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Crosspool Fayre Highlights



Local Residents Asked To Secure Their Vehicles

August has seen a spate of "Opportunist Break-ins" on parked vehicles" parked around Tipton Hill Road and the surrounding streets.

Residents are been asked to lock their vehicles and be vigilant at all times.

Report any suspicious activity straight away to either 999 for emergency OR 101 for non emergency reporting.

This years Summer Fayre had a fantastic turnout, the numerous showers throughout the afternoon did not put a dampener on the fun and games on offer. Recently retired Councillor Geoff Smith officially opened the event. Then, throughout the afternoon Barney Baloney kept the children entertained while the adults enjoyed the music of The Yorkshire Teabag band and Azena our local band of young Crosspool musicians. Our local Irish Dancers also performing their spectacular dance routine. The fayre organisers would like to thank all the sponsors, the set up and recovery team, stall helpers and everyone who popped along throughout the afternoon. You all made it a memorable day to remember. We look forward to seeing you all again next year.



CROSSPOOL FORUM

OPEN MEETING and AGM

Thursday 27th October 2016 7.00pm

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Letter Box

Hi. I have recently started a petition to Sheffield council regarding the amount of traffic using Selborne Rd. I have lived on there for over 15 years and have never known such a volume of traffic. I am hoping to get some form of traffic calming measure, following the tragic accident on the zebra crossing a few weeks ago. I shall be attending the open meeting with fellow residents to put my case forward to the councillors etc. I wondered if this would be something the Clarion would support. I look forward to hearing from you.

Thanks, Carol.

Feelings are high over the traffic on Selborne Road - two petitions voicing concerns—see below

Another Selborne Rd Petition

Following the Forum Meeting of 28th July I have now put a petition on the Sheffield City Council Web Page regarding my proposal to make Crosspool a safer place for all of us. The petition and further information reads as follows and can be found at the Web address above. I would be most grateful if you would publicise this petition on Crosspool News. Many thanks, Bruce
We the undersigned petition the council to:

1. Implement a reduction in the speed limit to 20mph for the shopping precinct area at Crosspool and the parts of the service roads of Selbourne Road, Watt Lane, Benty Lane, and Sandygate Road nearest to the precinct;
2. Help to enforce this new limit with traffic calming measures including the 'humping' of the four existing Zebra Crossings.

Crosspool shopping precinct is a busy area used by large numbers of unaccompanied schoolchildren and with a high number of elderly residents. Recently an elderly resident was killed in a traffic accident on one of the crossings. Vehicles travel at high speed through the shopping precinct and it is inevitable that further accidents resulting in serious injury or death will occur unless preventative, safety measures are taken.

Football Players Wanted

We are looking for new players for the Over 35s and Over 45s for the coming season, especially a goalkeeper for the Over 35s. Ideally fully committed players, but at our age its often just getting numbers, so even players who can just make it occasionally are a great help. We are one of the few teams over this side of the city, and play at Limb Lane, Dore so Crosspool is within our catchment. The facilities are very good, and the pitches have won national awards. Contact details are hsbcfootballclub@hsbc.com.



Also to note Crosspool Juniors won our 5-a-side competition this weekend (details can be seen on twitter under Crosspool Juniors or @thebankerfooty)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW HEADTEACHER:

On 1 September 2016 we begin another chapter in the rich history of King Edward VII School when our new Headteacher, Ms Linda Gooden, takes up her post. Our current Head, Mrs Beverley Jackson, is retiring after 8 years' service to the school.

To mark this occasion we are holding an event at our Upper School building on Glossop Road—Note that this event is by invitation only. Visitors will have the opportunity to meet, informally, members of the school staff and guests from various sectors including education, business, community groups and government.

Our school is a truly diverse comprehensive school with over 1600 students from across Sheffield and we are proud of our existing links with the wider community.

Possible Insurance Scam

Some weeks ago a lady parked her car carefully outside local hairdressers. Immediately she had parked another motorist jumped out of his car and accused her of reversing into his car making an indentation of approx. 5mm. When he said "just give me your insurance details and we'll leave it at that".

The lady refused to comply, firmly stating that she had parked without making the small mark. Nothing further has been heard; however the hairdresser told the lady that she had noticed him sitting in his parked car for some time!

Neighbourhood Watch

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

'PAY UP TO PASS ON'

If you were a farmer in Crosspool, Tapton or Lydgate areas nearly two hundred years ago, and had needs to move some of your animals to different pastures, to say Rivelin; this would have, of necessity, involved using the newly opened Sheffield to Glossop Turnpike Road and a payment, before being allowed to proceed past the Crosspool Toll House, of five pence per Score' for 'every Drove of Oxen, Calves, Sheep, Lambs, hogs or swine!'

