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## Steve Reynolds wins 2015 Crosspool community award



The dedication of the Crosspool Forum vice chairman Steve Reynolds has been recognised with him being presented with the 2015 Crosspool Person of the Year Award.

The award, set up in 2013 by Crosspool Forum on a suggestion by St Columba's minister Reverend Frances Eccleston, acknowledges commitment, accomplishment and achievement by individuals in the neighbourhood.

Crosspool's first award winner was Sue Havenhand, the retired headteacher of Lydgate Junior School. Last year's winner was Forum Chairman, Ian Hague.

For the 2015 award, voting slips were compiled from a shortlist of people, nominated by the public and published in the Crosspool Clarion. Steve Reynolds, received the most votes, and was presented with an engraved tankard and certificate at October's open meeting.

## Crosspool Calendar 2016

A new calendar featuring Crosspool scenes is on sale in local shops.

Many of the photos in the calendar are once again taken by local residents and there are also some archive shots showing familiar locations looking very different from times gone by.

The 2016 Crosspool calendar is available for just £4 from the Crosspool Pets, Enhance, GT News and Charisma.

Last year's calendar sold out after two reprints so get yours while you can!

Money raised will help Crosspool Forum funds for local events and improvements to our neighbourhood.



## CROSSPOOL FORUM OPEN MEETING

Thursday 28th January 2016 7.00pm

St Columba's Church Hall Manchester Road Crosspool  
Local councillors, the police, council representatives on local issues.

Guest speakers: South Yorkshire Water (new Rivelin filtration plant)

Keep your eye on the "Spar notice board" & "Crosspool News"

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## **Computer Scam:** **Beware!**

Residents with Microsoft Windows computers should be aware of a computer scam which is on the increase and has been reported in the area. Scammers are phoning residents to inform them about problems with their Microsoft Windows software. They are then asked to log on to a website so that this problem can be resolved.

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Microsoft DO NOT contact users in this way and, if contacted, you should ignore any instructions given.

We reserve the right to edit pieces for both length and contents



## **Letter Box**

### **Litter Still A Problem** **Around the Precinct**

Hi, I wonder if we as a community could make Crosspool even better by tackling the litter around the shop area. Behind Archers and the chemists etc.. is awful with dumped rubbish. Another area for concern is behind Pappa Ciccios & the chip shop. Overflowing bins and litter. What is that strange blue makeshift building that has appeared there?

Also, can Stephen Hill church gardens be made any better. Could volunteers help with it's overgrown gardens or it's broken bench. I always try to pick up litter when I see any. Come on Crosspool, take pride!

*Lisa*

*We'd like to hear if you have similar concerns about the litter problem in the Precinct area*

## **Crosspool Litter Bin** **Emptying to Increase**

*As an outcome of requests to the Crosspool Forum with regard to the litter bins around the Crosspool shops only being emptied daily during the school term. Cllr. Geoff Smith contacted the Street Cleaning Manager who assured him that the bins will now be emptied twice a day, rather than the once.*

### **Advertising in the** **Clarion**

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## Precinct News

### Aligarh's gone

Diners have been disappointed after Aligarh ceased trading on the 1st October after 12 months of selling Kashmir cuisine. Hopefully their disappointment will be short lived as, since its closure, a lot of interest has been shown by other businesses looking to occupy this site.



### Pop-up Shop

The Motorworld shop, which closed its doors in July this year, has now been taken over by Green-cross Chemist.

As a temporary measure, it has been opened as a Pop-up store selling trinkets, Halloween memorabilia, fireworks and Christmas products until such time as the Pharmacy is relocated to this site later next year.

### Former Jet Station Site, Manchester Road

Along with other bids, the Co-op was unsuccessful in securing this site for a Co-operative convenience store. Tesco have completed a lease and now control the site.

Our understanding is that Tesco have no immediate plans to develop this site and that they have now put the scheme on hold.

