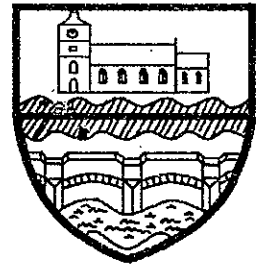


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REMINDER - VILLAGE FAIR
Monday 28th August 1995

There will be no Haydon News in August.
The September issue may be delayed for a week so that
results from the Village Fair, can be included.

Would appreciate your comments, letters and
articles for future issues - beef up the newsletter

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EDITORIAL

I was pondering over how to pop the question this month when, like Archimedes, I suddenly and loudly yelled "Eureka!". Both my adjacent neighbours must have thought that I'd flipped yet again, after seeing me last month throwing buckets of water down the drive trying to flood the Village. What had I discovered which made me suddenly burst into fluent Greek? Well folks the question was 'How can I persuade the readers to give a donation to *The Friends of Haydon Bridge*?'

First of all I must get your attention, so can you please switch the TV off for a minute - thanks. Now do you realise it is you that I am chatting to, and not someone else? - good. In posing my request the words of 'Yosser' in a popular TV series (*The Black Stuff*) from some years back come to mind, so with Scouse elegance:

"GISSA QUID"

Why do the *Friends* need money? Well for a start the Vicar has of necessity upped his rates for printing the 850 copies, then also since I became Editor a number of issues have contained an extra page which of course costs extra money to print. Provided the funds are available I would like to provide the extra page as frequently as possible however the Chairman and Treasurer may have apoplexies if we don't get some more funds in the kitty.

If you're well off you may give more than £1, but if you're a bit broke less than that will do. You can get the donation to us by either putting a coin into the collection box in John Clarke's shop or slipping your fiver into an envelope marked 'Haydon News' and leave it with Tony in the Post Office. Greater amounts will not be refused. Feel free to send a cheque direct to me.

Reading through back issues I can only find the December 1983 issue showing a request for donations, on that occasion the kitty had been drained because costs of £175 had been paid to Community Rural Aid in a legal dispute. I half promise you that whilst I am Editor I won't be scrounging again so please take that coin out of your pocket or purse now before you forget.

Thanking you in anticipation. Mitch

Proverbs

Too much money makes one mad

A rich man's joke is always funny

EDITOR'S BRIBE

Thought I was going to hear a bit of gossip one recent Saturday evening when Anna Coulson, the proprietor of the Oddfellows Restaurant, spoke to me. Most Saturday evenings I visit the restaurant for a meal and a couple of glasses of wine. Between courses Anna approached me and said she wished to put an advert in the Haydon News about Steven; a fair headed young man wearing blue and white gingham trousers hovered in the background - a Haydon News 'Scoop' at last!

However Steven turned out to be the new chef she had recently taken on. Anna would like food lovers to meet him so that he can demonstrate his highly accomplished culinary skills on them. Steven has all the necessary formal qualifications and has been the winner or runner up in many competitions.

I've no doubt it will not be long before the new chef changes his name to 'Stephan', pins his certificates to the wall adding £1 per certificate to the bill. Before this happens why not pay a visit as Anna suggests. Booking is advisable by ringing 01434-684755.

The bribe? Well your Editor has been offered a free meal if some of you turn up in response to this advertising article. So folks why not help me out by making a booking. I will be there as usual on Saturdays in July. Make a date, don't be late, or Mitch will have an empty plate.

THE CROSSWORD

There were 10 correct entries.
+D.Corbett, +P.Irving, +B&R Shout
*M.Moore, *M.Robson, M.Porter
R.Armstrong, P.Burgen, R. McVay
A.Scott,

Previous correct entries:

*T.Alexander, *K.Heslop, J. Heslop,
M.Hindle, Mrs Jackson, M.Nagel,
E.Rumney, T.A.Bates

+ Three correct entries to date
* Two correct entries to date.

The remainder are on the first rung of eligibility for the special competition later in the year. If you haven't already entered please do so this month.

On the 19th June 12 the entries were put into the hat and two winners drawn by Linda Thomas

Please remember that there will be no August issue of the Haydon News.

IN THE CHAMBER

Having decided to inform you more of what is going on it was some weeks ago that I thought it might be a good idea if I attended a couple of the Tynedale District Council meetings each month.

After the May Elections I spoke to District Councillor Bill Howard who gave me the date and time of the next full Tynedale Council Meeting, Tuesday June 6th at 6:30 pm. On that day I rang Tynedale and asked where meeting is held and how long did they last, the cheery person on the enquiry line informed me that the main Council Chamber was the venue and they normally last a couple of hours or so.

As Bill's wife, Marion, is now the Chairman of Tynedale District Council I thought I would honour the occasion of her inaugural meeting by wearing my best bib and tucker. Attired in my green outfit with burgundy waistcoat and tie I entered the Chamber just after 6:30. The place was quite full with four or five others sitting in the Public Gallery, the meeting had already started when I seated myself.

