

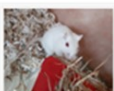
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Time Flies at Summer Festival



Mittens the Gerbil



Scruffington the Cat



Henry the Black Patterdale Terrier



Mabel the Chicken



Addi the Black Labrador (on the beach)



Turbo the Tortoise

The weather was favourable for the 10th Crosspool Festival and a variety of events were successfully held around the area. These included a street market, vintage film show, history walks, Lego event, organ concert plus assorted competitions and quizzes. An attractive well dressing drew lots of admiration and was photographed many times. The festival aims to bring together the community of Crosspool but at the same time £800 was raised for two local charities, Ben's Centre and The Northern General Hospital Cystic Fibrosis Unit.

The Festival could not go ahead without the help and support of Crosspool residents and local businesses. The festival team are grateful to Cocker and Carr Estate Agents, Papa Ciccio's, Direct Travel, Layers Flooring, Inspiration Hair Salon, Enhance Hairdresser, Alex Gage Opticians, Crosspool Fish Bar, Greencross Chemists, Spar, Crosspool Pet Supplies and Nest Café. Our thanks also go to all those, too numerous to mention, who helped with the events and activities.



Jessica Banks—First Prize Under 16 Art
Ken Hayland—First Prize Adult Art
Jenny Globe—Second Prize Adult Art
(Photo: Andrew)



Kerry Long—First Prize Adult Photo
Jessica Lewis—First Prize under 16 Photo
Andy Forrest—Second Prize Adult Photo



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CROSSPOOL FORUM OPEN MEETING / AGM

Thursday 31st October 2019 at 7:00pm

St Columba's Church Hall at Manchester Road, Crosspool
Local councillors, the police, council representatives and guest speakers,
are generally on hand to listen to your concerns on local issues.

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Time Flies at Summer Festival Continued



Sadly, due to unforeseen circumstances, 3 events had to be cancelled after the programme had been printed. These were the Acoustic Night at nest café, "The power of what's beneath our feet" talk and the Talent Night. Unbelievably the latter was due to a lack of Crosspool residents wanting to showcase their talents. However Crosspool talents were in evidence elsewhere during the festival. Cakes, art and photos were

on display in St Columba's Church on the Wednesday of festival week. Adult winners in those categories were Ken Hoyland, Jenny Globe, Kerry Long, Danijela Lela and Andy Forrest. Junior winners were Amelie Rands, Jessica Banks and Jessica Lewis. Photo of pets were displayed in the window of Cocker and Carr Estate Agents. The winning photos were of Mittens (gerbil), Scruffington (cat), Mabel chicken), Turbo (tortoise), Addi (black labrador) and Henry (black Patterdale terrier). About 20 scarecrows, made to fit with the festival theme of "Time" were positioned around Crosspool for the whole of the festival. The winning scarecrows were "Back to the Future" on Lydgate Lane, "Back to the Future" on Den Bank Drive and "Dr Who with Tardis" on Cairns Road. Now is the time to look forward to Crosspool's 11th festival - Friday 26th June to Sunday 5th July 2020. There will definitely be open gardens next year after their absence this year. We would appreciate some help with planning other events and welcome suggestions and ideas for things to include in the programme. Please contact the Forum and your messages will be passed onto the festival team.

Mobile Phone Mast Application Withdrawn



Following a large number of objections from local residents and businesses to the erection of a 12.5m mobile phone monopole and base station on the land adjacent to 1 Sandygate Grange Drive, Sandygate Road; and the subsequent recognition of the land on which EE Ltd & Hutchinson 3G UK Ltd wanted to erect this, is private land and doesn't belong to the Council. As no permission would have been granted, the

SCC Chief Planning Officer has confirmed that the planning application Ref: 19/00405/TEL has now been withdrawn.

Local Cllr Tim Huggan said the Hallam Football pitch has an existing mast, and it is hoped this facility can be shared. It is a different sort of planning application in which acceptance is presumed and has to be disputed if unacceptable.

