 0114 2365913

Dore Glass & Windows

- Broken and misted units replaced
- Roof repair and maintenance
- Guttering and roofline products, soffits and fascia boards
- Dry ridge systems

Paul Brook
10 Kings Coppice,
Dore, S17 3RZ

07899906484

brooky1@icloud.com



S17 home & garden

Trusted local resident with references.
35 years experience. Fully insured.

Quality painting and decorating; flat pack; hedge cutting; garden clearance; home maintenance across S17 and beyond.

Call Julian 0114 2369664 or 07905 523499
juliancrookes@gmail.com
Longford Road, Bradway, Sheffield, S17 4LP

Customer feedback:

'Thank you for an amazing job – we keep recommending you!' Mr & Mrs D. (Bradway)

'We have come to consider you as a friend – thank you for all the work you have done in our garden; I have loads more work for you inside the house!' Mr S. (Dore)

'Thanks for always giving us such a professional finish when you decorate for us.' Mrs M. (Millhouses)

'Your decorating work is spot on – so quick and efficient too! We rely on you now.' Mrs A. (Dore)

'Thanks for decorating our flat throughout; your attention to detail; finishing and helpful attitude is great' Mrs B. (Netheredge)

'You've done a marvellous job decorating the outside of our house' Mr & Mrs W (Dore)

[Find me on facebook](#)



Christ Church Dore
Community Centre

Community Centre Reopens!



Christ Church Dore Community Centre re-opened at the start of September for all of its existing users and it has been wonderful to see so many people back using the newly refurbished Centre. On 11th September we held an Open Morning at which our users had stalls. The turnout was high; we had a steady stream of visitors throughout the morning checking out the improved facilities and new decor. We were also lucky enough to have local historian, Dr John Dunstan, with the assistance of other local experts, prepare the history of the Church Hall for a display which continues to be exhibited at the Community Centre. Please turn to page 38 for the first instalment or have a look next time you are in the Community Centre.

We have received overwhelmingly positive feedback following the completion of Phase 1 works but there is more to do! We are starting work on Phase 2 which includes erection of signage and redecorating The Ark, primarily for use with smaller groups requiring a more informal setting, such as youth groups.

We have started on the important task of raising more funds for ongoing works, including the replacement of the curtains in the Main Hall, stage curtains and stage lighting. The estimated cost is in the region of £6,000. A band night was hosted by local bands Five Rivers and The Fickle Birds in late September. Over 80 people of all ages joined in with the fun. A total of £1250 was raised by ticket sales and a raffle - a fantastic start! Even better, we continue to receive significant other donations behind the scenes from generous donors for items such as new chairs and we are very grateful for this.

We estimate that it will cost between £30-£40,000 to complete Phases 2 and 3 of the project. If anyone would like to make a donation small or large please check out the fundraising section of our website or scan the QR code below. If you are interested in making a more substantial donation and would like to discuss it with Pete Sanders you may contact him via chair.cc@dorechurch.org.uk. All and any donations are gratefully received!

The Community Centre has been open for bookings by other groups and individuals for a few weeks at the time of writing. We are already seeing bookings from new groups and a lots of parents wanting to book children's parties. This is great news for the ongoing sustainability of the Community Centre. If you would like to make a booking please see our contact details below.

All of the Management Committee would like to thank the local community, local organisations, local businesses and donors for their enthusiastic support so far. We could not have got here without you!

Emma Gormley

<https://communitycentre.dorechurch.org.uk/home>

info.cc@dorechurch.org.uk

0114 236 3335

Facebook: [ccdcommunitycentre](https://www.facebook.com/ccdcommunitycentre)

Instagram: [ccdore_communitycentre](https://www.instagram.com/ccdore_communitycentre)



Christ Church Dore Community Centre Management Committee is a sub-committee of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Dore registered with the Charities Commission, registration number 1128106



Professional Cleaning by
NEW PIN CLEAN LTD
Daily • Weekly • Fortnightly • Monthly

- Spring Clean • House Moves
- Established 1996 • One Offs
- Fully Insured • Free Quotations

Our well trained staff will clean your home thoroughly. We offer a customised service to suit your requirements

**Sheffield's premier
domestic cleaning company**

0114 236 2943

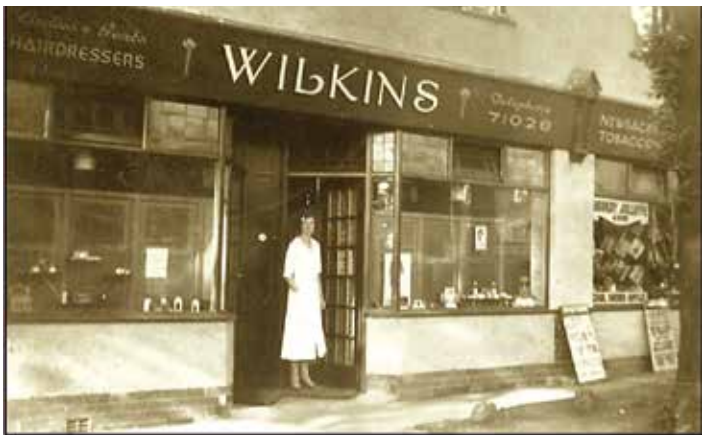
49 Wollaton Road, Bradway, Sheffield S17 4LF

How places change!



In the last issue of Door to Dore there was a request from John Holmes for a photograph, if we could find one, of the Fish and Chip shop that occupied a corner of Dore Service Station next to Jester's Cottage (or Dore's sweetshop back in the day). Unfortunately, none have been forthcoming but what has turned up is this photograph of the petrol pumps which were at the former Dore Moor Inn (now Ego Restaurant). John's father, Jim, had worked at the garage there as a teenager.

So, then the Archives team thought about what else has changed in the village over time. We have lots of photographs and postcards going back into the late 1800s but to intrigue you here are just a few of a familiar spot in the village. The first will probably be the most puzzling. It dates from 1936 and was given to the DVS Archives by Lesley Williams who now lives in New Zealand.



In 1936 the shop was owned by Lesley's father Ray and his aunt Margaret Wilkins.

Over time, usage and ownership changed so by 1982 another familiar shop to the right of the Wilkin's looked like this and was run by Mr E.R. Clover and members of his family for over thirty years.



Then, time passes and by Spring 1995 the premises are looking somewhat different but still functioning as Dore Post Office.

Note that in the next-door Chemist's shop photographs could be handed in for developing rather than our digital photos stored on mobile phones! Dore Pharmacy no longer has very public weighing scales outside either.



Today, in 2021, both the shops look very different. The Post Office has moved on and the premises is now the home of High Trees Clinic.

What else will change? As always, the Dore Archive Research Team welcome any memories or photographs you want to share with us.

Dorne Coggins

Broken Garage Door in Dore

Same day Repair in most cases
New up/Over Doors

Police/Insurance Approved

Insulated Roller Doors Supplied and fitted
Existing Doors Automated

01142935065 07792776130

DireKt Doors

Where customers come 1st

A percentage from all our sales in 2018 will be donated to St Luke's Hospice