Consequently, and with the landlords support, the Co-operative has made approaches to Tesco to transfer the lease to them, but Tesco have not been willing to enter into any discussions as yet.



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## Majestic trees on Lydgate Lane threatened

Notices have been placed by Streets Ahead on three majestic trees near the bottom of Lydgate Lane, Crosspool, stating they are scheduled to be removed.



The proposed felling of the trees is part of a city-wide programme to improve Sheffield's roads across the city.

In a lively Open Meeting of the Crosspool Forum, on October 29th, views on the proposed felling of these trees were

voiced, by local (and a few non-local) residents, to a representative from Amey and to our three local councillors—see the Open Meeting Minutes on page 8.

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1915 FOR 100 YEARS 2015

Fancy being part of the largest women's voluntary organisation in the country? The Women's Institute has this year celebrated its centenary and is going from strength to strength. At Crosspool WI, we have just welcomed in a new President, Dawn Boulter, and it's a very exciting time to join CWI. As we move in to 2016 we have a very fantastic programme of events, which will be available to pick up from early December at Stephen Hill.

For more information check out our CWI website: [www.crosspoolwi.moonfruit.com](http://www.crosspoolwi.moonfruit.com); or email us on [crosspoolwi@live.co.uk](mailto:crosspoolwi@live.co.uk); or call Faye Brown (Secretary) on 07732 308768.



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## **Challenge Cancer Through Adventure are looking for New Trustees!**

We are a local charity run entirely by volunteers. We provide people living with cancer or a life threatening illness the encouragement and support to undertake an outdoor adventure challenge to help rebuild confidence and help people regain control of their lives.

We're looking for new people to join our band of Trustees! We don't ask for a lot of your time, but enthusiasm, a love for the outdoors and willingness to lend a hand would be appreciated.

The focus of the charity is to help anyone who has suffered from cancer or a life threatening condition, complete an outdoor adventure challenge. It can be big or small – from balloon rides over the Peak District to great big adventures all around the world including mountaineering and trekking in the Himalayas and the Andes. If it meets an 'outdoor adventure challenge', then we'll help people to do it. We don't ask for sponsorship and there are no hidden obligations – we can be involved in the organisation of the challenge as much or as little as people would like us to be. If people would like to apply but don't know quite what they'd like to do, we can help with suggestions and ideas.

CCTA is a truly wonderful charity to be involved with and we don't ask for anything in return from applicants. We all have a deep love for the outdoors and enjoy being able to help people reach long term ambitions or off the cuff, once in a lifetime adventures!

The patrons of the charity are Rab Carrington (founder of Rab clothing) and Matt Heason of Heason Events. We are regular faces at local festivals such as Sheffield Adventure Film Festival, Cliffhanger Festival and Buxton Adventure Festival and organise the excellent 10 mile annual Dambuster trail race.

If you or someone you know would be interested in joining Challenge Cancer Through Adventure and want more information, please drop us a line on [info@challengecancer.org.uk](mailto:info@challengecancer.org.uk) or telephone on 0300 8008878

For inspiring stories of challenges or more information about CCTA, visit

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## Marsh Lane Origin

For anyone desirous of learning why Marsh Lane came to be so called, there's only one place to make enquiry, that being the local studies section of Sheffield's Central library. There, you will be given a copy of Peter Harvey's *Street Names of Sheffield* to peruse, wherein, you come across the entry, albeit brief:

MARSH... after Harry Parker Marsh... for whom it was approved in 1907. Mr Marsh of Marsh Brothers & Co., Pond Steel Works, was a magistrate, Town Council member, Lord Mayor in 1907, Church Burgess and secretary of Sheffield Chamber of Commerce.

Therein lays the answer... To mark his year of office as Lord Mayor, the council made it official that the little lane which had started at the junction with Lydgate Lane countless years previously, should now be recognised as an approved 'highway' as it made its way past the rear of Lydgate Hall with its outbuildings of coach house and stables, meandering along and narrowing as it did towards the Delph House (farm) area and thence reducing to almost footpath as it neared to the, then busy and occupied, hamlet of Clough Fields.