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Crosspool Pulls in the Crowds

It was a last minute rush to set up this year's summer fayre due to persistent showers throughout the morning and the delayed delivery of the bouncy castle due to mechanical problems. But we managed it in the end as the skies cleared for a lovely sunny afternoon. The Fayre was

officially opened by the Rev. Suzanne Nockles, and then the fun filled entertainment followed with an upbeat performance by the ever-popular Scoil Rince Nua Irish Dancers – a rousing dance routine by the LMW Dance Troop and children's "old favourite" Barney Baloney was there with Henry getting up to his usual mischievous tricks. Musical entertainment was provided by the Ambassador Swing Band playing the sounds of Glenn Miller, and Dave Bolsover and family did a little strumming on their numerous guitars, all performing to full audiences. Holly Hagg Community Farm Alpacas were in attendance again this year, together with our first ever Llama paying us a visit. Their popularity is growing year on year with fayre visitors who love to meet and feed the delightful pack. All the traditional stalls were open; hot dogs, burgers, ice creams and WI creamed teas were consumed. Children being transformed by face painting and henna tattooed art.

Later in the afternoon the 2019 Crosspool festival scarecrow competition winners were presented with their prizes and the raffle winners went away happy.

The buzz around the CDYST sports field didn't end there, after the close of the fayre the CDYST was then transformed into a film set for the filming of the big-screen version of "Everyone's talking about Jamie" and on the Monday afternoon the cameras were rolling as the cast and film crew were on site. Other film locations around Sheffield have been used including Deerlands Avenue and the Crookes Club since filming began on the 24th June.



Crosspool Summer Fayre 6th July 2019

Crosspool Pilot Street Light Dimming



Residents to have their say on street light dimming. Crosspool, Endcliffe and Meersbrook have been selected for the trialled dimming of street lighting levels. From Monday 19th August to Friday 13th September 2019, residents will see street lighting in these pilot areas of the city being reduced by up to an additional 14%. Households in the chosen areas will each receive a letter inviting them to attend an information session in their local library. Residents across the city will also be invited to take part in an online consultation on the proposals. The views of those in the pilot areas will then be assessed alongside the views from respondents across the city. The proposals will see street lights switch on responsively at 80% instead of the current 84% before midnight and reduce from 54% to 40% at midnight until 5am, whilst still meeting

the requirements of the current national Code of Practice. South Yorkshire Police are aware of the proposal and the council will continue to work with them, and other stakeholders, to assess and evaluate the impact on communities. Emergency services will still be able to request an increase in lighting levels, in response to certain incidents, when required. Supporting the first priority of the 2018 Green City Strategy, Sheffield has one of the most advanced street lighting systems in the UK, with the ability to vary lighting levels – even down to individual lighting columns. As a result of the Streets Ahead investment, Sheffield now has a complete network of state-of-the-art white LED street lights. In the first five years of the programme, more than 66,000 new LED street lights were installed across the city; ensuring safer and more energy-efficient light distribution. A link to the briefing report and associated maps of the trial areas can be found at: <https://bit.ly/2M0D6Z1>. The city-wide consultation will open in coming weeks and, once live, will be available on the council's website at: <https://sheffield.citizenspace.com/>

OPEN MEETING Bullet Points Thursday 25th July 2019

Twenty four Crosspool residents and nine members of the Forum Management Committee attended two guest speakers.

Ian Hague welcomed everyone on the hottest July day the UK has had! There were apologies from one councillor and the police for non-attendance.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (after a very busy summer he had a lot to report.)

