

**Parish Council
Annual Report**
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A letter from the editor

Hello everyone, welcome to the summer edition of your newsletter. I would like first of all to thank you all for your kind words and support after the last newsletter which was my first as editor. It was lovely to hear from you all especially from old friends and neighbours and to catch up on all the gossip! It was also very heart-warming to hear how so many of you dusted off your walking boots and walked our footpaths inspired by Colin Bower's map of the footpaths in our area. We did have one comment that the footpath which goes through Silkstone Golf Course has been altered so apologies for that error. We have also had reduced complaints with regards to dog fouling. Only two complaints this time both in Silkstone, one on the High Street and the other in front of the OAP bungalows off Martin Croft. On the High Street episode one of our residents brought home more than he intended to after an evening in one of our local pubs, his wife was not happy! Not exactly a perfect end to a night out. No complaints from Silkstone Common so we can presume that the streets there are clean and fragrant once again? I certainly hope so but then I am always the eternal optimist!

I was sad to hear that Dodworth Male Voice Choir had disbanded after so many years of bringing so much enjoyment to our area. However if there are any men in our community who wish to exercise their vocal chords then do not despair there is a choir out there for you! Millhouse Green Male Voice Choir has their practise night every Monday at 7.30 at the Millhouse Green Institute, contact Melvyn Dyson on 766286. If you are able to access the Internet check out their web site on www.mgmvc.co.uk for details of their next performances.

In this edition we have very exciting details of the book, Victoria's Children of the Dark, A Silkstone Story by Alan Gallop. Alan's book was first published in hardback in 2003 and the paperback edition is available from June 2010.

We also have an interesting article regarding our Green Belts and if there are any of our readers particularly interested in climate change and you have access to a computer log on to a European funded project which wants to hear your views on such topics, log on to <http://www.jointhewave.org/>.

In this edition's centre fold we have the Silkstone Parish Council Annual Report 2009/10. This informs you of the important events during the year and the progress we have made including the accolade of becoming a Quality Council. Could I also remind you of the Flower Festival in the parish church which starts on the 2nd of July.

I hope you enjoy this edition and that you all have a lovely summer. Hopefully this summer's weather will be better than last year and we can all get our barbeques out!

Views expressed in this newsletter are those of the contributors not necessarily the views and policies of the Parish Council.

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Chairman's letter

Recycling and Bonfires

The local authority recycling program has been with us for a few years now and it seems to be working without too many problems. In order to make these schemes more effective, it now seems some councils are making more use of the 'Bin Police' and threatening to take persistent waste offenders to court and impose large fines. Fortunately, I've not heard of any cases in the Barnsley area but there has been an increase in two problems in other areas, the obvious problem being fly-tipping.

With the fine for fly-tipping being less than the one for 'incorrect use' of a recycling bin, there is a temptation just to dump any dubious rubbish. The other problem is the increasing use of domestic bonfires to dispose of burnable waste. Since we are now in the lightest part of the year, there are more opportunities to have a bonfire late into the evening. Unfortunately this can cause a number of problems, not the least if your neighbour has left out the washing! There are other problems relating to pollution, especially if inappropriate materials are burnt, health and the fire spreads to other objects such as fences. There is also an issue of where to have a bonfire. You can't have one within 51 feet of a public highway. So if your house has a road at the front (most likely) and a footpath at the back, and the total distance is less than 102 feet, you can't have a bonfire in your garden.

If you want to know more about the do's and don'ts of garden bonfires, you can download a leaflet from:

http://www.environmental-protection.org.uk/assets/library/documents/Bonfires_leaflet_Oct07.pdf

Or alternatively, write to:

Environmental Protection UK, 44 Grand Parade, Brighton, BN2 9QA

Note: The word bonfire is derived from bone fire – the method used to dispose of animal bones.

Dog Fouling Again

This item seems to be coming up in every newsletter these days but we will keep banging on about it until all dog owners act in a responsible manner and clean up after their pet. It has been

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brought to my attention that there is a particular problem on the narrow pavement leading away from the Red Lion. This route is well used by children going to and from school as well as parents with pushchairs who have to negotiate around the mess and sometimes have to go into the road. The dangers here are obvious so if it is your dog using this pavement as its toilet please **clean it up**.

Richard and Colin

After I don't know how many years, Colin Bower has stood down as vice-chairman to the Parish Council. The work he has undertaken for the Parish Council and other organisations such as CARE and Twinning Committee has been immense. We can't thank him enough for all his efforts. Richard Leech has been appointed as the new vice-chairman so we wish him well in his new role.