Whereas, 'nor shall any Toll be paid by any Rector, Vicar, or Curate going to officiate or returning from officiating at any Church, Chapel, or other Place of religious Worship, or when visiting his sick parishioners'. Such information is contained in the 1818.. 'Act for making and maintaining a road from the Town of Sheffield, in the County of York, to join the Marple Bridge Road, in the parish of Glossop, in the County of Derby, with a Branch to Mortimer's Road, in the parish of Hathersage, in the said County of Derby'.

A Parliamentary Act occupying 40 foolscap size sheets, and essential reading if, and this be my hope, the Bicentenary of the opening of this Turnpike Road be celebrated in 2021. Such festivities will need to be planned much in advance, since it is more than likely other places on the original route, such as Broomhill, Bell Hagg, Rivelin, Moscar, Ashopton, Snake Inn., will have like ideas. I'm doing some research – likely to take a long time - to produce one of my typical mini-stories and in doing so, I promise to tell you a little more about such a necessary project, and why it being the very last road in and from Sheffield to be Turnpiked.

July, 2016.

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Bus Query Answered

Andy Metcalfe, from First Bus, has responded to a query from the Open Meeting (see minutes, p11-12) regarding missing buses. Thanks to Andy for the response.

Feedback from First Bus were at Thursdays Open Meeting, a gentleman on the front row raised an issue regarding buses at Crosspool around 20.50 hrs – noting that on a Friday they had repeatedly failed and that we had a situation where a bus did pass, but the indicator displayed “sorry not in service”.

Having looked into this obvious concern, my findings are that, at least over the course of July, there are no recorded lost trips, and actually – aside from the night of Tramlines event (where, as you can see, it arrived late, left late and got later) – the buses are running and picking up. The bus on the 29th did also run, but has a defective tracking unit which is being looked at.

I've also been made aware that no buses now run off service back to depot from Lodge Moor mid-evening.

It may of course be that this was an old problem with an old schedule, but the 20.46 journey does now look very reliable from the illustrated data.



Amey are conducting survey / questionnaire regarding the Streets Ahead works in your area.

The closing date for the questionnaire is 7 October 2016. Amey will be publishing the results in November.

Should they not have specifically worked in your area yet, your views of the work in other areas you may travel through would still be appreciated.

The survey takes less than 10 minutes to complete and is available on the following webpage <https://sheffield.citizenspace.com/place-business-strategy/streetsahead>.

The survey will also be promoted via a number of other different channels. Paper copies will be available on request for residents who do not have access to the internet through their Customer Services on 0114 273 4567.

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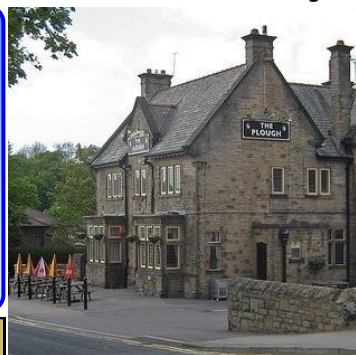
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Loss of a Sporting Heritage—latest



The Plough, Sandygate Road

Last year The Plough Inn was listed as an asset of community value.

The consultation deadline to comment (www.sheffield.gov.uk/planning) on the planning proposals for changes to the Plough pub has been extended to Friday 9 September.

After the pub closed in April, Sainsbury's announced plans to turn it into a convenience store.

The Save the Plough group has been coordinating the campaign to keep the building as a pub and save the sporting heritage of Sandygate. The group has raised several specific concerns over the proposals and is encouraging residents to give their views.

Some residents are also in support of the idea of a convenience store opening in place of the pub.

If you have views either way, then consider making them known to your local MP and councillor's via their websites, or by the "Save the Plough" Facebook.

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Crosspool Flash Flooding Latest

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Unfortunately this isn't a quick fix and we need to ensure that the correct resolution is found for this issue to avoid any recurrence in the future.

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Carver Fields—in case you didn't know

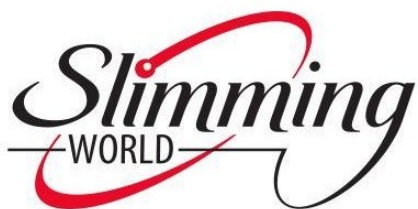
Carver Fields have been mentioned several times in the Open Meetings, but then someone asked—"Where exactly are Carver Fields?"

