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PRESERVING CROSSPOOL'S HERITAGE

The Return of Crosspool's No.1 Peas Sign.

In late 2023, the large billboard on the gable end of Cocker and Carr estate agents suddenly vanished, revealing an astonishing glimpse into Crosspool's past. Hidden for decades, a 1950s ghost sign re-emerged: the long-forgotten No.1 Peas advertisement, a cherished fragment of our local heritage.

Frank, a lifelong Crosspool resident, remembers the sign from his teenage years. "It's like seeing an old friend return," he said, as the rediscovered advert quickly sparked community interest.

Shortly thereafter, Lisa, a Manchester Road resident and university academic, expressed her concern. Passionate about preserving this iconic piece of history, she warned that weather and time would soon destroy the fragile paintwork, just as the Guinness advert in Broomhill had faded away. Lisa suggested a student restoration project, first with Hallam University and later with Sheffield University, but despite months of effort, neither idea took off. Meanwhile, the sign continued to deteriorate.

Determined not to lose it, local councillors raised the issue with Sheffield City Council. By then, the city had begun to recognise ghost signs as historic works of art, cultural assets that enrich



buildings and attract visitors. Across Sheffield, similar signs were being uncovered from behind old fascias and hoardings, sparking a wave of rediscovery.

Our Local Area Committee (LAC) backed the campaign and appointed project manager Joy Arnott, already involved in preserving other ghost signs across the city. Joy embraced the challenge, gathering quotes and assembling a team of artists with deep Crosspool roots.

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DSSPOOL FORUM

OPEN MEETING

Thursday 29th January 2026 at 7:00pm St Columba's Church, Manchester Road, Crosspool

Guest speakers - local councillors, the police and council officers, are generally on hand to listen to your concerns on local issues. Keep your eye on the 'Spar noticeboard' & 'Crosspool News 'website

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Enter signwriter Joe Harrison and Artists Liah Edwards and Joel Barton, a talented trio whose grandparents once lived in Crosspool and who themselves grew up in Sheffield, attended King Edwards VII school and spent much of their childhood in and around Crosspool, before settling in Crookes. With passion and skill, they set to work. Joe noted that the original paint was crumbling and curling away: 'Another winter, and it would have been lost forever."



As the artists carefully restored the sign, passersby stopped to chat, many relieved to see the fading image revived. Local businesses filmed the progress, and Crosspool's own Jack Todhunter captured it on video. Slowly, stroke by stroke, the advert came back to life.

Today, the entire gable end has been repainted, the No.1 Peas sign proudly restored for future generations. The community owes thanks not only to the artists, who poured heart and soul into the project, but also to the property's landlords



for supporting the preservation. Visitors to the precinct now pause to admire the work, many praising the artistry and care that went into it.

Above all, we must thank Joy Arnott, whose dedication



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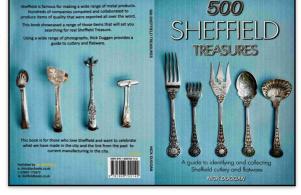
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500 SHEFFIELD TREASURES

Nick Duggan a local heritage champion who volunteers at The Hawley Collection at Kelham Island has put together a book ,'500 Sheffield Treasures', that highlights a wide range of Sheffield items of cutlery and flatware . The book is designed to help people identify and explore a range of items made in Sheffield at the height of the cutlery boom around the turn of the century .

Nick has given talks to the Rivelin Conservation group and the Cross pool WI and some of the items he has shown to people will be featured in the book with many other objects .

In the introduction Nick says :-



This book is for those who love Sheffield and want to celebrate what we have made in the city and the link from the past to modern manufacturing.

It uses a collection of Sheffield made objects, cutlery and flatware to highlight:

- *The skill of the Sheffield craftsmen and women who made cutlery and flatware.
- *The eccentricity of dining in the Victorian and Edwardian era.
- *The Sheffield companies that competed with each other to dominate the world market.
- *The opportunity to search in the attic, the cutlery drawer, the charity shop for real Sheffield Treasure.
- *The places and resources where the story is still told and developing.