- Civil enforcement officers have visited Crosspool to check on the correct use of the parking bays - some vehicles being ticketed. Anyone can photograph and send in the image to them if they spot some misuse. See page 6.
- Ian and Steve (Vice Chair) have discussed Crosspool's needs with a new community ward officer Mubarak Hussain.
- The Sandygate Road Mobile phone mast application has been withdrawn. See page 2.
- The Plough (still an Asset of Community Value) is going to planning in September see page 11.
- The local Freemason (Tapton Hall) has been in touch and offered to help in the community - nothing further has been heard.
- Shop canopy; Cllr Anne Murphy has emailed the "Inspiration" landlord to ask if he will join the others in contributing to getting this repaired.
- Rivelin Valley Water Treatment Plant - officially opened by the Duke of Gloucester - for security reasons, no publicity until after the event.
- Care in Crosspool - now have a new coordinator. See page 10.
- Proposed CCTV cameras - still work in progress - a meeting is hoped to be arranged with Sheffield Council's Head of Transport & Highways Services. See page 6.
- Grass verge cutting? Apparently at the moment the cutting is done on one day and the cuttings collected on another - by which time they can have blown into and blocked the gulleys! Some residents want them uncut to develop wildflower meadow areas.
- Precinct planters were once again planted up by King Edwards Year 8 pupils and the hanging baskets by the Benty Lane scout cubs.
- Although the former Motorworld shop and flat is now demolished, the original Lydgate Hall gatepost tops have been retrieved and placed on Lydgate Green.
- Ian reported that sadly Joe Castle, long-time resident and local historian, has died. See page 10.
- Jon Ashe, postgrad researching community forums, had some very positive feedback regarding Crosspool and it's involving all the local people.
- Ian and Steve said that they would warmly welcome stories of local interest for the Crosspool News and Clarion.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- John Drinkwater reported that the bank balance is healthy, £800 from the Crosspool Festival Week to be divided between the two chosen charities - 'Ben's Centre' and the Cystic Fibrosis Unit for young adults at the NGH.

EVENTS

- Sadly the 8th June car boot sale was rained off - third time in a row! The next car boot sale - Tavern Car Park Saturday 7th September.
- Roger Kite gave a brief history of how the week-long Crosspool Festival came into being, with its well-dressing (- theme this year TIME) - street market and a wide programme of events
- Ian and Steve reported on the Summer Fayre - despite morning rain all the marquees and stalls went up and there was a good attendance. Any profits from this go towards the Forum's plans for Crosspool needs - CCTV cameras etc.
- A local walking group in Crosspool has been proposed.

POLICE REPORT

- Steve read out the report PCSO Pam Thompson had sent, with a sad total of 20 burglaries in this area, 2 thefts of motor vehicles and 4 items from vehicles. Numerous arrests have been made, but residents were urged to be vigilant.

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COUNCILLORS' Q&A's

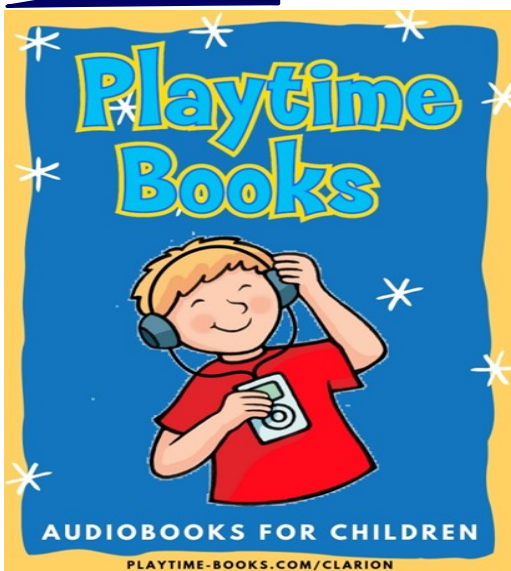
There were a few as Anne Murphy and Tim Huggan had been answering questions and reporting what they had been working on throughout the meeting!

- Due to shift patterns the police are finding it difficult to attend our Open Meetings at the moment, but may be available to attend dedicated policing meetings.
Anne will try to arrange another Local Policing Meeting once the summer is over - anyone wanting to be on the mailing list for this, contact John Drinkwater on j.f.drinkwater.t21@btinternet.com.
- A local resident expressed concern that there had been one or two accidents and some near-misses with vehicles entering and exiting the Valleyside Garden Centre, asked if the 50mph speed limit sign on the Manchester Rd (outbound) could be re-sited to just after the exit.
- There was a query from the floor as to what mechanism is in place to suggest the local MP Jared O'Mara is not fit for office? Cllr. Murphy agreed she is worried about him and "very saddened" at the turn of events, but there is no way of ensuring he steps down.