Derek Liddell

Quote of the issue

"Never wear anything that panics the cat."
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Fire & Rescue Service Consultation

A three-month public consultation is now under way, which is seeking the views of local people like you on the future of South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue. Like most other public sector organisations, SYFR expects to lose a significant amount of its Government funding over the coming years. They are asking for your views on some key issues around how they can continue to provide the high standard of services people expect, but with reduced money available.

You can read the consultation booklet by visiting www.syfire.gov.uk and looking for the "Public Consultation" story on the front page.

Alternatively, to receive a hard copy version of the booklet in the post, e-mail: press@syfire.gov.uk. Make sure you include your name and full address in the e-mail. Or text FIRE to 87023. Or write to Consultation, South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue, Eyre Street, Sheffield, S1 3FG.

This consultation doesn't make any specific proposals or recommendations. Instead, it asks for your views on key issues to help contribute to the development of future plans. At the end of this consultation, SYFR will consider all the responses and use them to help inform the development of more concrete plans for the way it proposes to deliver services in 2011-14. They will publish those more specific proposals in autumn 2010 and there will be another public consultation then.

Once you have read the consultation booklet and considered your response, you can complete the online survey on their website or write your answers in the booklet and post it back to the address above. The deadline for responses is Monday 2nd August.

Crime Figures for the Parish

	Silkstone	Silkstone Common
January 2010	4	0
February 2010	4	0
March 2010	5	8*
April 2010	4	1

* 4 of these were car/vehicle crimes.

Victoria's Children of The Dark

A Silkstone Story by Alan Gallop

A book which Silkstone people have taken to their hearts will be appearing in a new paperback edition in June.

Children of the Dark, by Alan Gallop – whose maternal family come from Kexborough – was originally published as a hardback edition in 2003. It was a contender for the Wolfson History prize and was serialised in the Daily Mail, but has been difficult to obtain for the last few years. Some copies have even been sold on internet books sites for as much as £90!

The new edition, now revised and updated, will appear under the name of *Victoria's Children of the Dark* – price £12.99. It tells the story of Queen Victoria's invisible subjects; women, children and men who laboured beneath her 'green and pleasant land' harvesting the coal to fuel the furnaces of the industrial revolution.

Following the real fortunes of the Burkinshaw family from Silkstone - seven-year old Joey, his 10-year old brother George, their father John and mother Ann – the author recreates the events surrounding the July 1838 Huskar Pit disaster; a tragedy which helped to liberate women and children from the mines and lead to better working conditions for colliers.

Chained to carts and toiling half naked for eighteen hour shifts in near darkness, children as young as four were employed by mine owners. Yet it was not until the catastrophe at Silkstone Common when 26 children – aged between seven and 17 – were drowned in a mineshaft leading into Nabs Wood that Queen Victoria and her subjects realised that tens of thousands of Britons were existing in virtual slavery.

This powerful and dramatic account exposes the real lives and working conditions of 19th century miners. A gripping human story, *Victoria's Children of the Dark* brings history, particularly the history of childhood, vividly to life.

Alan Gallop lives in Surrey but comes from a strong Yorkshire mining background. In the 1850s his great-grandfather, Constantine Wood worked as a hurrier and later as a getter in coalmines in the Bradford area.

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His son, Harry, was born in 1884 and ran away from home at the age of 16 when he walked from Bradford to Darton where he lodged at the Rose & Crown Inn. He worked at North Gawber Colliery shortly after arriving in the area and remained there until retirement in 1950. Harry's family home was in Kexborough and his sons, son-in-laws and grandson all worked at Woolley Colliery until the pit closed in 1987.

Victoria's Children of the Dark is fully illustrated and published by The History Press (ISBN-10: 0752456989) on June 1. Copies can be reserved in advance from www.amazon.co.uk or from your favourite bookshop. Alan Gallop can be contacted at alan@alangallop.co.uk.

Join the WAVE

Wave is a European Project looking at using an online state-of-the-art 'mind-mapping tool to debate issues such as climate change, wind farms, building on green belt land and road congestion. The forum, which is free of charge to all users, uses ground breaking graphical techniques to enable everyone, regardless of their level of knowledge, to exchange views on complex climate change issues.

The results of the discussions will be shared with politicians across Europe to help them make better informed decisions on climate change measures.