Marion looked the part in the Chair with chain of office around her shoulders whilst the Queen stood regally behind her, well at least a splendid portrait of Her Majesty high on the wall did. Cllr Bill Howard was sat on the back bench in front of me. Hierarchy now established I listened.

After about fifteen minutes I became aware that the Councillors on the benches in front of me were looking over their shoulders at me. To my left the other Public Gallery people were shuffling pieces of paper. I smiled at the Councillors.

Now as a child my father always said "Stan, look daft and you'll get a lang ride for a penny" - I continued to smile at the Councillors. The people to the left continued shuffling papers.

Madam Chairman, looking directly at me then said: "Could members of the public (me) please leave as the next agenda item is to be held in camera." Which is a polite way of saying 'Buzz Off'. At 6:50 I promptly left leaving the people to the left still shuffling papers, the rest of Council Members redirecting their faces to the Queen.

There was nothing discussed worth reporting - But I'll be back there again soon, hoping not to be chucked out again.

SBM

PARISH COUNCIL PICKINGS
22 June 1995

The first day of summer, and with it glorious sunshine and high temperatures made most people present wish they were outdoors. Certainly the Chairman, Mr Loyd, hastened the meeting along in a well structured and friendly manner as he certainly wanted to enjoy the first evening of summer. Already relishing it was the Haydon News reporter who failed to turn up leaving Mitch to take notes.

The meeting was attended by 8 Councillors in total, the Hexham Courant reporter was present. A shorter than normal meeting had little of real substance. Some points were:

- A reply had been received from GONE on behalf of the Minister of Transport in response to the Parish Council letter concerning the line of the By-Pass. Basically the six page response said that there seemed to be some misinformation circulating about the position of the Government Office for the North East and they had not suggested that the line be removed, just the opposite they said and the supporting documentation GONE had sent showed this. Mr Loyd summarised by saying that it looked as if the Parish Council had been sold a Red Herring [by Tynedale Council it would appear Ed.], everyone agreed and no discussion took place on the subject.

- The Police had visited and wrote, to the residents at the top of North Bank, concerning dangerous parking and it is understood that the Police suggestions have been accepted by the residents.

- Two local Planning Applications were studied and agreed.

- Complaints have been received that some individuals are walking their dog's on the Shaftoe School football field and letting them foul the area. Dog owners are requested to consider that the children use this area and to take their animals elsewhere. SBM

William Carruthers
celebrated his 25th June
80th Birthday
with a surprise party in the
Haydonian WMC
on Saturday June 24th 1995

Golden Wedding
Congratulations to
Harry and Nancy Watson
Shaftoe Street
Friday 23rd June 1995

LANGLEY W.I.



Langley W.I.'s Annual Trip took them to the Carlisle based textile company - Linton Tweeds. This very successful company provides material to some of the top fashion houses in the world - including Chanel, Jäger and Jean Muir.

Members were able to browse in the Factory Shop and purchase lengths of material and also linger in the adjacent Craft Shop. This was followed by a video show and a tour of the factory, showing the various stages of production. Of particular interest was the dyeing process, where experts produced the colours demanded by the designers - no easy task. Jean Muir, for example, used chalk on top of chalk to achieve the colour she wanted, but this was very difficult to reproduce and required a high degree of expertise. Chairman, Leslie Walker, remarked that the Company's success was due to being able to meet the very high standards demanded by the Fashion Houses.

A splendid buffet supper was provided by the Company and rounded off a most enjoyable evening.

The ancient eastern technique of reflexology was the theme of Mrs Cox's talk at the June meeting of Langley W.I. This therapy is becoming very popular in the western world especially as it relaxes the whole body and mind and is therefore invaluable as a release from tension. It is useful as a preventative for diseases and is also a speedy and accurate method of pinpointing and treating disorders.

Mrs Cox then demonstrated the foot massage technique on a volunteer who pronounced it very relaxing and therapeutic.

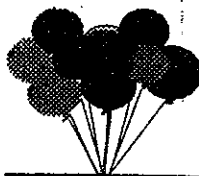
Members reported back on the various activities which had taken place in May - these included the celebrity lunch at Alnwick, which was a great success, as was the ramble at Catton. The group meeting at Allenheads and the coffee evening at Whitfield were also well attended by members of Langley who thoroughly enjoyed both events. The quiz evening at Henshaw was equally enjoyable as all teams were very evenly matched and the Langley team are already looking forward to next year when they hope to progress further.

M. Nagel

HAYDON BRIDGE FAIR

Arthritis & Rheumatism Council

AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 28th



We hope you will all support this now annual event with all the usual attractions. This year the theme is - **Disney**

Time so start creating your fancy dress and painting some wonderful pictures for the competition:

'My favourite Disney character and me at the Bridge fair'

Any offers of help, prizes, produce will be appreciated. Watch out for Posters nearer the time.

Trade stalls will be allocated a pitch for a small percentage of takings - provided they are felt to be in keeping with the day.