A short walk down Hagg Lane from Manchester Road, on your left hand side, you will come across a gate and a stile. The fields through the stile, and further down the lane, are known as Carver Fields.

A notice at the entrance to the fields says that it is owned by Sheffield West Methodist circuit and managed by the Rivelin Valley Conservation Group.



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Local Family's Strength and Courage—with the Help of their Friends



My wife, Kathy, and I have lived in the area for 22 years. Both of us are retired nurses. We have a fifteen year old daughter, Evie who is deaf/blind and a residential student at Seashell Trust School in Cheadle Hulme. Unfortunately in her earlier years there was not suitable educational provision for deaf blind children in Sheffield and we were eager for her to be at a school where they were highly motivated and had the expertise to "unlock" our daughter's intellect and to ameliorate her physical problems as much as possible. When my wife was diagnosed with lung cancer in 2010 with only a 10% chance of survival, we took the decision, very reluctantly, to transfer Evie out of Sheffield. Sheffield council agreed to fund this placement as they were very aware that their own provision was totally inadequate.

My wife was duly treated for her cancer and did extremely well despite the initial gloomy prognosis, so much so that after some years she was declared cancer free in 2015. However within six months it cruelly returned. Our son, Tom, also contracted cancer of the thyroid in 2010 only a few days after we had been told that Kath's treatment was working well. He had to have nine and a half hours surgery to remove the tumour, which he underwent with no lasting side effects. There is no sign of his cancer and he recently gained a B.A Hons degree at Leeds Beckett University. Despite his own problems, he has been a tower of strength within our family exhibiting gentleness, compassion and persistence in the face of our family woes.

Unfortunately Kathy's, condition is now terminal and, as part of her "bucket list", we decided to go to Embleton Bay in Northumberland, Kath's favourite place in the world. 45 hardy folk turned up for a picnic on the beach, many of whom were colleagues of my wife's at the Sheffield Children's Hospital where Kathy was a senior sister on the Neonatal surgical Unit, and we held a fantastic party, despite the changeable weather. We had to use a stretcher to get Kathy down to the beach where she was surrounded by love, and we completed the day with dinner in Doxford Hall Hotel.

We have always raised funds for Seashell Trust and did so during our meal. We have decided that we wanted to continue this and, with the help of the school, set up a website. We would like

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Meet Your Local Business

A quarterly spotlight on Crosspool businesses

This time we feature the "Nest" precinct coffee shop— owner Glyn Dyer.

How long have you been in

Crosspool? - Since the new year, we opened on 2nd January 2016.

How is business going? - Like all businesses it is up and down but overall its going well.

Any plans for the future? - We keep adjusting to what the local community wants. We hosted a music evening last month and hope to hold one every month, for more information see us on facebook or twitter. We are also looking to develop our party hire side of the business.

What has been your favourite moment so far? - Definitely the Crosspool Festival, we saw lots of people in the café and following on more people came in as new customers.

What do you think of the summer display in the precinct? - It's good to see the flags and flower baskets but it would be nice to see more flowers outside of shops to add more colour.

What makes Crosspool special? - Just the mix of people and the friendliness of the people here.

Thanks Glyn—See the next Clarion issue for spotlight on another local business.



Music at Nest, Crosspool



Among the wide range of Crosspool Festival events was an evening of acoustic music at Nest Coffee Shop in Crosspool. The evening's entertainment included popular classics from Graham Appleby (above), pop covers from Trinity Road, and mod covers from DB5 (below).

It seems that this will be a regular event at Nest, the second acoustic evening on 28th August featured Loft-er, Kate & James, and Sophie Anna. More bands are wanted so, if you want to join in and play at Nest, please contact Nest, Sandygate Road, or email the forum at crosspoolnews@gmail.com.



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Crosspool Forum Events

Next Open Meeting and AGM:- 27th Oct.

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

Tablet courses:- held in the Scout Hut, Benty Lane on Mondays, between 1300 - 1500—starting Monday 12th September

Art Class:- Scout Hut, Fridays 13:00-15:00, starting 23rd September

Tai Chi:- Scout Hut, Wednesday 11am-12am

Yoga:- Thursdays 12:15-13:45 and 14:00-15:30, starting 22nd September

Double Precinct Celebrations

"Wedding Celebrations" are in order for two of our precinct shop workers; both tied the knot on the same day in July. Congratulations go out to both newlywed couples for a long and happy future.



Claremont Hospital Parking Issues

Residents on Sandygate Park say they have been let down by private hospital assurances to end disruptive parking by staff near their homes. They are angry that roads near their homes are used as a car park by staff from the nearby Claremont Hospital.