If you have an issue around climate change or any related topic that you would like to discuss, why not visit: www.jointhewave.org

Silkstone In Bloom

The next planting/weeding day at Silkstone Common is:

- Friday 2nd July.

Meet 10 am at the Station Inn car park. Any help would be appreciated

Thank you to individuals who look after certain boxes and beds and people who litter pick around the village as well.

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For Silkstone: Contact Jean Morrison on 790036



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Penistone Safer Neighbourhood Team

Police working to keep Silkstone and Silkstone Common are safe for residents

Penistone Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) and partners continue to work hard to ensure Silkstone and Silkstone Common are safe places to live and visit.

PC Mark Silcock said, "The areas are extremely safe places to live; only 17 crimes being reported in Silkstone and 9 in Silkstone Common from January – April 30th 2010."

Is there a safety issue concerning you? Something you want addressing? Then attend your next PACT (partners and communities together) meeting along with police, councillors and other local representatives to have your voice heard and influence future policing in your community.

A new PACT priority highlighted by the public and one which the SNT will be focusing on, is speeding in Silkstone Common. Police will be carrying out regular high visibility patrols to deter and catch offenders who endanger lives by exceeding the limit.

The lighter evenings and warmer weather unfortunately attracts opportunist thieves searching for valuables from sheds and garages including gardening and sports equipment. Everyone should ensure the safety of their property by implementing basic crime prevention techniques.

PC Mark Silcock said, "Make sure valuables such as power tools, bikes and golf clubs are kept out of sight and can't be seen through windows or doors. Fit a quality lock to doors and install an alarm to provide extra security. *"You could even mark your valuables with SmartWater, an invisible UV liquid which means any lost or stolen property found by police can be returned to the owner."*

For further details of your next PACT meeting or to speak to your local police team, please call the Penistone SNT contact line on 01226 736387

Barnsley MBC web-site

If you want to report something specifically to do with the highway such as a pot hole or damaged road sign you can e-mail roads@barnsley.gov.uk If you do not have internet access contact Barnsley MBC on 01226-770770.

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Meetings

Parish Council meetings alternate between Silkstone and Silkstone Common monthly. The Silkstone meeting at Silkstone Primary School is on the first Monday of the month and the Silkstone Common meetings at the Methodist Chapel on the first Tuesday of the month. A public question time is held between 6.45pm and 7.00pm.

Parish Council Meeting dates for the remainder of 2010.

7 June	Parish Council	Silkstone Primary School
6 July	Parish Council	Methodist Chapel, Silkstone Common
6 Sept	Parish Council	Silkstone Primary School
5 Oct	Parish Council	Methodist Chapel, Silkstone Common
1 Nov	Parish Council	Silkstone Primary School
7 Dec	Parish Council	Methodist Chapel, Silkstone Common

Our mission

“To improve the quality of life for the residents in and visitors to Silkstone and Silkstone Common.”

An overview by the Chairman Cllr Derek Liddell

Parish Councillors - Thanks

Firstly, I would like to thank all the councillors who have given their time and efforts for the benefit of the Parish this last twelve months.

Councillor Colin Bower
Councillor Pat Smith
Councillor Ron Stier
Councillor Pete Handley
Councillor Richard Brocklehurst
Councillor Jonathan Charlesworth
Councillor Pat Gallamore
Councillor Richard Leech

Achievements

I mentioned last year that our clerk, Karen Canadine, had passed the "Working With Your Council" certificate. This year she continued her hard work and completed the "Certificate In Local Council Administration". As a result the council was able to apply for, and obtained, Quality Council status. This demonstrates that the Council is run in a professional manner with up to date policies and procedures in place. The Council also met all the requirements to adopt the Power of Well Being that allows the Parish Council more flexibility in taking actions that improve "The Economic, Social or Environmental well being of the community". None of this would be possible without our hard working Parish Clerk.

Meetings

Attendance at Parish Council meeting this year was 85%. This has been consistent now for a number of years. Yet again the weather affected our meetings as the January meeting had to be postponed for two weeks.

Following the closure of the Mission Rooms, Parish Council meetings in Silkstone Common now take place on the first Tuesday of the month in the Methodist Church.

All the councillors, and the clerk, continue to attend meetings or serve on groups on behalf of the Parish Council and that ultimately means on your behalf.

I hope you will continue to encourage and support all the councillors in their efforts to make Our Parish a better place to live.