Phone Eileen 684505 Hilary Rutherford

The Haydon Bridge Branch set up its stall at the Corbridge Car Boot Sale on Sunday May 28th. Although the weather forecast promised showers the customers were there in force and we only got lightly dampened once. The result was a magnificent £156.50 to aid research into this disease. Many thanks to all those who donated the varied items.

So, having sold most of our stock we are ready to take on more for next years outing. Therefore I appeal to anyone having a clear-out or replacing small household items, don't throw it away if it is still in working order. If you ring me on 684355 I can arrange to collect.

Don't forget our Strawberry Teas in Brigwood on Saturday July 15th, wet or fine, hopefully the latter.

NEXT ISSUE OF HAYDON NEWS - SEPTEMBER 1995

ALL COPY TO THE EDITOR: S.B. MITCHELL, HIGH BRINDLES HEUGH HOUSE LANE OR ALTERNATIVELY HAND IN AT THE POST OFFICE BY 20 AUGUST PLEASE

BY-PASS UPDATE

Judging by the reaction we have received from the letter writing campaign most residents of the Village must have posted their letter - Thank you IT WORKED. The replies you received claimed we were misinformed - this was not true, we brought to your attention the doubt that existed of our By-Pass route being included in the Tynedale District Local Plan, which governs plans for the district for the next ten years.

The doubt was created by the fact that DoT. failed to comment on the Draft Plan therefore inclusion of our By-Pass route was deferred. We did speculate that if our route was not included in the District Plan would it still exist in ten years, we felt with things as they were this was fair comment.

The DoT. has now agreed our route should be included in the draft plan, though they still maintain that the construction of our By-Pass will not take place in the life span of this plan.

To make any headway we must get our route included in the Road Building Programme - this means lobbying Ministers until they take notice, so we intend to distribute another letter for you to post - please keep supporting us, we need to cause as much mayhem at London as we did to the Newcastle Office.

In answer to comments in the Haydon News last time. Mitch seemed to think that the major repairs in process at the moment were just routine maintenance - as he says to repair a worn out road, but surely that section of road would not be worn out with the traffic diverted around the village, the bridge at Low Hall would not have to meet Euro standards if it was no longer part of the Euro Route.

These repairs have taken place every summer since 1991 and will continue as long as [? Ed.] in excess of 13,000 vehicles a day pass along our road, this figure being our own count, we dispute the figure recently quoted and question the Highways Office how this figure has decreased from 4 years ago.

Eileen Charlton 21st June 1995

A PUZZLE

Do the Oligarchs of Haydon Bridge treat the Common People like Ragtag and Bobtail ?

As Editor I am both legally and morally obliged to ensure that the information in this newsletter is both factual and correct. One previous Editor was threatened with legal action because they unwittingly included an erroneous article, I have no wish to cause a repetition. When in doubt I usually refer to the source of information be it an Individual, Document, Company, Council, or Government Department. In my role, and especially in this viewpoint column I will also try to produce some balance by taking into account other readers views and opinions. My own personal views may be somewhat different. Bearing all of this in mind I must comment on the By-Pass letter to the left.

The letter sent did contain erroneous information which has received adverse comment from both The Minister and our Member of Parliament. The facts are :-

The By-Pass always was and still is in the Tynedale Draft Plan. In the December issue of the Haydon News I provided a page containing all items concerning the Parish this information was extracted from the Plan which I had personally purchased in order to let you know what was in it, the By-Pass is clearly shown. At my behest a Public Meeting was held on December 8th 1994, present was Mrs Helen Winter (Assistant Director Forward Planning, Tynedale) who has the responsibility for developing the draft document into a final document which will eventually become a statutory instrument. She confirmed the By-Pass information as shown in the Plan.

Following Public Comment on the Plan (September - December 1994) a Local Plan Working Group was set up by Tynedale Council to consider the 3,500 public comments and see what changes need to be made before the document is eventually finalised towards the end of 1995. A comprehensive and detailed response was made by the Director Environment and Transport to Tynedale on 15th December 1994 which confirmed that the By-Pass line was still protected.

On the 10th April the Tynedale Working Group produced a report of their comments to the Draft Plan and insofar as Housing Development on the line of the four Tynedale By-passes were concerned stated "Approve existing policy as relates to Haltwhistle by-pass and defer any other new schemes for further discussion with the Highway Authority and the Department of Transport." The Tynedale Planning Committee met on 24 April and Cllr Marion Howard asked Mrs Winter 'why inclusion of the Haydon Bridge By Pass in the Deposit Draft Plan was deferred for further discussion.' Mrs Winter explained 'that although she had received no response from DoT she understood that it was now unlikely that this by-pass would be built before 2006 and that she was therefore unsure as to whether the line could continue to be protected in the Plan and that discussions with DoT were necessary..... before Policy could be finalised' Marion explained the situation to the Parish Council Meeting on 27th April. Both she and Mrs Winter made press statements in the Courant on 5th May. Mrs Winter saying " I was told there was no chance at all of the bypass being built during the plan period [1996-2006]"