The Marsh family had resided at Lydgate Hall, certainly since the 1840's when it was known that Harry's great-grandfather John and his grandfather of like name, with their family, were perhaps looked upon as local squires.

Harry Parker was born at the Hall in 1857, being one of the five children of Theophilis Marsh and his wife Jane, he being 30 and she 26. By the way, his children were looked after at the hall by a governess. The head of the family was described as being a hardware merchant, cutlery manufacturer, and a tool maker. His very unusual, but extremely interesting, name we will look into in the next issue.

At an earlier age Harry joined the Shude Hill area based company and when Theophilis died took control of the firm... He remained at the helm until his death in 1933. Harry's interests also included banking, Sheffield Assay office, and manufacturing special steel.

For his kindness and help in various forms to the University of Sheffield, in 1926 he was hon-

oured by the gift of a Doctorate of Law degree.

The Marsh family left the hall in the mid-1860's but, by then, they had resided in the Lydgate area for probably well over 30 years and owned, at one time, 60 acres of adjoining land in Crosspool.

*Joe Castle*

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## Sandygate Road White Line Debacle



Following resurfacing work on Sandygate Road, the road markings were repainted resulting in a wide uphill lane and a narrower downhill lane.

Crosspool residents, concerned about the safety issues which might arise due to the position of the white line, collected 150 signatures in a recent petition.

To answer residents' concerns, Cllr Rob Frost has received this response from the Transport Department at Sheffield City Council: Traffic Regulations (who make the traffic Orders for yellow lines) said there are no firm future proposals for double yellow lines that they are aware of.

Consultation: any Order would be advertised on-street notices e.g. lamp columns and in the press. Any objections received would be duly considered. In addition to this legal requirement, we consult/inform the affected frontage(s) by letter or leaflet drop.

It appears to be a case of 'watch this space', as this response does not appear to answer concerns.

## Everyone's efforts keep "Crosspool in Bloom"

The precinct has again been in full bloom this summer thanks to the Crosspool Forum's team of dedicated local volunteers.

Six planters, the small walled tree area between the Spar and the Pet Shop, and 12 hanging baskets have provided a profusion of colour to the precinct. The planters have been restocked with winter flowering bedding plants and bulbs and the hanging baskets have now been recovered.

Thank you to the local businesses, the volunteer watering teams, and Sandra and Geoff Cox for their help with maintaining and watering the displays. A big thank you also goes to Heather Sharpe for her continued devotion to the two planted up areas at the end of Watt Lane adjacent to the public bench.



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**Open Meeting and AGM**  
**29th October 2015**

Cllr Geoff Smith, 8 Forum Management Committee members, 2 guest speakers & 42 others attended

Ian Hague, having welcomed everyone, went on to reflect on how the forum had progressed - since its inception in May 2002 and its official start in June 2003 - the many guest speakers invited to these quarterly meetings, and the opportunity residents have to raise issues of concern and put questions to Councillors, Council officers and the police. He gave a "big thank you to past and present committee members", thanked the Crosspool Clarion sponsors and advertisers, reminding everyone that items of local interest, letters, adverts of local services can be submitted for consideration for publication and that our website - Crosspool news receives approximately forty thousand hits a quarter! Our commitment to maintaining good neighbourliness and help improve local facilities, working closely with Heeley Development Trust prompting health and welfare and adult educational courses in the community. New sets of LED lights have been bought for the precinct Christmas trees, a second edition of the Crosspool Calendar is available from Charisma; Enhance, GT News & the Pet Shop (£4.00). The Forum committee presently has 12 active members, nomination for the remaining vacancies are welcome - please get in touch with Ian or Steve Reynolds

### **Treasurer's Report**

Angela Southward mentioned that £900 has just been spent on printing the calendars and about £500 on new Christmas tree lights; the Tai Chi classes remain self-funding. She thanked the local businesses for advertising in the Clarion, and said that the Festival Week had raised £1200 - donating £600 to Care in Crosspool and £600 to the Roundabout charity. The Fayre raised approximately £1000 for the community.