More Thanks

There are people not on the Parish Council who do a lot for us. Linda Marsh continues to support the production of the newsletter and Mark Haigh continues to deliver it. Thanks also to Colin Waring for the quality of the work undertaken around the Parish, especially on the recreation ground and the changing rooms. I would also like to make a special mention, as I did a few years ago, of Mr & Mrs Fieldsend who continue to litter-pick and tidy Cone Lane. Tony is also a regular attendee of, and a contributor to, the Parish Council Meetings. I would also like to thank the CARE group for their continuing work around the parish.

Parish Council

Precept – The Parish Council has held the precept this year at £60,500.

Parish Council Newsletter – For many years, the Newsletter has been the main vehicle by which the Parish Council has communicated with the Parish. This year, Colin Bower, after editing the first fifty editions, decided to retire from the position. The Parish Council wished to thank Colin for making the newsletter so successful. The new editor is Diane Brown who has worked with the Parish Council on other occasions. We wish her all the best in the role and look forward to changes she wishes to make.

Legislation – A piece of legislation that we nearly missed re-instated the power of Parish Councils to create Freeman of the Parish. This power was available to Parish Councils but lost in the 1974 re-organisation. It has now been restored so if you know of anyone deserving of this honour, please let us know.

Silkstone War Memorial – The Parish Council was unable to secure funding for the development project in the area surrounding the war memorial. This was mainly due to land being owned by BMBC. Negotiations are now taking place that will either transfer the land to the Parish Council or grant us a very long lease that should enable us to obtain the grants required for the work.

Woodlands – The Parish Council is working with the South Yorkshire Forestry Partnership and The Forestry Commission to create a management plan for all our woodland areas.

Recreation Grounds - The adverse weather during the winter has again resulted in an ingress of water into the changing rooms on Silkstone Recreation ground. Studies are taking place to decide the best solution to the problem. Silkstone Common Recreation Ground will have a concrete cricket wicket added this year.

Poster Competition – The Parish Council ran a road safety competition this year with the winning posters published in the newsletter. The winners were Joshua Plant-Hately and Kira Rossiter.

Parish

Crime and Safety – The level of crime and anti-social behaviour continues to fall and this trend is one we want to continue. The Parish Council did consider applying for a Designated Public Place Order to prevent underage drinking on Silkstone Recreation ground but after receiving police advice on the effectiveness of such orders decided not to pursue it. There has been an increase in the number of drive-offs from Silkstone Garage that has prompted the Co-op to only allow HGV's to use the high-speed diesel pump.

Pals Memorial Stone – The service of dedication for the Pals Memorial Stone took place on the 16th May last year and the Roggins group are now in the process of creating an Interpretation Board for the site.

Youth Participation – The Youth Participation Worker, Lauren Simmons, who joined us last year has now left and been replaced by Emma Baines and Tom Markham. They are continuing the MUGA project, which has unfortunately been held up by the need to get planning permission.

Scout Hut – Funding for this project has been difficult to obtain. It is now being called a Community Building in the hope this will allow a greater range of funders to be approached.

Twinning Visit – We had a very successful visit from our twin town of St Florent des Bois which included trips to York, Hull and Castleton.

During the visit, plans were discussed for the 20th Anniversary celebrations to be held in St. Florent, 24 - 31 July in 2011.

A section of footpath 8, from Ben Bank Road to Hall Royd Walk has now been named St Florent Way. Many thanks to the organisers, especially Yvonne Dinsdale, and those people who accommodated the visitors.

Other Events – There was another successful 2 Villages event, which included Rocking The Rec and the more controversial Barnsley Original Music (BOMFest) event at Silverwood.

Winter Weather – We had one of the worst winters for many years, which resulted in a large number of requests for grit bins in different locations. Unfortunately we had a lot of grit taken from the bins for use by individuals for their own driveways. The grit bins are for public use on roads and footways. As a result, next year there may be fewer bins but more gritting on more roads by BMBC. I must add at this point, that despite the excessive demand for grit, the Parish Council agreed that BMBC did an excellent job in keeping the main roads clear.

Next Year

General Election/Local Election – The Parish Council would encourage everyone to make sure you are registered to vote and that you use that vote. We are part of a new parliamentary constituency so if you want your favourite to win, make sure you vote on 6th May.

Parish Council – This will be last year of the current parish council so if you would like to make a difference and help improve the quality of life in the parish, please consider joining us next year. You can speak to the clerk, any councillor or myself about the role and the responsibilities of being a parish councillor.

The End

The Parish Council will continue to work to make the bad bits good and the good bits better. Thank you.