I personally doubt if anyone in a Government Department would ever make such a categorical comment, at the 27th April Parish Council Meeting County Councillor Purdue expressed these same doubts. In fact the Highways Agency made a statement in writing on 10th May '..... it is equally unlikely that the Bypass will be built by then [2001].' To me this makes practical sense as even if the Haydon Bridge Bypass were included in the Roads Programme tomorrow I cannot foresee that it could be completed before at least 7 years had elapsed, there are many procedures to go through including: land purchase; detailed surveys; objections; tendering and evaluation; building it with construction of a new bridge also being necessary. Elaine of course is quite correct in saying that to make headway we must get the By-Pass included into the Roads Programme - but let us make sure that facts we use are correct. Regarding Elaine's comment on my response to Dr High's Courant letter - I do of course agree that the road would not be worn out if we had a By-Pass but the fact of the matter is that we haven't, nor will we have one in the immediate future. The A69 through the Parish is worn out and must be repaired and upgraded to meet European standards, the last thing we need is a clapped out road, indeed by maintaining the road as a Euroroute we stand a better chance of a By-Pass.

Mutterings in the Village concerning the presence of a large number of young people during School time have no foundation, says Enid Garrow. It is 'Exam Time' and they are free to leave School premises. Where else can they go ? They must come to School, on the School transport, or pay the cost of a service bus or train. As far as Enid is concerned she is pleased to see them around the War Memorial (as long as they don't leave their litter there). What they need is our support and prayers. Both cost nothing but mean a lot.

Yet more mutterings - this time from a respected Haydonian of very long standing who has asked me to mention if it would be possible to get the small border easterly adjacent to Cowan's Butchers tidied up. The reader feels that this mars the attractive appearance of John Martin Street where all residents keep the grass verges in front of their homes beautifully manicured.

Have a nice holiday and summer - hope to see you in September. Mitch

BY-PASS CORRESPONDENCE

By mid June some 130 people had sent in their letter to John Davison at Wellbar House. The blanket reply sent by the Government Office of the North East (GONE) was:

TYNEDALE DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN

I am afraid that whoever produced the letter was misinformed about the Department's attitude to the Haydon Bridge Bypass.

The Government Office for the North East approved the Tynedale District Council policy to protect the line of this Bypass and, more recently, the Department of Transport Highways Agency confirmed that this proposal should be protected.

John Davison 24 May 1995

As I explained last month I telephoned John and he has also sent me a separate reply as follows:

TYNEDALE DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN

Thank you for your telephone call of 22 May concerning the letter of complaint which is currently being circulated in Haydon Bridge. Enclosed is a copy of the response which is being issued by this office.

For your further information the Government Office for the North East which, in this case, represents the interest of both the DOE and the DOT, approved the protection of the Haydon Bridge Bypass on 15 December 1994, and the new DOT Highways Agency which is now responsible for all Trunk Roads and Motorways endorsed that approval on 10 May by stating that the alignment was protected from proposed developments under Article 15(1) (b) of the GDO 1988.

John Davison 25 May 1995

On 7th June I went to the Bypass group meeting and based on what I heard at the meeting I have directed some pertinent questions to GONE - they will reply in due course.

SBM

THE DIRTY OLD MEN

I usually pop into the Haydon for a drink on Saturday evenings. One such evening in early June it was so full that I had no alternative but to sit with 'Owld Tawny' and 'Gerry Attric', who most people steer clear of as they tend to ramble on about pre 1960 matters, hence the spare seats at their table.

As usual the conversation was about the 'awld days'. I was asked if I had read their articles in the May and June Haydon News on 'Gentlemen in Black Velvet Suits' and the 'Bankside Handicap'. Having read the former but not the latter I had to admit to 'Gerry Attric' that I had not yet read his article.

Despite my protests the old fellow insisted on giving me the full and unexpurgated version of the event, he must have told me the tale about three times. He did not of course consider that after three or more 'broons' his voice had risen by twenty decibels or so and everyone in the lounge bar and restaurant were hearing his bawdy utterances. I wanted to crawl under the seat in embarrassment.

Fortunately the story telling stopped suddenly when 'Owld Tawny' nudged 'Gerry Attric' just as a really pretty young lass from another table passed by where we were sitting. She was being discretely followed by a hot blooded local lad, obviously wanting to 'chat her up' before she reached the public bar and games room where the competition would be a lot stiffer.

'Owld Tawny' gazing after the young couple said: "Do you remember when we used to chase after the lasses like that ?" I'm sure that there were tears glistening in the eyes of 'Gerry Attric' as, showing his age, he sighed and wearily replied "Aye I do remember chasing after them, but for the life of me I can't remember why."

A.Resident

Was the 'Bankside Handicap' no more than a 'Spoon and Egg Race' ?

Did the 'Bankside Handicap' cause a rush of blood to the head ?