### **Crosspool Person Of The Year Award Presentation**

Robert (at The Pet Shop) counted the votes- Paula Stacey (The Lounge & WI community work) received 15, Keith Kendall (RVCG) 18 and Steve Reynolds (Forum vice-chair) 22.

### **Police Report**

Unable to attend, PCSO Gary Hizam sent the following policing update; two thefts of pedal cycles from St Francis Close. Both cycles were chained up in the communal areas.

Two thefts from outbuildings/garage, one on Cardoness Road and one on Barncliffe Crescent, where a number of items were stolen; vehicle broken into on Marsh Lane, window

smashed with a brick.

Two Break-ins on Sandygate Park Road and Ryegate Road gained entry by snapping euro locks.

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Couple of bogus officials quoted for a roofing job on Watt Lane and on Stephen Drive where a male quoted for roofing that didn't need doing. (Three males arrested at a later date),

## Yorkshire Water Rivelin Valley Treatment Works

Unfortunately the Project Manager was unable to attend, but is happy to arrange a meeting within the next two weeks, if required, or will attend our next open meeting in January.

Update of the scheme; October has been an extremely busy month, seeing some major achievements on the large scheme. First week of October, scheme obtained internal board approval. 12th October, Mott MacDonald Bentley (MMB) signed the delivery contract to carry out the scheme. Sheffield City Council Planning Committee have now approved the planning permission application. As with all new green belt builds, granting of planning permission is still subject to secretary of state approval; government is now on a short timescale to respond. When final approval from the secretary of state comes through (expect early November) programme will be at least four weeks ahead and the new underground build scheme, costing around £20million, will be on track to be finished by the end of 2017. The work is not expected to disrupt the water supplies.

## Amey Streets Ahead Report.

Claire Tideswell said by the end of January all the Sandygate Rd pavements should be completed – an extra team has been put on Fulwood Road to redo the pavements. The carriage-way will be done at night next March. July-Sep '16: Manchester Road improvements will start with new lights, pavements & then the carriageway. (The 'wavy' bit of road surface at the top of Sandygate Lane will be looked at again – because of the ancient wall there, the usual excavations could not be undertaken).

There was a lively discussion about the new position of the white line demarcating the two lanes down Sandygate Rd – especially the bottom section. Despite being designed by a council official, to deliberately “enhance road safety, especially for cyclists” this was felt by several residents to be having the opposite effect. There was felt to have been no consultation with cyclists, so Geoff Smith will report back to the Council on these real worries.

Decreasing the Manchester Road speed limit from 40 to 30mph was again raised, and concerns about Selborne Rd (- should it be one-way?-) and the junction with Manchester Rd put to the councillor. Ian Hague pointed out that, when the Jet petrol station is re-developed, the junction might need to be altered anyway. There was a question on traffic light timing sequences – especially at the bottom of Manchester Rd. This was felt to allow insufficient time for the traffic to clear. It was pointed out that Sheffield is now on the danger list for traffic air pollution.

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Darren Butt (Amey Operations Director and an arboriculturalist) was quizzed heavily about local trees due to be felled, and some in other parts of the city. He said a great deal of work had been done on inspecting them, but if there is any sort of risk they must be cut down. They are looking again at some – e.g. Lydgate Park – with a view to heavy pruning, but the Marsh Lane junction tree has decay where it was pruned in the past. There is a “marmite factor” to trees in Sheffield – some people do not want them – but Amey has a real “investment in the landscape of Sheffield” and is replacing 100 % of the trees. There are no bat roosts in any that are being felled, but wild bee colonies were not taken into account. There was a feeling that the debate on trees had at least meant Sheffield now has a policy on trees, for the first time in decades (which will be out in the spring).