Cllr Derek Liddell
Chairman 2009-2010

The Parish Council Accounts 2000-2010

A full explanation of the accounts can be found on the Parish Council's website
silkstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk

Summary Receipts and Payments for the year ending 31 March 2009.

Receipts	2008/2009	2009/2010
Precept	0	60,500.00
Allotments	200.00	225.00
Bank interest	2196.17	66.75
Newsletter Adverts	635.00	1260.00
Grants	3,340.00	1,000.00
Pavilion & Rec User	3,042.75	3,379.00
Recreation	445.50	10.00
Admin	0	46.17
Vat	3,523.34	2,020.36
Total Receipts	13,382.76	68,507.28

Payments	2008/2009	2009/2010
Administration	7,467.60	8,549.63
Employees	16,302.01	17,578.40
Silkstone Recreation Ground & Pavilion	29,927.11	25,668.62
Recreation	6,479.78	6,610.05
Grants to local groups	5,340.00	3,285.07
s137 grants	1,025.00	1,072.43
Community facilities	1,085.00	0
Clerk & Councillor Training	1,323.30	1,570.00
Vat	3,618.56	1891.33
Total Payments	72,568.36	66,225.53

Overall summary

Fund Balance Summary	
Balance B/fwd	35,419.14
Receipts	68,507.28
Total	103,926.42
Payments	66,225.53
Balance C/fwd 31 March 2010	37,700.89

Mrs Karen Canadine
Parish Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer

Community Group Grants

In the 2009/2010 the Parish Council awarded grants to the following Community Groups ranging from £40 to £400 :

- Old Silkstone Band
- Old Silkstone B Band
- Silkstone Brownies
- Silkstone Guides
- Silkstone Scouts
- Silkstone Parish Church
- Silkstone Common WI
- Silkstone Common Ladies Choir
- Silkstone Luncheon Club
- Silkstone Lodge Bowling Club
- Silkstone Cricket Club
- Silkstone Common Good Companions
- Penistone Paramount
- Edward Bear Toddler Group
- 2 Villages Festival
- Silkstone Parish in Bloom
- Roggins Local History Group

More information about community groups in the Parish can be found on the Parish Council's web site or by contacting the Parish Clerk.



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Our Green Belts

Silkstone and Silkstone Common are lovely villages in which to live not only do we have a thriving community with good schools but we are surrounded by countryside which is currently green belt. Green belts enhance our environment and make our local area a better place to live. Home owners in the villages benefit from increased house prices due to the location of our villages within the countryside. A semi rural paradise is the phrase that estate agents describe our area.

However green belts throughout the country are being nibbled away and we need to be aware of this. Over 800 hectares a year in the UK disappears under development; and with them the clear distinction between city and country or between two towns or villages. When we lose green belt land we lose more than just a view, a potential recreation spot, or valuable farmland; we lose a sense of space. It is generally agreed that the UK has suffered more than some other European countries in the recent credit crunch because we do not grow enough of our own food and we have to import it from abroad. Plus we have a growing population which needs more housing and in turn needs more food. The land therefore is needed for both housing and food and something has to give. So what can we do in our semi rural paradise to protect our green belts?

The majority of our green belt is farmland therefore we need to support our local farmers in ensuring that they can farm their land without hindrance. Keep to the Country Side Code which states that;

- Keep to footpaths and do not trespass on farmland
- Leave crops, livestock and farm machinery alone
- Keep your dogs under control

You can also help by supporting local farm shops and if you are interested there are many support groups you can join which further the cause of protecting green belts such as the Campaign to Protect Rural England.

Silkstone Parish Council is committed to keeping our green belts and the character of our villages and set up the Silkstone Parish Design Statement design Group. The group mapped the green belts around the villages and produced a design

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statement which in 2007 was adopted by the Barnsley MBC as supplementary planning guidance 35. This ensures that the parish council is consulted when there are any planning applications affecting development in green belt areas. This is a positive move for our area but consultation does not necessarily mean that we could effectively halt all such development so we need to be aware of this. Should any one like a copy of this please look on our website or contact the Parish Clerk should you need a hard copy.

Above all enjoy the Countryside and respect its life and work.

Are you interested in our local history?

The Silkstone area has a rich history, and it is recorded in the plaques, monuments and tombstones of our parish church, and in the documents in local and more distant archives. Since archives were first set up, businesses, local authorities and individuals have deposited their records in the care of the archivists who work there, maintaining these invaluable stores of our history, carefully kept under conditions that ensure their continuing availability to anyone with an interest.