First Love

We had our joyous springtime
you and I
we filled our days of summer
without a tear or sigh
we welcomed with a laughing grace
the falling leaves of Autumn's face
bleak winter brought to you and I
a sad end to love
a long goodbye

Sylvia

Where love fails, we espy all faults

IT HAPPENED IN JULY

- First Potatos arrived in Britain 1786
- Professional football legalised 1885
- 999 Emergency available in 1937
- Andy Pandy shown on TV 1950
- Editor married ex-wife in 19**
- Bread Rationing starts in 1946
- Bread rationing ended in 1948
- Food rationing ended in 1954
- Elvis recorded 'Hound Dog' & "Don't be Cruel" in 1956
- Jim Reeves died in 1964
- Peter Sellers died 1980

OWLD TAWNY



Owld Tawny he is famous for
His nature and village folklore
Beware the source of many a tale
It comes from a bottle of
Newcastle Broon Ale

Sing to tune of 'Jamaica Farewell'

'D'

It is seldom indeed that one parts on
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The holiday motorist approaching Haydon Bridge on Saturday 27th May would have been pleased to see that the traffic lights had been safely stowed away for the Holiday weekend, but surprised to find that in their place was a line of Scouts, Cubs and parents busily brandishing hats, buckets and paddling pools in search of small change. To the seasoned villager, however, the answer was simple - the Scouts are after another minibus, and collecting a Mile of Pennies to raise funds.

We decided a year ago at our Annual General Meeting that a new minibus was needed. Recent events had drawn attention to the question of safety in minibuses, and the fitting of seat belts had become a priority. Rather than fit belts into our existing ten year old minibus, it was decided to purchase a newer, larger bus to enable us to carry the same number of fully belted-up children as we could squeeze into the old bus without belts.

This has proved more difficult than it might at first have seemed, and we have had to raise our estimates of the cost of such a bus since we started fund-raising. By this year's AGM we found ourselves a year down the road and apparently not much nearer our goal. Fortunately a flurry of recent activity has helped us to get much closer in the last couple of weeks. The two most recent fund-raising events have been the Mile of Pennies and on the preceding Saturday a joint Charity Auction with the PTA at the First School. The auction raised about £1300 to split between the two organisations, and the Mile itself raised about £200 (I think we're still counting the last few pennies!). Because of the wet weather on the day we didn't try to lay the coins out, but our resident mathematician informs me that assuming all the coins were pennies, the distance reached was approximately 1.43 miles, give or take a few quid.

The result of the last two weeks is that we are now much nearer getting a bus than I had thought. We estimate that a suitable vehicle will cost us about £12,000; we now have approaching £9,000, so the light is beginning to show at the end of the tunnel. May I therefore take this opportunity to thank the numerous individuals and organisation who have helped us with contributions great and small. We hope to be able to show off the fruits of your generosity quite soon. Once again, many thanks, and keep up the good work.

Ian Foster - Group Scout Leader

Shaftoe Trust First School Association and the 1st Haydon Bridge Scouts would like to thank all those individuals and local businesses who donated either items or pledges to be auctioned at the Grand Auction held on Sat. 20th May.

The auction was a huge success and raised over £1,350 to be equally divided between the School and the Scouts.

JUNK MAIL

Are you fed up with the amount of junk mail you receive? If you want to stop most of it send the following letter to:

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Your address

Dear Sirs,
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(BLOCK CAPITALS)

Yours faithfully

It worked for me. You don't even need a stamp and if you do not have an envelope to hand cut out a rectangle the size of a postcard from an old breakfast cereal packet and use that.

This will NOT stop the Haydon News.

VOTING STATISTICS - HAYDON

In the May District Council Elections a total of 1622 were eligible to vote at the Haydon Bridge and Langley Polling stations. From the count the following can be shown:-

M. Howard 488 Labour
W. Howard 446 Labour
T. Stephenson 306 Conservative

Votes cast = 488 + 446 + 306 = 1240

Approximately 750 (46%) of the electorate voted and as each were entitled to two votes the maximum number votes that could have been cast was:-

$$2 \times 750 = 1500$$

We can work out how many people voted for one person by:-

$$1500 - 1240 = 260$$

It is, of course, impossible to work out who voted for who however if you assume that some people voted on party lines and that all people who cast one vote actually voted for for Thomas Stephenson we can do the following sum with his votes:-

$$306 - 260 = 46$$

This can be used to show that 46 people who voted for Thomas also voted for someone else. Coincidentally Marion received 42 votes more than Bill. This shows that you can prove anything or nothing with postulation

The following table shows turnout from areas with more than 30 Electors and where 46% or more turned out. The Langley turnout is also shown

Electorate versus Voting Turnout

	E	V	%
Brigwood	38	25	66%
Greenwich Gardens	73	45	62%
Langley Gardens	133	75	56%
Church Street	32	18	54%
Strother Close	94	51	54%
Ratcliffe Road	85	45	53%
Heugh House Lane	33	17	52%
Belmont Gardens	46	22	48%
Hordley Acres	77	35	46%
Langley	119	50	42%

Any inadvertent errors in any of the above figures are my fault alone.