The books 120 pages highlight a huge range of objects that were made in the city with very specific functions , tells you how to decipher the makers marks and understand the wide range of materials that were used for handles.

The book came out in late October and is available locally from Charisma and Valleyside Garden Centre priced £11.99 . It can also be ordered by post from, www.sheffieldbooks.co.uk.

All profits go to the S6 Foodbank and The Hawley Collection at Kelham Island Museum.

OPEN MEETING-AGM SUMMARY-THURSDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2025

Crosspool Forum AGM & Open Meeting Summary

Attendance: Chair: Ian Hague; Vice Chair & Minutes: Steve Reynolds

Committee: Nick Duggan; Residents: 14 present.

Apologies John Drinkwater (Treasurer), Roger Kite, PCSO Pam Thompson

Guests/Councillors: None in attendance

AGM (25th October 2024 Minutes) Previous AGM minutes approved as a true record.

No matters arising.

Chairman's report:- It's hard to believe, but it's been 22 years since the Crosspool Forum first took root, from a simple idea in late 2002 to its official launch in June 2003. Since then, we've grown into something truly special.

Our quarterly Open Meetings, held right here in St Columba's Church, have given residents a chance to raise concerns, ask questions, and hear directly from our MP, councillors, officials, the police, and guest speakers. It's been a space for listening, learning, and leading together.

And today, I stand before you with pride and thanks, that our commitment to Crosspool still holds strong. Together, we've kept our neighbourhood vibrant, welcoming, and true to its character.

The Forum has been central to this mission, a living example of what happens when neighbours unite around a common cause. We all know how busy life gets; how full the calendar becomes. But it's the small acts, the shared efforts, that build something extraordinary. I believe deeply in the power of collective will. When we come together, there's no limit to what we can achieve.

Take, for example, one of our recent triumphs: breathing new life into a local landmark. After countless meetings with council reps, three gifted artists, and the landlords of the Cocker and Carr gable-end property, we're pleased to announce that the preservation of the iconic "Processed Peas" ghost sign is complete. The surrounding wall is being repainted too, bringing fresh colour and pride to this cherished piece of Crosspool's visual heritage. A huge thank you to our Vice Chair, Steve Reynolds, for his dedication to this project. 70 – 80 emails plus site meetings etc.

The Forum has continued to host and support a wide range of events and initiatives like the Crosspool Festival:- Street market, well dressing, scarecrow competition, Summer Fayre.

Events & Classes:- Boot sales, Easy Exercise, Tai Chi, Art classes, Pea & Pie suppers, Children's Christmas party.

Community Care:- Planters, hanging baskets, Lydgate Green upkeep (new tap), Hagg Copse & CDYST Orchard stewardship.

Communications:- Crosspool Clarion & News website, ensuring impartial, up-to-date local information reaches every corner of our community.

Seasonal activities:- Precinct flags, Christmas trees, festive lighting & recycling. new-format calendar. New businesses:- Valencia restaurant, City Barbers (formerly Shearers), Spar under new ownership. Community initiative:- Carver Fields protection initiative, new Youth Club at Scout Hall,

"This is Crosspool" YouTube series by local resident Jack Todhunter, capturing the spirit of our neighbourhood.

Future plans:- Canal cruise, coach trip, more Pea & Pie suppers, to bring comfort and connection to those who need it most.

Call to Action: Volunteers needed to join the Forum Committee.

"A community isn't built in bricks or borders, it's built in handshakes, hello's, and helping hands.

Treasurer's Report (Read by Ian):- 2023/24 Small deficit due to active community spending. 2024/25: Surplus, boosted by SCC grant for precinct improvements (including No.1 Peas sign). Clarion Newsletter:- Surplus despite donor loss. Calendar:- Slight decline, but nostalgic demand continues. Christmas Trees:- Income dipped due to recycling delays.