AOB

- Crookes Social Club is celebrating 100 years with a weekend of events 9th - 11th Aug '19. Anne Murphy had flyers to hand out, (Any money raised will go to the Sheffield children's Hospital). There was also to be a car boot.
- Litter pickers - meet every first Saturday in the month on Archers' corner at 10am. It is definitely making a difference to the area. Geraldine Poulton is still "Keep Britain Tidy" organizer - look at the Sheffield Litter Pickers' Facebook page - you might be in a different part of the city one day and can join in and help with their event!
- Dog-walking initiative; John Hanson, from the audience, said that there is a country-wide dog walkers group where the members aim to pick up six pieces of rubbish every time they take their dogs out!

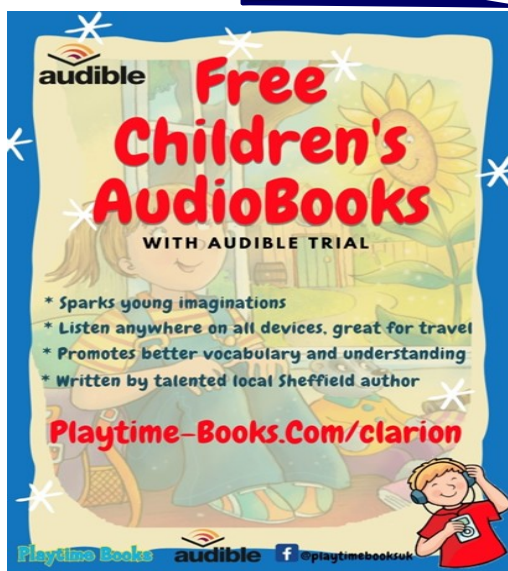
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Civil enforcement officers now regularly visit the Crosspool precinct and check on the use of the parking spaces, especially the disabled bays, (Cllr. Murphy confirmed this was the case and said that a few cars have been ticketed). The Spar Double Yellow Line's appear to be a hotspot for illegal parking, as is the disabled bays at the front of the chip shop and chemist. Enforcement officers have also been round the school roads with a car cam. Someone was caught parked in the Vernon Terrace Bus Loading Bay, and they spoke to several motorists about the health risks of sitting in their vehicle with the engine idling.

Parking services are happy to chase up dated photos of bad parking they receive from the public. Tele: 0114 273 4567, www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/parking

A number of drivers have been caught speeding by the South Yorkshire Mobile Safety Cameras, now regularly deployed monitoring motorists on the 30mph section of Manchester Road between Bell Hagg and Benty Lane.

Precinct CCTV Camera Saga

The CCTV camera proposed for the Crosspool precinct is still a work in progress. The Forum has received so many estimates over the last few years of varying amounts - the latest is that Amey wants to charge £300 approx. to erect the camera and a further £1530 approx. to pay for the electricity for 25 years!

Cllr. Murphy has spoken to Cllr. Bob Johnson who said the next stage is to meet the Head of Transport and Highways Services to outline a plan to work with the community, the police and schools to get this working as we have a "reasonable argument" for needing this scheme in place. Anne felt the Forum should look to pay only the original £3,000. (Ian said the total for latest quote was somewhere in the region of £7k!!) The Council is the only registered official body which can erect and give authority to download the images to the police. Cllr Murphy wants to "cut through all the red tape"

A donation of £100 has been received towards the cameras from a local resident.

Container sent to Gambia

I, on behalf of the Gambian people, would like to thank the people of Crosspool and beyond for donating to my container which left on the 13th April, arriving first week in June. Many of the items have been distributed to rural areas of which I have photographic evidence. I shall not send another container from Sheffield in the near future without help, but I am continuing to collect in a small way and continue my work there helping a diplomat and two other men, collecting medical supplies and educational equipment plus sewing machines for a skill Centre. Anyone needing further information, willingly to help or loan a large van please phone me Janet stain 2302916



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• What is your favourite season of the year?

Christmas is our favourite time of the year. Christmas Eve our busiest day.

• What do you think about people using local shops?

It's important to keep the area vibrant and thriving.

• Why is Crosspool so special?

It's the friendly people of Crosspool caring and showing consideration for each other to make the community a desirable area, that make it special.

• What would you like to see improve?

To help customers get to the shop easier, a short-stay parking restriction outside the shop.