Source - Register of Electors which is available in Electoral Office, Market Street, Hexham

SBM

VILLAGE APPRAISAL

Dear Friends,

A further meeting of the Haydon Bridge Village Appraisal group took place on Wednesday 17th May. At the meeting, it was decided that a committee would be formed, consisting of Eileen Charlton, Michael Rumney and Enid Garrow. These people, along with Bill, Marion, Kate and myself can act as contact points for people wishing to bring ideas forward for the appraisal. They will also help us to look for funding for the venture.

The meeting discussed one aspect of the appraisal - the environment - you can see from the list of ideas attached that the discussions were very productive. These ideas will give us some indication of the questions we will need to ask the whole village when we do our survey.

As well as being fruitful, I'm sure everyone who attended will agree that the discussions were very enjoyable. We would welcome your attendance at the next meeting which will take place in the Community Centre on Thursday 6th July at 7 pm.

If any other members of the group or residents wish to come along they would be most welcome.

P.S. The file with details of community organisations is nearly complete. If you have anything you wish to add or have not so far made a contribution, but would like to, please let us know as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Keda Norman

ON THE RIGHT TRACK ?

Your Guide to Public Rights of Way in Northumberland and is published by

**NORTHUMBERLAND
COUNTRYSIDE
SERVICE**

In Libraries and Tourist Offices now
A handy little pamphlet

Overheard a young copper saying to colleague " Aren't the general public looking much older nowadays ? "

Bored with the Goldfish ? Tip a thimbleful of Vodka into the bowl - after a few minutes his eyeballs will bulge and he will start swimming about in an erratic and funny manner

VILLAGE APPRAISAL 17th May Meeting

Landscaping.

At the meeting the following areas were suggested for landscaping.

- a) Riverside North and South
- b) Grassed Strothers Close and other grassed areas in village.

The following ideas were the suggestions for the landscaping.

- a. Flowery trees
- b. Spring and Summer bulbs
- c. More Security.
- d. Dog loo's and poop scoop schemes.

Re location of Factory sites.

It was suggested that the Kattan and other Factories on Church street could be relocated to Available Sites on Station Road, in order to release land in the centre of the village for sheltered housing and recreational purposes.

We need to point out that land binding values are a necessary consideration. As is the consent of the present private occupiers.

Recreation areas

Consideration was given to the following ideas.

- 1) Hard games area at football field, old tennis courts site, Martin Close, riverbank area.
- 2) Countryside walks and trails with child play areas dotted along the pathways.
- 3) Bowling green to be sited within areas released by relocating the factories.
- 4) Further use of sports hall for indoor tennis.

Support Services and Information

- 1) Handicap considerations on all aspects of change.
- 2) Traffic Measures in all area of village
- 3) Maps to include walks etc and leaflets
- 4) Better sign posting of walks, toilets telephones etc.,
- 5) Lighting.

From the business meeting [22nd May]

This is brief summary the information has yet to be sorted

Toilets, green spaces, parking, housing and the bypass and tourism impact on the business, were all discussed.

Keda Norman

SUCKER - AN ALLEGEDLY TRUE STORY

A guy in Haydon Bridge suddenly had his Hoover pack up on him. Expecting to have to buy a new one he dropped it into the place that a lot of us use in Hexham. Anticipating the worst he popped in on his way home from work and was delighted when the gadgy said he'd fixed it and the bill was £22.50. Haydonian pleased as punch gave him £25 and told him to keep the change. As he was walking through the door he asked " By the way what was wrang with it ? ", the entrepreneur replied " The bag was full hinny ! "

CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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WORK IN THE PARISH CHURCH

I am pleased to report that the re-wiring of the Parish Church is now complete and the overhaul of the organ (in memory of Norman Suckling) is now well underway. By the end of July all the work will be complete and the Parish Church will be clean and back to normal. During the organ work there will be some disruption. Music is being provided by a Digital Piano (Electric Keyboard) and there is a little mess with organ pipes and various other bits lying about. Please bear with us - it will be worth it in the end.

Keith Fletcher

SCRIPTURE UNION HOLIDAY CLUB

July 14th - 28th

We have been chosen again by Scripture Union to host a "Holiday Club" in Haydon Bridge this year. This we are doing as an extension of the Hexham Club which this year celebrates its 25th Anniversary.

Those who took part last year are looking forward to a week of activities, songs, videos, and games. We will be meeting at the URC church in the mornings for the activities etc. and in the afternoon the 7 - 10 year olds are invited to Hexham to join in with the activities there while the 4 - 6 year olds will stay in Haydon Bridge for their own activities.

Those who are older will be invited to spend the evening in Hexham for entertainment, quizzes, games and discussions.

All young people are welcome to come and join in. There will be details available nearer the time on the Church and village Notice Boards.

Lindsay Gray

SERVICES AT BELTINGHAM WITH HENSHAW

2nd July - Pentecost 4
10am Holy Communion at Henshaw

9th July - Pentecost 5
9am Holy Communion at Beltingham
6pm Evensong at Beltingham

16th July - Pentecost 6
10am Holy Communion at Henshaw

23rd July - Pentecost 7
10 am Matins at Beltingham

30th July - Pentecost 8
All join together at Haydon Bridge
today at 10.30am

6th August - Pentecost 9
10am Holy Communion at Beltingham

13th August - Pentecost 10
9am Holy Communion at Henshaw
6pm Evensong at Henshaw

20th August - Pentecost 11
10am Holy Communion at Beltingham

27th August - Pentecost 12
10am Matins at Henshaw

NOTE: Services of Holy Communion during July follow the Order of the Book of Common Prayer. During August Rite A is used instead. Matins and Evensong are from the Book of Prayer all of the time.