Children's:- Party & Pea & Pie. Suppers:- Broke even, supported by SCC grants.

Exercise & Tai Chi: Financially strong. Art Group:- Stable, may need support.

Festival & Fayre: - Successful, donating £826 each to Fir Vale Food Bank & Family Works.

Gardening Projects:-Largest cost; deficit mainly from Lydgate Green tap works (part-funded by SCC). Miscellaneous:- Deficit covered essentials (flags, litter-picking gear, "Home Alone" appeal).

Special Thanks:- David Marshall for funding the precinct defibrillator's running costs.

Resignations, Nominations of Committee Members:-

No resignations have occurred this year. A nomination from Moni Feigenbutz has been welcomed to join the management committee.

Open Meeting :-

No matters arising from 31st July meeting minutes Note: Councillors and Police were unable to attend. Police report on page 6

The top table collected the following concerns to pass on to relevant authorities.

Local Issues Raised:-

Selborne Road:-A resident was clipped by a cyclist on the pavement (Sunday 26/10 approx. 10.30am ongoing speeding and pavement parking posing risks to blind residents.

Sandygate Park:- Residents called for enforcement of the 20mph speed limit and for prosecutions where vehicles park illegally on double

vellow lines.

Benty Lane:- Enforcement of the 20mph limit

Persistent excessive traffic speed.

Blonk Street:- Unnecessary Sunday bus gate restrictions limiting access to the 24hr chemist. Midland Station:- Frustration over proposed drop-off restrictions.

Recycling Units:- Are local sites operational again? If so, please advertise them.

Community Spirit & Heritage:-

Crosspool's Iconic Ghost Sign Returns!

Steve shared an exciting update on the revival of the "No1 Pea's" sign in the precinct. Public support has been fantastic. Huge thanks to the three artists, project manager, and building landlords. Completion is near!

Upcoming Events & Activities

Crosspool 2026 Calendar: Available in local shops in a couple of weeks, now with a fresh format!

Children's Christmas Party:- 14th December. Tickets on sale soon at the Pet Shop.

Christmas Trees:- Going up in the precinct on 7th December. Volunteers welcome!

Easy Exercise: Still popular despite service provider issues. Awaiting councillor input. Precinct Planters: Beautifully refreshed seasonal plants by 11Y7 KES pupils. Thank you Miss Jackson (duty head) and team!

Car Boot Sales:- Both events at Crosspool Tavern Car Park were a sunny success. 2026-Saturday 6th June & 5th September.

Crosspool Festival 2026:- Set for 26th June, 5th July. Planning begins in January, volunteers needed!

AOB:- Some Sandygate Park Road and Crescent residents have received letters from ground landlords offering to sell freeholds at steep prices. Remember: you have a legal right to buy at a fair valuation. Don't feel pressured, seek advice and consider acting together.

Ian Hague closed the meeting at 8:20pm with warm wishes:

"We look forward to seeing you all at our next open meeting Thursday 30th January 2026. Until then, have a good Christmas, and all the best for the New Year."



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POLICE REPORT

PCSO Pam Thompson has sent this update of local incidents since the last meeing these were read out by Steve Reynolds at our latest Open Meeting

Holiday Time Burglaries

Homes on Headland Drive, Marsh Lane, Sandygate Park, and Headland Road were all targeted in the same week. The method was identical: the offender climbed up to a bedroom window, then forced or smashed it to get inside. Jewellery was stolen, and in most cases, the residents were away on holiday.

Let's help each other stay safe. If you're heading off for a break:

-Use timer switches to make your lights come on in the evening.

- Let a neighbour know you're away, they can keep an eye out and even move post or bins.

- Install a video doorbell or CCTV system that links to your phone, so you'll get alerts if someone approaches your property.

- Hold off posting holiday snaps on social media until you're back.

