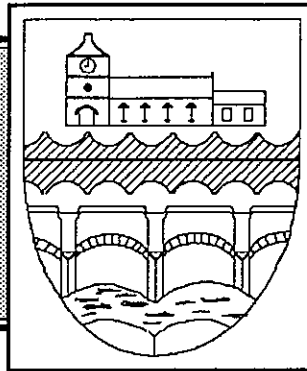


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**PARISH COUNCIL  
PICKINGS  
Meeting of  
28 February 1991**

8 Councillors present also members of the public

The public was there to make sure that the Parish Council was not neglecting its duties by failing to make enough song and dance about the need for the by-pass. On the whole, I think they were re-assured. Cllr Mrs Howard is in frequent (if rather one-sided) correspondence with the Department of Transport - she writes a letter, they respond with a blank postcard! A new question mark seems to creep in each month - is it more important to dual the road from Hexham? How long before they have to rebuild the bridge to carry the extra traffic? Is the A69 a so-called "Euroroute"? Has the work at Watson's garage been carried out properly? At least, we have the route settled (I think) and shouldn't have to suffer the indecisions Haltwhistle went through, if the money is ever forthcoming

Meanwhile, the Parish Council will be ready to take note of any spontaneous ac-

tion which the residents take for themselves - petitions, posters, protests or whatever.

The planning applications envisage further increases in the village population. There are to be five small houses on the South Tyne Garage site, and the Council looked favourably upon a proposal to build twenty more on the site of Tait's haulage yard provided that something really satisfactory is done about the sewerage in the area, and the access to the main road is improved.

The Community Association expressed its gratitude to the Council for its promise of £1,000 towards the cost of replacing the Community Centre floor

Cllr Mrs. Garrow was appointed to replace Mr. E. Waite OBE (who has resigned) as a Parish Council representative on the Board of Governors of the Shaftoe Charities.

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**HEALTH EDUCA-  
TION MEETING**

The next meeting will be at 7 o'clock in the Health Centre on Wednesday 20th March, when Drs High and Ford will give brief talks and invite questions on how to deal with common **Children's Conditions**. The subjects to be discussed will include:  
Burns and Scalds Rashes  
Cuts Head Injuries  
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## Lands End to John o' Groats

### Cycle Ride (Continued)

North-east of Bath you come into the Cotswolds, lovely hills and vales with old towns and picturesque villages. Our hostel that night was in one such village: we were enchanted by Duntisbourne Abbots and its peace and quiet. Mind, it's a very exclusive place in the widest sense - there is no school, shop or pub, only the charming cottages and a lovely old church. We decided we'd never be able to afford to live in such a spot, and certainly it looked as though there was a threshold of wealth below which one was not admitted.

Hitherto it had seemed as though we had made little progress northwards, but as we sped towards Stratford on the Fosse Way, we began to feel that we were beginning to really move. We lunched by the water at pretty Bourton-on-the-Water and realised at Moreton-in-the-Marsh that the road was getting busy, so we opted for quieter lanes again. And promptly got lost! After much map consulting, mutterings about English signposting and a few extra miles, we relocated ourselves on the A34. This final leg into Stratford was a busy trunk

road, by now the rain had returned and it was with some trepidation that we pedalled into the stream of traffic. After only a few hundred yards the traffic ground to a halt - we wove in and out of stationary vehicles all the way into town as they waited at road works.

We stayed on the Fosse Way after Stratford, skirting Coventry and Leicester. After Stratford's Large, modern hostel, our next target, Copt Oak in Leicestershire, was very different, a tiny converted village school. We met a newly-engaged couple who were out house-hunting... the fiancee lived and worked in Southampton, while her husband-to-be biked half an hour at 5.30 am to the station for a two-hour train journey into London. He never got home before 7.45 pm, and was looking to do a more or less similar routine from Leicestershire. We thought him crazy and said so and we all laughed. But doesn't it make you think - is that much money really all that necessary?

The following day was a Sunday, which was just as well because we went through the middle of Derby. By this time we were quite used to lugging heavy panniers, and decided we could lop a day off our itinerary simply by

doing a few more miles. Our intended stopover at 11 am in the Peak District was changed to Buxton. Yet again our optimism was misplaced. The grey skies darkened, the wind rose and in no time we were lashed by rain. Too late to turn back, we donned waterproofs and slogged twenty miles into a howling gale with blinding driven rain on a busy road. We stopped at the top of Harpur Hill to buy our usual supplies - by this time we were frozen and soaked, no waterproofs being able to keep out weather like that - then we splashed our teeth-chattering way down to the youth hostel. "We're closed on Sundays" said the warden. "Haven't you got a handbook?" Well, yes, but in our haste we'd not looked too closely.