Now people living nearby say they have had enough and want action by the police and the city council to end the long-running row, which is blighting their lives.

"A minority of staff at the hospital are behaving irresponsibly and inconsiderately," said John Parsons who added that access to his home on Sandygate Park is often obstructed.

"The roads on Sandygate Park are very narrow and there is also a safety issue with people parking on Carsick Hill and Ivy Park Road – often partly on the pavement."

Councillors Anne Murphy and Craig Gamble Pugh are determined to see action taken. It is hoped to arrange a meeting between residents and the community police officer. They also want a meeting to explain the residents' concerns to the city council officials responsible for parking and roads.

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Open Meeting 28th July 2016

50 Crosspool residents, 10 members of the Forum Management Committee attended., with guest speakers.

Ian Hague welcomed everyone who had signed in & the Minutes of the May Open Meeting were agreed. The Crosspool Person of the Year & the cheques to Goldiggers & Lydgate Junior School (Festival profits) will be presented at the Oct. Open/AGM. The Police were unable to attend.

AMEY STREETS AHEAD REPORT.

Claire Tideswell sent her apologies but Angela read out her brief report . In the Sandygate area all work has been completed, & 102 trees will be eventually planted (in 2 zones in Fulwood 176, & on the Manchester Rd 26)..Look out for a local October roadshow; report any problems on 0114 2734567 (or streetsahead@sheffield.gov.uk). Councillors (who have been working closely with Amey) were asked about poor workmanship, weeds erupting through the pave-

ments, wrong cambers so flooding (eg Cardoness Rd), & "absolutely terrible" surfaces which had "no traction" through ice last winter. **Anne** will ask the Amey manager to attend a meeting to address these issues. Virgin Media's approach to residents for permission to dig trenches through new surfaces for fibre optic cables was also discussed – the Council is "being held to ransom" by them – as they are refusing

to agree to replace whole sections of surfacing rather than digging slit trenches.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Angela Southward said the car boot sale (despite the rain) made £72 – which went to towards the cost of the precinct hanging baskets. The Fayre (again, despite sharp showers) covered its costs this year. A member of the audience asked for a vote of thanks to all who help run the events in Crosspool.

Cllr Anne Murphy was asked

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CLAREMONT HOSPITAL.

Anne said despite the hospital's director Andy Davey giving a clear agreement in April that staff would park on hospital-approved sites – eg CDYST Coldwell Lane, Masonic Lodges Shore Lane, The Plough - & not on local residential streets the

problem has come back – with a vengeance. As the Claremont is intending to expand to treat 10,000 more patients per year, Anne has prepared a petition and will write a press release to insist the hospital complies with its agreement. Its parent company (Aspen) will be informed of the problems and a director asked to attend a meeting. (As no planning permission is needed for such expansions there is little the community can do, but it was felt the site is too small for this development).

TRANSPORT UPDATE

Andy Metcalfe (First Bus) was sure the 51 users would be “deliriously happy” that the buses no longer use Mappin St! The bus company (with councillors, local school heads & the police) have been looking at controlling school childrens’ behaviour – some children have already been banned from using the buses.

THE PLOUGH PUB.

Peter Duff said Sainsbury's has now signed a 15 year lease on the site, & is meant to have put in a planning application by the end of July. He pointed out there were about 13 convenience stores already within a 1 mile radius of Crosspool - & is it “worth sacrificing 400 years of history for the sake of another shop?”. **Cllr Adam Hanrahan** said they had received 652 responses to their survey – 75% being against Sainsbury's development. Other parts of Sheffield are also fighting to retain pubs.

SELBORNE RD TRAFFIC CALMING

Carol Hanson (local resident) asked whether Selborne Rd ought to be one-way, after the fatality at the junction with Sandygate Rd recently. It is very congested, dangerous for schoolchildren, & polluted. Humped road crossings, and a 20mph limit was discussed – note that Manchester Rd is going to have a 30mph limit – something the councillors & Forum have been asking for a long time.

COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS

Missing Crookes cemetery bench & flimsy Commonwealth War Grave sign will be investigated. Carver Fields possibly being up for sale was questioned – “no decision has been made” - & the Hallam Towers hotel site is being re-surveyed and new planning application submitted.

EVENTS.

Community skip for 2017 – would a weekend date be better?. Next car boot sale 10th Sep; Calendar entries for 2017 – photos to Robin Byles or John Holliday (crosspoolnews@gmail.com).

Next Open Meeting and AGM:- 27th Oct. 2016. 7:00pm; St Columba's Church Hall

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