### AOB.

1/ Unable attend on this occasion, regrettably, a First Bus representative wasn't on hand to answer questions on their booklet references to improvements in the service?

2/ New Festival Chair, Lindsey Beagles, has been elected.

3/ Trustee vacancy for the CDYST (Coldwell Lane) – anyone interested in finding out more to contact Gillian at [g.m.drinkwater@btinternet.com](mailto:g.m.drinkwater@btinternet.com)

**The Next Open Meeting, Thursday 28th Jan. 2016.**



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## Crosspool Festival 2016



Let me introduce The Crosspool Festival Team, who are part of the Crosspool Forum. We are a bunch of ordinary people who love Crosspool, live or work locally and want to pool our ideas to make a festival happen each year. So Lindsey, Sally, Chris, Eileen, Roger, Jan and Suzanne will be getting ready to start on Festival 2016 by the time you read this. As we make a start in January, we would like to enlist your help. All ideas for events are generated by this small group of people each year in the cold early months of the year as we are imagining the warmth of the summer! We want to keep the Festival fresh and fun for all so this is where you come in. We would like the community to have more of a say in what goes on.

Firstly we would like to invite you to join the team. We are especially looking for folk who could represent younger families and events suitable for them as most of us are past that stage of life. So if your children are at playgroup, nursery, infant or junior school locally, we would love to hear from you. But not exclusively, there is still room for others too. It is not a difficult task to be on the team and none of us is an expert, just a willing pair of hands! We have one informal get together a month for a maximum of 6 months and support/arrange activities throughout the Festival week which is Friday 24th June to Sunday 3rd July 2016. If that's you, please get in touch with Lindsey on [lindseybeagles@gmail.com](mailto:lindseybeagles@gmail.com) or phone 0114 2301041 if you are interested and want to know more.

Secondly we want to introduce Ideas Week, where you can have your say. You may like to be a bit more involved but can't quite make a regular meeting. So now you can be. Suggestion boxes will be put in the local shops in the new year (see Forum website for details), where you can write in ideas for festival activities. It might be that you would like our support to make an event happen or maybe you see a gap in things on offer in Crosspool but you have no idea how to fill the gap; it might be a type of art provision, a social meeting activity to make new friends, something to do with pets or gardens, a sports activity or something great for children or ...! The festival is a time where community is enhanced through activities and people have plenty of opportunity to meet new people and make new friends. You may just want to write a comment or an encouragement to the team or how you feel about the community.

So please have your say and send us your comments, name and contact details so we can respond to you.

We look forward to hearing from you in January.

*Lindsey Beagles (Chair Festival Team)*

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## Salvation Army Brass Band

### Christmas Carol Concert



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16 December**

**at 7.45pm**

There will be the traditional Christmas Concert of Carols (which the congregation can join in) and Christmas music at **Stephen Hill Methodist Church** by the Salvation Army Brass Band.

There is no admission charge for this ever popular event but a minimum donation of **£5** is suggested. All the money raised goes to support the work of the Salvation Army among the destitute and lonely.

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### Crosspool Forum Events



**Children's Christmas Disco:-** 6th December 2015; St Columba's Church Hall; **sold out**

**Precinct Christmas Trees:-** Trees will be installed in the precinct from 6th December 2016 (weather dependent)



**Open Meetings:-** 28th Jan; 5th May; 28th July; 27th Oct. 2016. 7:00pm; St Columba's Church Hall

**Car Boot Sales:-** Tavern Car Park, 8am-11:30am: - Sat 5th June; Sat 10th Sept. 2016;

**Crosspool Festival:-** starts 6:30pm 24th June 2016 with **Well Dressing** – concludes 12:30 pm 3rd July 2016 with **Party in the Park**.

**Street Market:-** 12noon 26th June 2016

**Summer Faye:-** 1:00pm-5:00pm 2nd July 2016, CDYST Coldwell Lane

**Tai Chi:-** every Wednesday 11:00-12noon; Scout Hall Benty Lane

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## GRAND BOOK SALE

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