Thoroughly miserable, we sought a bed and breakfast/ The first one eyed the two dripping tramps from the safety and comfort of his spacious residence and said "Seventeen pounds a night. Sorry, I've nowhere for bikes". We looked at the BMWs on his driveway, accepted that we were rather a sight, and tried elsewhere. Our saviour round the corner exclaimed "Goodness, you must be mad. Come on in and we'll get you dried out". Mad? Us?

Getting through the Peak District I'd always viewed as a Problem: no roads run north-south, and to travel north you either zig-zag across, or dodge very built-up and industrial areas. We'd decided to dodge up the western edge and do our best not to get lost. At one point we had to traverse the main A6 for a short distance. Monday morning traffic was a steady stream, and none of it less than 20 tonnes. We were assailed by a horrendous stench from one lorry - as it screamed and rocked past, I realised it was a load of pigs en route to the abattoir, and that overcrowding and fear were causing them to excrete. Houses on the roadside bore posters begging a by-pass. It was impossible not to sympathise - Ratcliffe Road is a haven by comparison - but I wondered who else would get the road if these people got their by-pass. Not in my backyard, thanks! The traffic got stuck at roadworks, and as we squeezed past it all, we also passed the pig wagon. A by-pass? All those pigs wanted was their rightful freedom. Cycling is a marvellous opportunity to muse, and I duly mused on a society, a species which inflicted such degradation not only on itself but on other

species, and which manipulates its own moral codes to justify some very immoral actions.

Senses and sensibilities being refreshed by a cup of tea - we cyclists are notoriously greedy tea-sinkers - and the arrival of the sunshine, our up-and-down and around-and-about route seemed easier and prettier after lunch. Mankinholes, an ancient hamlet high in the hills near Todmorden, was our hostel and we enjoyed the serene beauty of the hills in the evening sun.

We awoke to a grey, wet morning. Spirits sank into the puddles. We were aiming for Hawes, or even Keld, and this inclemency wasn't conducive. With the scenery masked by the murk - and it's some of the best in the country - all we could do was put our heads down and get on with it. At least it wasn't cold, even if our route via Burnley and Settle turned out to be mostly uphill. We reached Hawes at 5 pm when it stopped raining, so we got back on our bikes and went over the amazing Buttertubs Pass to Keld. We rewarded ourselves with an extra large dinner - it just would be the night that the hostel meal was wholesome and plentiful.

We declined other hostellers' offers of helping them eat it all, and when we eventually produced our own, one elderly lady remarked that now she could see why. "Where on earth do you put all that food?" She and her husband, it later transpired, were still keen cyclists past the age of 70 and were members of their local club, the Autumn Tints. Sadly, age had intervened to the extent that they were delighted if they managed a 16 mile day. Erstwhile tandemists, they told us of some friends who tandemmed the End to End. We spent a pleasant evening talking about where we'd cycled and what we'd done.

There was no stopping us now. Off up Tan Hill first thing in the morning to Brough, and we rolled into Middleton-in-Teesdale just in time to hear loudspeakers. We'd arrived in time to see the Milk Race, which had left Land's End the day after us. It was decided that we too could cover lots more ground if we had someone to carry baggage and provisions. It was also decided that if we'd had to keep up with the Race, they'd have had to have towed us. I gaped enviously as they flashed by.

will finish at about 9 pm with a break for tea/coffee) any other subject could be introduced from the audience, which will be limited to about 30.

Admission is free, you may make a contribution for tea or coffee. If you wish to attend, you are asked to notify the Health Centre (684216), before Wednesday, 12 noon, 20th March.

### **ST CUTHBERTS CHURCH COVENANT FUNDING PRO- GRAMME 1990**

The Parish Church is pleased to announce the success of its Covenant Funding Programme which was run last September and October. The response was magnificent and a final figure of £16,400 per year was achieved. This means that the church can confidently plan its work for the next 5 years in the knowledge that over 120 families in the parish have covenanted or pledged their donations to ensure that this regular income will come to the church each year.

Money will be carefully allocated to the various responsibilities of the church, i.e. pastoral work and mission, repairs and maintenance of buildings, children and work with young people, as well as the weekly running costs of the parish.

The amount achieved in the Funding Programme unfortu-

nately fell short of our target figure but the success is such that the shortfall can be raised through the special events which many people in the village enjoy anyway e.g. Summer Fete, Cheese and Wine evenings, Harvest Supper etc. We hope that people will continue to support these events.

The Parochial Church Council wishes to thank everyone who played a part in this Funding Programme and everyone who continues to support the church's work in any way. We intend to keep the village better informed in future, regarding the progress we make both in maintaining our church buildings and in the church's ministry to the people of the parish. We will also be publicising the various special events at the appropriate times. We are very encouraged by the response to this Funding Programme and by the increase in interest and attendance at the Parish Church.

Ben Bowman (Director of the Funding Programme)  
Keith Fletcher (Vicar)

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