We would like to take this opportunity to say a "Big Thank You" to all our customers!

See the next Clarion issue for another spotlight of one of our local businesses.



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Charities Benefit from the Festival



Catherine Kelly (Sheffield Hospital Charity)
Robert Boulter

Catherine Kelly (volunteer manager Sheffield Hospitals Charity) spoke of the Cystic Fibrosis Unit's aim to 'achieve the very best they can for their patients', and how they support people with this debilitating disease. It affects the respiratory and digestive systems, and can lead to a lot of very intensive treatment and hospital care being needed. When young people transition from the Children's Hospital to the Northern General, it can be frightening, a big adult place with a different team, so they have redeveloped their unit to provide a home from home for what can be for up to a month-long stay. The disease can be "life limiting. There are 12 isolated risk of infection beds, meaning they can't socialize so each bedroom has been decorated differently, for example; a forest, an oriental

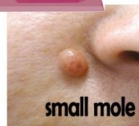
garden, a New York loft, with places for relatives to sleep over and a dietician on hand to entice their appetites, with specially thought-out food. (Some patients are taking 55 tablets a day!) She was therefore very grateful to be presented with a £400 cheque from the Crosspool Festival by Robert Boulter husband of Dawn, last year's festival team leader, who sadly past away in the week following the 2018 festival.



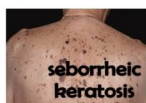
Ian (Ben) Sherman (Bens Centre Sheffield)
Robert Boulter

On behalf of the Crosspool Festival Robert Boulter was delighted to hand a cheque for £400 to Ian (Ben) Sherman who was a founder member of the Ben's Centre in Sheffield in 1996. Ian Sherman thanked everyone for this donation to their charity, and said during his 23 years as a Town Hall policeman he had become very aware of the problem with drunks in the Peace Gardens. The old cycle of arrest, cells, court appearance, then back out again was not working, and as there were all sorts of people - from plumbers to company directors - feeling this was all they could do he decided to make an "escape environment" for the these homeless people. He was given premises on Norfolk Street at a peppercorn rent in which people could feel safe, contact their families if they wished, access services

and hopefully get away from using "alcohol as a crutch". The Centre has "gone from strength to strength" and now even provided day trips such as one to Cleethorpes recently. The Forum Festival Week donation will definitely go to keep the centre going.



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Comedy in Crosspool



In July I filmed my BFI comedy short film (which I wrote, directed and acted in) at my house in Crosspool and on some of the surrounding roads. My film is called "Fargate" and is about a family from Sheffield and the comical journey which they go on. It is a female led story and crew, which is something that I'm

passionate about championing. I love the dry Sheffield sense of humour, the warmth and also the loyalty that northerners naturally have, so a lot of my pending projects will be set locally. There was a lot of pre-production to do in terms of locations, the art design, casting, crew and props and without exception, I've been bowled over by the enthusiasm and generosity of my neighbours and all of the local people in helping with these. Everyone has been excited about supporting the project and about bringing further work to Sheffield. I would like to give a special mention to the Sheffield Institute of Arts Gallery, Carnova, St Lukes Crookes and Expert Tyres Ltd, who've all been very generous in supporting the film with their services and locations.

I also wanted to cast an authentic northern team of actors and I was really lucky in finding an amazing group of actors including two of the leads Gillian Waugh and Rita May, who live in Sheffield and also unbeknown to me are best friends in real life. Also Marvin Dickinson (from class dismissed) played the local postman and he was a real hit with all the kids on set. I also cast five of my older students (from my acting and film classes at St Stephen's Methodist Church) in the film, as it's brilliant to work with actors that you know very well, as you can work very quickly.

We are currently in the post production stage of the film and then "Fargate" will be seen at film festivals around the world. After this I have a feature film treatment also with the BFI and a TV series in the pipeline, so I'm looking forward to bringing more opportunities to Sheffield!