A little planning goes a long way. Let's keep our community safe and look out for one another

Community Alert: E-Bike Related Incidents in S10 Area

We've had reports of youths on E-Bikes across Sheffield, including in the S10 area. They are often dressed in black clothing and wearing balaclavas, and have been involved in criminal activity and intimidating members of the public.

What to do if you see this behaviour:

- If a crime is happening right now or there is immediate danger, call 999.

- For non-emergency incidents, call 101 or email:- www.southyorkshire.police.uk to report a crime, with details of what you've seen.

- If safe to do so, please include any photos or video footage that could help. If anyone needs further information, please email me directly.

Pamela.Thompson@southyorkshire.police.uk

Stay alert, stay connected. If you see something, say something. Your report could protect a neighbour, a friend, or a loved one. Let's stand together against intimidation and crime.

You know you can report non-emergency incidents and access other police services quickly and easily online? Visit www.southyorkshire.police.uk to find out more.

Any issues ask residents to email me direct or email us via the online reporting if it's a crime. Sorry I couldn't make it tonight. Pam Thompson



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There's no blanket law in England mandating 20mph limits, each council decides where to apply the limit.

In Sheffield, the Council have trialled and rolled out 20mph zones on many residential roads, the city centre, and around schools, These trials paved the way for permanent measures to protect children, reduce accidents, and make walking and cycling more inviting.

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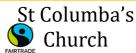
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Christmas services at Stephen Hill/St Columba's Churches 2025

Details below give dates, times and venues for our services. All are welcome.

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Monday 8 th December	10.30am to 11.30am	Pre-Christmas Carol Sing	Stephen Hill
Wednesday 10 th December	7.45pm	Salvation Army Brass Band Concert	Stephen Hill
Sunday 21 st December	4.00pm	Carol Service with Nativity	St Columba's
Wednesday 24 th December	4.00pm	Christingle Service	Stephen Hill
Wednesday 24 th December	11.30pm	Midnight Communion	Stephen Hill
Thursday 25 th December	10.00am	Christmas Day Service	St Columba's

Other Upcoming Dates & Themes

November 26 th 2-4pm	December 17 th 2-4pm	January 28 th 2-4pm
Judith Hanson with Crosspool nostalgia, photos and artifacts	Christmas!	Watch this space!

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Stephen Hill & St Columba's -Something for all ages

Did you know that the church offers something for all ages across both our sites? Activities during the week include groups for babies and preschoolers.

For school age children there are weekly theatre and music groups, uniformed organisations, and for families there is a monthly Family Fun Friday.

Activities for adults include Yoga classes, keep fit, Pilates, chess club and choir. For the older generation, we have a monthly Memory Café, a Carers' Café, and weekly Monday Morning Coffee and Wednesday Lunch Club.

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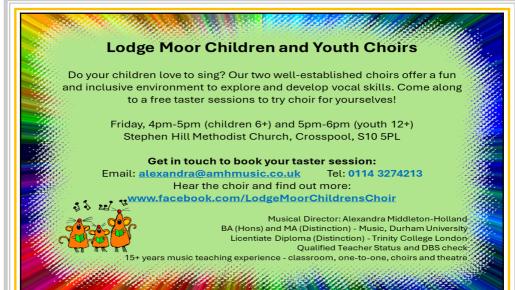
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CROSSPOOL CARERS CAFÉ- A WARM WELCOME TO CARERS!

We meet on the third Monday of the month around 10.30 am at Stephen Hill Methodist Church where we are made very welcome with coffee and biscuits.

If you are looking after a friend or family member with any illness or disability you can join us whether you call yourself a carer or not.



JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION AT STEPHEN HILL

Looking for a friendly way to start your week or ease into the weekend? Come along to one of our welcoming coffee mornings at Stephen Hill, held every Monday and Friday from 10am to noon. It's not just about good coffee and great company, all proceeds go to support our Church Charities. This year, we're proud to introduce two new partner charities:" Shaped" and "Embrace", both doing fantastic work in our wider community. Further details can be found on the notice board in the Forum at Stephen Hill. We'd love to see you there!