HAYDON BRIDGE METHODIST CHAPEL

JULY 8TH & 9TH

Come to the Waters

A series of Praise Workshops led by East Birmingham Renewal Group with Roger Jones.

Saturday 8th July 10 am - 4 pm
Faith Lunch

Sunday 9th - join us and the team for
worship
10.30 am Family Service
6pm Prayer Service
8 pm Rivers of Living Water



Come and be refreshed.

Walter Murray Charity
No. 501500

The Trustees of Walter Murray Charity HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that they have passed a Resolution under the provisions of the Charities Act 1993 for the following purpose:-

Authorising the expenditure of the Charity capital as income.

Any interested person wishing to make representations regarding this said Resolution may do so, quoting the Registered reference number above, by writing to the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales at:

Graeme House
Derby Square
Liverpool L2 7SB

K. Fletcher: Trustee

Mothers' Union

Monday 3rd July
2 pm 3-Deanery Festival in
Hexham Abbey

Thursday 6th July
10 am - 3 pm Service Day in
Newcastle Cathedral

Wednesday 26th July
7 pm Service at All Hallows'
Henshaw followed by meeting at
the home of Shield Dorey

SUMMER FETE

In spite of it being a rather wet day St Cuthbert's Annual Gift Day and Fete was still a success. No doubt the weather kept some people away and it reduced the number of stalls and activities we could have but we were still well supported. A final figure has not yet been reached, as there are some late donations still coming in but we expect that something in the region of £1,600 will have been raised. Many thanks to all those who supported us.

K.F.

SERVICES AT THE PARISH CHURCH

2nd July - Pentecost 4
8 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Worship for All
6 pm United Service at United
Reform Church

9th July - Pentecost 5
10.30 am Parish Eucharist

16th July - Pentecost 6
8 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Eucharist
6.30 pm Deanery Evensong at
Alston

23rd July - Pentecost 7
10.30 am Parish Eucharist
3 pm Evensong at Haydon Old
Church

30th July - Pentecost 8
10.30 am Joint Eucharist with
Beltingham & Henshaw at Haydon
Bridge

6th August - Pentecost 9
8 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Worship for All
6 pm United Evensong at the Parish
Church

13th August - Pentecost 10
10.30 am Parish Eucharist

20th August - Pentecost 11
8 am Holy Communion
10.30 am Morning Prayer
6.30 pm Deanery Evensong at
Whitley Chapel

27th August
10.30 am Parish Eucharist
3 pm Evensong at Haydon Old
Church

HAYDON BRIDGE METHODIST CHAPEL DIARY FOR JULY & AUGUST

1st July
2.15 pm Annual Summer Fair

2nd July
10.30 am Morning Service led by Rev.
David Perkins
6 pm United Evening Service at United
Reform Church

8th July
10 am - 4 pm Praise Workshops led by
East Birmingham Renewal Group

9th July
10.30 am Family Service led by Roger
Jones and the East Birmingham Renewal
Group
6 pm Prayer Service
8 pm "Rivers of Living Water", prayers,
praise and ministry with EBRG

July 16th
9.30 am Early Communion with Rev
David Perkins, breakfast follows
10 am Family Service with Rev. David
Perkins
6 pm Evening Service led by Mr Ridley
Reay

July 23rd
10.30 am Morning Service leader to be
arranged
6 pm Evening Service led by Mr David
Stott

July 24th-28th
Scripture Union Holiday Club for 4-15
year olds - 10am - 4pm Meet 9.45 URC

30th July
10.30 am Morning Service led by Miss
Gittus

6 pm Evening Communion Service led
by Rev David Perkins

6th August
10.30 am Morning Service led by Mr
John Green
6 pm United Evening Service at St.
Cuthbert's
8 pm Prayers, praise and ministry.

13th August
10.30 am Morning Service led by Rev
David Perkins
6 pm Evening Service led by Mrs Firth

20th August
10.30 am Morning Family Service led
by Mr Ray Tipping
6 pm Evening Service led by Rev Trevor
Staniforth

27th August
10.30 am Morning Service led by Miss
V Little
6 pm Evening Service led by Rev Jo
Clemson.

3rd September
9.30 am Early Communion with Rev
David Perkins
10.30 am Morning Service led by Mr
Mark Knowles
6.30 pm Circuit Service at Trinity - Cars
from Church Street 6 pm.

EVERY FRIDAY

at the Methodist Chapel
6.30 - 7.30 Youth club for under
10's
7.45 - 8.45 Study Club for 11+

HEALTH CENTRE NEWS

SUNSHINE - FRIEND OR FOE?