Sally Cancellio

(Award winning writer, director and actress)

As well as teaching acting on the BFI youth academy, Sally also teaches termly acting classes for 5-7yr olds and 8 - 16yr olds at St Stephen's Methodist Church and film workshops in the holidays. To find out more, please email Sally on

sallycancellio@hotmail.co.uk

A Message From The New Care in Crosspool Coordinator



I have thoroughly enjoyed my first 3 months as the new Coordinator at Care in Crosspool. For the first few weeks I worked alongside Elizabeth Mizzi as she trained me in the job which she did so well for many years.

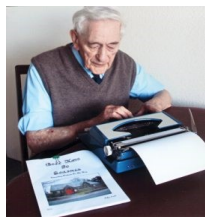
I'm doing my best to follow in her footsteps but am still learning as I go along; I was a primary school teacher for many years, so this is a new challenge for me!

My favourite part of the role is meeting so many lovely people. The Committee members are warm and friendly and have made me feel really welcome. I've been to lunch clubs and events in the Crosspool area and met some of the clients we serve, and the incredible volunteers on whom the organisation depends. I have been moved by the situations and stories of some of the people we serve, who might otherwise feel lonely or isolated.

Care in Crosspool has endured for over 30 years because of the kindness and neighbourly spirit of local people. We're always looking for new volunteers; just an hour or two a month makes a difference, so please get in touch if you can give a little of your time! It is a unique Charity, and I feel privileged to be a part of it.

Jude Murphy
Care in Crosspool Coordinator.

Many thanks Joe Castle



The Forum is sad to report the death of Joe Castle.

A service of thanksgiving was held at St Nicholas' Church, Bradfield, on Thursday, 1st August 2019, to celebrate the life of Joseph Castle, 1926 – 2019.

A well-respected local historian for over 70yrs, Joe had had several books published and wrote many stories and articles for the Clarion until he finally succumbed to the cancer that he had suffered from for many years. Joe was still writing articles for the Clarion until the end.

An accomplished church organist, one of Joe's biggest regrets was that he never took up an offer to play the magnificent Wurlitzer organ in the Blackpool Tower Ballroom.

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Plough Deadline



The deadline of the application for the proposed change of use for the Plough inn site, that still has an "Asset of Community Value" attached to it, was extended to 23rd July. It will now be submitted to the Sheffield Council Planning committee in September.

Clr Anne Murphy and others were visiting this iconic building when a load of rubble from one of the owner's other sites (off Ecclesall Road) was brought to be dumped on this site. Things got rather heated when Anne had asked to see their waste licence, with abusive language from the lorry driver threatening to get "Mr Platt" (the owner) on the phone - Anne said she'd love to speak to him - we have been trying to contact him without success!

The visit at that time was because Lindsay Tolson a great great great grandson of Tom Armitage (Plough landlord from 1870s), was there. Tom had played cricket for Hallam Cricket Club (and also for England) - the first recognized England World Test cricketer! So there is still a great deal of history attached to the site.

The 'Look North' TV programme team were also there filming, and cricket was in play on the pitch.

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"SMALL TOOL BATTERY & CHARGER" left at this year's Crosspool Festival Sunday Market with the baked potato van for charging, but never collected.

"DOOR KEY", found at the Crosspool Summer Fayre, CDYST Playing field Saturday 6th July 2019

"INLINER ROLLERBLADES" Size 32-35... 20-22, handed in after the 2018 Summer Fayre, and still remain unclaimed.

"UMBRELLA" A few weeks ago, a Good Samaritan stopped to help a local lady who had fallen down in the precinct. Staying to give assistance until the ambulance arrived; unfortunately this Good Samaritan left their umbrella by the kerbside. Now fully recovered from her ordeal, the lady would like us to pass on her sincere thanks to this kind person. The umbrella has been left at Bamforth's Fruit Shop.

Please get in touch with the Forum if you think any of the above might be yours.

Crosspool Probus



The Crosspool Probus Club is part of a world-wide movement for retired or semi-retired people from all walks of life and may include business or professional people. Crosspool Probus meets every Thursday morning throughout the year from 10.am to 12 noon for tea and coffee, followed by a range of guest speakers who

can be both inspirational and informative.

If you would like to join them, just turn up at Stephen Hill Beacon Church, 547 Manchester Road, Crosspool. S10 4LF, just before 10am on a Thursday morning, they would be very pleased to see you.

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