SUITABLE FOR ALL AGE GROUPS

Volunteering at local churches can be a fulfilling way to give back to the community. Why not check out the many weekly activities we have at our two churches, Email or ring for details.

We are always looking for new volunteers in all the lovely groups we run. So if you are interested in volunteering please contact. chidrens@stcolumbacrosspool.org.uk

Family Fun Friday Stephen Hill Church every 1st Friday of the Month 6:30 till 8pm



CROSSPOOL LUNCHEON CLUB (5* RATED BY THE COUNCIL)



The Club is open to all over seventies. It is partially funded by the Sheffield City Council and meets every Wednesday at Stephen Hill Methodist Church. Lunch is served at $12.30\,\mathrm{pm}$ and is usually finished between $1.30\,\mathrm{and}$ $1.45\,\mathrm{pm}$. Come and join us in the Oxford Hall for a main meal and a pudding followed by a cup of tea for £5.00. Here is an opportunity for you to come and meet others in a friendly environment. We do have $2/3\,\mathrm{meeks}$ off around Christmas to give our cooks, helpers and washers-up a

well-deserved break.

We are very grateful for the team of helpers who regularly cook, set and clear tables and wash up. Their reliability, good humour and hard work make providing lunches a pleasure. Their meals are pretty good too! We always have room for more helpers if you can spare the time. We provide transport for those who are less mobile but at the moment we do not have any spare places available. For more information contact Kath Smith 0114 2667089.



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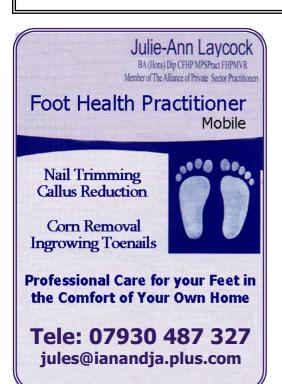


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CROSSPOOL IN BLOOM – SUMMER 2025

The summer of 2025 will be remembered as one of the driest on record, with long, sun-soaked days and barely a drop of rain. As the season drew to a close, water companies imposed a hosepipe ban to protect dwindling supplies. Yet even in these challenging conditions, our tireless team of volunteers kept the flower borders at Lydgate Green thriving, pulling weeds, watering carefully, and ensuring the beds remained a riot of colour for everyone to enjoy. Visitors frequently



paused to admire the displays and to thank our gardeners for their dedication.



The precinct, too, was alive with colour. From the planters and the flower bed outside Spar and the Pet Shop, to the circular beds in front of Hudson's and Aesthete cafés, the floral display by the Watt Lane bench, and the hanging baskets overhead, every corner bloomed throughout the summer. The pupils of King Edward School gave us a head start in spring, planting the planters with a cheerful mix of bed -ding plants. Since then, our volunteers have been out regularly to water, deadhead, and nurture the displays.

A heartfelt thank you goes to every member of the team. Without your commitment, Crosspool precinct would not be the warm, welcoming hub it has become. We also extend our gratitude to Richard and his team at Valleyside Gardens, whose support helps Crosspool flourish year after year. From vibrant summer bedding to sparkling Christmas trees, their generosity continues to brighten our shared spaces.

We would like to make a special mention of **Heather Sharpe**, who is stepping down after many years of lovingly tending the two displays beside the Watt Lane bench. Her colourful combinations of geraniums, wallflowers, and spring bulbs have delighted us season after season. Thank you, Heather, for your dedication.

By the time this winter issue of the Clarion reaches you, the precinct will once again be refreshed with winter bedding, thanks to the efforts of Cath Jackson and the pupils of King Edward Lower School.