Recent research has cast doubt on the value of sun screens with greater than "factor 15" values. Nonetheless, it is unquestionably desirable for the white races to shield their skins from sunlight because of the risk of skin cancer. In our home territory we are close to or under the ozone hole and on holiday further south the solar radiation is more intense.

There is a link between exposure to sunlight and adverse changes in the bodies immune system too. People with certain kinds of malignant disease of the lymphatic system also have more skin cancers.

On the other hand - there is good evidence that people deprived of sunlight are more prone to depression -

Seasonal Affective Disorder or SAD for short. Strict adherence to Islamic dress codes in the form of the *hejab* (the all enveloping black garment) predisposes to the development of rickets - vitamin D deficiency (ones skin makes vitamin D when exposed to sunlight). So what is the public to do? Carefully graded lengths of exposure to sunlight is less harmful than sudden and intense burning. On holiday, do not throw your haddock white body onto the sand and roast for hours from the first day. Always use a factor 15 sunscreen - and reapply on coming out of the sea. Sensible garments and hats will help.

TURKEY TROTS. MONTEZUMA'S REVENGE. DELHI BELLY

We get frequent requests for tablets to bung up the bowels of holiday makers who have been laid low by some hideous foreign gut rot.

There are a number of tablets which can be bought from the chemist for this purpose. The preferred way of dealing with the problem is to spend some time resting in a cool place, starve (nothing solid by mouth until the diarrhoea stops - if there is nothing in there it is impossible to have diarrhoeal), drink very large quantities of fluids - preferably bottled or boiled water (Cola, 7 Up, etc. will do at a pinch). Small children may need salt replacement and this can also be bought or got on prescription.

OUT OF HOURS CALLS

83% of GPs have voted to reject the government's offer on out of hours work and sanctions have been called for. Sounds ominous at first reading but do not be deceived, there is much more to this than reaches the newspaper headlines. There are no circumstances in which the ill will suffer. It is salutary to recall that there is a westernised country in the Mediterranean where the doctors did truly withdraw their labour - the action backfired because the death rate plummeted during the strike and rose again when the doctors went back to work!

You may have heard of new fangled arrangements for night calls in big cities in which large numbers of doctors share the burden, being on duty for a whole city every fifteen nights or more. An experiment has been conducted locally to see if something similar could be worked out in and around Tynedale. We have fewer doctors in the area (about 30 amongst 60+ thousand people) than most big cities and the distances are much greater. A city GP who came to talk about his experience can drive across his patch in fifteen minutes.

PERSONAL MESSAGE

Someone has borrowed my HUMMER video and I cannot remember who it is. I would be most grateful for its return.

At the request of the local GPs, I have collected information on all the out of hours calls for a month and studied the total picture of demand.

On one Sunday in May there were 44 calls requiring a home visit. If a single GP had been doing them he or she would have had to travel two thousand six hundred and forty miles in the day - allowing for ten minutes at each call this gives an AVERAGE speed on the road of 158mph! I wonder what the local constabulary would have to say - is there a speed great enough to give a picture too blurred to read on the roadside cameras?

Overall, I don't think this is going to work. Even if we divide the area in two and Allendale, ourselves, Humshaugh & Wark and

Bellingham were to cooperate, the maximum return journey to two patients would be 134 miles and take 3 hours 42 minutes - in good weather.

REDECORATIONS

It is now six years since the Health Centre was built and time has taken its toll on the decorations. We would welcome people's ideas and preferences about colours, papers, carpets etc. If inspiration strikes you or you find any feature of the present colours or materials particularly good or bad drop a note into the suggestion box or give it to the receptionists.

ANNUAL REPORT FIGURES

Minor operations done = 176

Patents seen in treatment room by nurses = 2483

	94-95	(93-94)
Seen AM surgery	4351	(3843)
Seen PM surgery	3729	(3633)
TOTAL	8080	(7476)
Failed to keep appointment	119	(90)
New visits	385	(445)
Revisits	618	(617)
Night/weekend visits	365	(428)

FRUIT AND VEG

Saying simply "Eat more fruit and vegetables" doesn't really help much. People need to know in simple number terms what will be most beneficial for them.

A total of at least 400grams (or about one pound in English weight) every day is the current recommendation for adults. This should be made up of a variety of things - a pound of carrots every day would not be wise! Anyone appearing in surgery with prominent front teeth saying "What's up Doc?" in a corny American accent will be definitely suspect. If you divide the 400grams into five portions of 80 grams each and aim to have about 80 grams of five different things you will be right on target.

Drinking fruit or vegetable juices does not count though pureed material is OK. Dried or frozen items are fine though they may contain different levels of nutrients to the raw materials. Nuts and preserves do not count. Fruit and veg in "ready prepared foods" are to be counted. Baked beans and other pulses are good nutritional fare - the natural consequences of digesting them will limit the quantity eaten.

LET THERE BE LIGHT!

We have a new operating light in our treatment room, suspended from the ceiling as is best. There are certain subtle advantages to being able to see what is going on!