



## Wirksworth Civic & History Society

### Newsletter –March 2008

#### **The lecture season**

March 20 <sup>th</sup>	The Fascination of Churches	Danny Wells
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	The story of the Luttrell Psalter	Kate Holland

#### *Outside events:*

**The Peak District Mining Museum** –July 17<sup>th</sup>, final confirmation awaited; there will be a charge for the visit.

**Guided tour of Melbourne** – May 15<sup>th</sup>, led by the Chair of the Melbourne Civic Society; meeting at 7.15; please allow around 50 minutes for the journey. If you need transport, or can offer a place in your car, please let me know.

**Lincoln** –Wednesday 11th June; 1 place left on the coach; £14 per person.

#### **Church Walk Group**

The group has identified a number of areas which need development & improvement. The next stage is to explore possible sources of funding.

Notes and action plans resulting from the meetings are on the Civic Society website.

If you have any views, please let me know.

#### **Town Map**

The Town Map is now at the printer and should be ready for distribution in early April after a 'launch' event.

Every household will receive a copy and various organisations will have multiple copies to hand to visitors to the Town.

Congratulations to Tony Holmes who has done an excellent job in designing the map.

#### **Townscape Working Party**

The group continues its work monitoring street cleaning, the condition of roads & pavements & conservation issues.

We have met with officers of the Derbyshire County Council, the Derbyshire Dales District Council and the Town Council to discuss our concerns.

We have also met with the Conservation Officer to look at the buildings at risk.

#### **Website**

I was very pleased to receive an offer from Paul Clarke to take over the website from Andy Link. Paul has already begun to put additional information for visitors to the site.

## **AGM & elections**

**April 17<sup>th</sup> at The Baptist Meeting Room after the lecture (approximately 8.30-9.00pm)**

As I explained in the last Newsletter, the Constitution states that the officers shall hold their roles for a maximum of three years.

Janet & I have indicated to the Committee that we would be willing to continue in our current roles, probably for a maximum of two years, to maintain continuity & to give other members time to prepare to take over.

However, that would require a change in the Constitution.

The Committee, therefore, is proposing such an amendment for the AGM.

The Constitution states:

*'The Officers of the Society shall consist of:*

*Chairman*

*Vice Chairman*

*Honorary Secretary*

*Honorary Treasurer*

*All of whom shall relinquish their office every year and shall be eligible for re-election at the Annual General meeting. Officers shall not, however, serve for more than three consecutive terms.'*

The proposal at the AGM that the final sentence (*Officers shall not, however, serve for more than three consecutive terms.*) be removed.

It is important to note that these positions will still need to be elected on an annual basis.

*We shall also be seeking a Treasurer/Membership Secretary at the AGM.*

Nomination sheets are attached to this letter. You will need to secure the agreement of the nominee before submitting the form.

The agenda for the AGM is also attached to this Newsletter.

## **Subscription**

If you have overlooked your subscription, would you please renew it as soon as possible, please?

It's £8 per person; please make cheques out to Wirksworth Civic Society and send to:

Janet Pidgeon, 10 Summer Drive, Wirksworth, DE4 4EL.

***If you have any concerns about YOUR Town, do join us in our activities.***

Yours sincerely,

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## **Wirksworth Civic & History Society**

### **AGM**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2008**

**Baptist Church Meeting Room 8.30pm (*after the lecture*)**

### **Agenda**

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Minutes of previous AGM**
- 3. Matters arising**
- 4. Reports**
  - Chair**
  - Treasurer**
  - Chair of Townscape Working Party**
  - Events' Secretary**
  - Webmaster**
  - Town Council**
- 5. Amendment to Constitution**
- 6. Election of:**
  - Chair**
  - Secretary**
  - Treasurer**
  - Events' Secretary**
  - Committee**
- 7. Subscription 2008/09**
- 8. AOB**
- 9. Date & time of next AGM**



## Annual General Meeting

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April

8.30pm

Baptist Meeting Room

I wish to nominate:

Chair .....	currently Colin Pidgeon
Secretary .....	currently Janet Pidgeon
Treasurer.....	currently Janet Pidgeon
Events' Secretary.....	currently Graham Barfield
Committee.....	currently Ian Dare, Adam Lathbury, Paul Clarke Coopted members: Barry Joyce(Design & Conservation) Mike Ratcliffe(Town Council Marian Vaughan (Heritage Centre)

I have approached the person concerned and s/he has agreed to stand

I would like to join the Committee Yes/ No

I do/do not intend to attend the AGM

Signed..... Name.....

*Please return to: Janet Pidgeon, 10 Summer Drive, Wirksworth, DE4 4EL*