If you'd like to join our precinct floral team next year, we'd love to hear from you. Together, we can keep Crosspool blooming.



Lydgate Tree Removal



In early October, Sheffield City Council's tree surgeons removed two dead elm trees from the gateway to Lydgate Green. A third tree on nearby Lydgate Lane been taken down shortly beforehand due to severe decay at its base.

While SCC always strive to preserve our city's greenery, public safety remains paramount, especially when a tree's natural lifespan is cut short by disease or structural decline.

Loneliness can be quiet but it's all around us.

It might show up as a neighbour who's stopped waving, a friend who no longer joins in, or a smile that seems a little dimmer. These gentle signs remind us to stay alert and reach out.

Community isn't built on big gestures. It grows through everyday kindness; a wave across the street, a doorstep chat, a shared cuppa. Each small act says, You belong.

This winter, let's look out for one another. A little connection can go a long way and together, we can make sure no one feels left behind.

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CROSSPOOL: OUR STORY, OUR FUTURE

Perched above the Porter and Rivelin valleys, Crosspool has always been a place of horizons, green views stretching to the Pennines, and a community looking forward together. Two centuries ago, this hillside was little more than scattered farms and cottages. Slowly, villas and workers' houses appeared, then schools, shops, and churches. By the mid-20th century, Crosspool had grown into a thriving suburb, with Manchester Road carrying people to and from the city, and a bustling shopping parade at its heart.

But what has always set Crosspool apart isn't just its location, it's the people. Generations have built more than houses here; they've built belonging. From bakers and butchers to teachers and volunteers, neighbours have shaped a community that values heritage, cares for its environment, and looks out for one another.

That spirit continues today through the "Crosspool Forum". For years, the Forum has been a place for ideas and action, organising festivals, advocating improvements, celebrating our history, and tackling the everyday challenges of community life. It's where conversations turn into projects, and projects turn into pride.

Now, we'd love you to be part of the next chapter. Joining the Forum Committee isn't about titles or experience, it's about enthusiasm, fresh ideas, and a willingness to roll up your sleeves alongside friends and neighbours. Whether your passion is local history, sustainability, events, or simply lending a hand, there's a place for you at the Crosspool Forum.

Our meetings are informal, welcoming, and full of laughter as well as purpose. Together, we can keep Crosspool not just a place to live, but a place to belong.

Interested? Drop Ian & Steve a line at crosspoolforum@gmail.com or come along to our next Open Meeting, 29th January 2026.

Let's keep Crosspool thriving, connected, and full of life, for today, and for the generations yet to come. Ed.

CROSSPOOL'S NEW COCKTAIL BAR IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

Since its launch in March 2025, Valencia Restaurant has attracted a steady stream of visitors eager to enjoy its acclaimed cuisine, establishing itself as one of the precinct's sought after dining venues.

Following the closure of the previous Indian restaurant, the upper floor of the building has remained unoccupied. Valencia's owners have now commenced restoration works to trans-form the space into a contemporary Cocktail Bar. The opening is anticipated for early December, subject to the successful completion of works.

This new development promises to further enhance the precinct's reputation as a thriving destination for dining and social gatherings

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OPENING TIMES

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ALL CLASSES BASED IN CROSSPOOL

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CROSSPOOL SUMMER FESTIVAL SUNDAY STREET MARKET, 28 JUNE 2026: CHAMPIONS REQUIRED!

Are you a proud Crosspudlian whose heart is warmed by the coming together of the community at the annual Selborne Road Street Market? Why not make certain that this event takes place in 2026 by volunteering?

We're sure that you'll make friends and have fun in the process! Be part of the community by checking you are free on 28 June 2026 and, if available, sign up by 12 December 2025 to help make the 2026 Market the most successful yet!

We are currently recruiting volunteers for the following roles:

Volunteer(s) A to ensure the smooth setting up of the stalls (8am start)

Volunteer(s) B to assist in helping to direct traffic as stall holders leave (4pm start)

Volunteer(s) C to assist with rubbish collection (12-4pm)

Volunteer(s) D to act as stewards, helping with visitor queries, Lost &Found, First Aid etc.

(12-4pm) Time commitment will be limited to a 1-hour briefing meeting plus no more than a couple of hours on the day. And, if you fancy it, taking part in a 'thank you' get together after the event!

To find out what these vital roles involve, please contact Chris Batchelor (batchelor.cl@gmail.com) to decide whether to become a Crosspool Champion in as as many as you like.

Street Market Organiser: You will play a key role in coordinating the volunteers and tasks required to ensure the overall success of the event. Duties will include managing the volunteers, booking stall holders and allocating them to their pitches, ensuring that residents and shop owners are aware of the event date/time and that Selborne Road is legally and safely cordoned off. Full details are available from Chris Batchelor. Clear guidance and pro forma are also available, as is the support of previous organisers, to assist you in making Crosspool Street Market 2026 the best ever!

Applications, addressed to Chris Batchelor, should be received by 12 December 2025.

We very much look forward to making your acquaintance.

Crosspool Festival Committee





TAPTON HILL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS TOGETHER

Come one, come all, neighbours, friends, and families, for a season of joy, reflection, and community spirit at Tapton Hill Congregational Church, Tapton Hill Rd, Crosspool Sheffield S10 5GA,

Tele: 0114 230 8191 - facebook.com/sheffieldcongregational/

Sunday 30th November – 2:45pm Advent Sunday. A gentle beginning to the season as we prepare ourselves for the joy and meaning of Christmas.

Sunday 14th December – 2:45pm Carols with Loxley Silver Band. Celebrate with stirring brass and beloved carols, an uplifting afternoon for all ages.

Wednesday 17th December – 6:30pm. A Blue Christmas Service. A quieter, contemplative gathering for those who find the season difficult. All are welcome.

Sunday 21st December – 2:45pm Traditional Carol Service. Sing along to timeless carols and share in the warmth of community and tradition.

Wednesday 24th December – 6:30pm Christmas Eve Short Service. A joyful, family-friendly celebration suitable for all ages as we welcome Christmas together.

Whether you're a regular or just curious, we'd love to welcome you. Let's make this Christmas a celebration of connection, kindness, and shared hope.

Childrens Christmas Party

St Columba's Church Hall

Every Child Will Receive a Gift from Father Christmas

Sunday 14th December 2pm - 4pm

"Barney Baloney Show"
Tickets £5 per Child
(refreshments included)
available at
Crosspool Pet Supplies
22 Sandygate Road

crosspoolforum@gmail.com

Crosspool Christmas Tree Recycling

The Precinct Christmas trees go up on Sunday 7th December 2025

When the festive lights come down,
Crosspool turns recycling into a community ritual. On Sunday 4th January
from 10:00 until 12:00 noon, bring
your used Christmas tree to the
Direct Travel concourse for
eco-friendly disposal.
Suggested donation: £3 to

support local initiatives.
Please arrive by: 12:00 noon, no trees accepted after this time.

If you can, drag your tree to the concourse to cut carbon emissions. It's a simple, green way to finish the season together and start the new year with community spirit.

2026 Crosspool Calendar

The new redesigned Crosspool Calendar is more than dates on a page; it's a year of community. Every copy helps support local life, funding local activities, reaching out to isolated neighbours and caring for the environment. Pick up your copy for just £3 from GT News, Crosspool Pet Supplies, Enhance, Charisma or by emailing:

crosspoolforum@gmail.com

CROSSPOOL PROBUS CLUB

www.crosspoolprobus.co.uk



Crosspool Probus is an active social club providing a wide range of guest speakers and outings in a friendly atmosphere for retired and older gentlemen

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> Contact: J B Senior (secretary) Tele: 0114 4182395

Email: secretary@crosspoolprobus.co.uk