The documents tell the story of the rise and fall of the local glass, pottery, coal and iron industries, of shafts sunk, coal hewed and transported by horse and cart, waggonway, canal, sea and railway to distant markets; of men, women and children working underground, killed in accidents, living impoverished lives in simple cottages; of farmers working the land and paying their tithes, in early times to the church, then to tithe owners.

The church itself has a fine monument to General Sir Thomas Wentworth of Bretton, one of the finest marble monuments to a cavalier in the country. A plaque commemorates the life of Joseph Bramah, a noted inventor of the late 18th century who invented the flush toilet, an un-pickable lock, and the first ever hydraulic machinery – a printing press. Amongst others buried there are Abigail Pilmey, 17th century glass-maker, Thomas Cutler, who asked to be buried 'in the alley there nere unto my stall' (his tomb is in the centre aisle of the church).

A new group, called Silkstone heritage Group, has been formed to delve into these stories, to explore the archives and tell the story for the benefit of the

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public. If our grant application is successful, a space in the church, formerly used as a musician's gallery in the tower will be reused as a heritage workshop area.

If you would like to be part of this exciting initiative, contact Colin Bower on colin@i-online.co.uk or phone 790416.

A Personal Collection of Vivienne Westwood Shoes

A Personal Collection of Vivienne Westwood Shoes; this ultimate indulgence shows how a private collector has built this collection over the last 15 years, choosing them for their innovative attitude towards design and most importantly their passion.

This collection of more than 80 pairs of shoes by Vivienne Westwood, best known as the creator of punk and new wave fashions and for opening the Sex boutique in the 1970s with Malcolm McLaren, spans the decades from the 1970's and includes some classic examples of the innovation and passion inherent in the designer. The black 'spike' SEX shoe, the 'hammerhead' trainer, the 'pirate boot' the limited edition collection with Nine West and the recent mass market collaboration with the Brazilian company Melissa, clearly demonstrates that she remains the undisputed Queen of British fashion.

As someone who is normally not interested in shoes I was fascinated by the designs. How people walk or even stand in some is amazing others look very wearable. Add to this the quality of workmanship and the history of the various should and it is an altogether fascinating exhibition and one well worth seeing.



Date: Thursday 13 May – Saturday 17 July
Time: Daily with Free admission

While you are there pick up a brochure for events in the Civic's assembly rooms. They have a really varied programme: Dance, theatre, comedy, kid's.

www.barnsleycivic.co.uk

It's down George Yard, or go from Regent Street past the Mandela gardens.

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Clerk

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Parish Council meetings for 2010

Day	Date	Meeting	Location
Mon	07 Jun	PC	Silkstone Primary School
Tues	06 Jul	PC	Methodist Chapel, Silkstone Common
Mon	06 Sep	PC	Silkstone Primary School
Tues	05 Oct	PC	Methodist Chapel, Silkstone Common
Mon	01 Nov	PC	Silkstone Primary School
Tues	07 Dec	PC	Methodist Chapel, Silkstone Common

All Parish Council meetings commence at 6.45pm with public question time which lasts for a maximum of 15 minutes.

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Music

Silkstone Common Ladies Choir

Singing for pleasure. Meets Mondays, Silkstone Common Methodist Church 7:45pm

Contact: Mrs B Herbert 790167

Old Silkstone Band

Meets twice a week, Monday and Thursdays

Contact: David O'Connor on 790689 or Tracey Bostwick on 211071

"Old Silkstone 'B' Band"

Contact: Helen Croud, tel. 07890 592098 or Wayne Bostwick tel 01226 248539

Training Band (complete beginners) rehearsal every Monday 6:00-6:30pm,

'B' Band rehearsal every Monday 6:30-8:00pm

Venue: Silkstone Pavilion

Silkstone Bell Ringers

Meet every Monday Silkstone Church 7:30pm-9:00pm

Contact: Caroline Charlesworth

Shake Rattle and Roll Children's Music Group

Babies to 4 year old children welcome.

Singing, dancing, playing musical instruments, puppets and story time. A music group which helps to develop children's personal, social and emotional development.

Please come along and bring along mum, dad or carer to join in the fun.

We meet every Friday from 10 am until 11 noon including some school holidays at Silkstone Common Methodist Church, Ben Bank Road, Silkstone Common.

Tea, Coffee, Juice and Biscuits included.

Contact Tracy for further details on 01226 790240

Penistone SNT (Safer Neighbourhood Team)

Golden line 01226-736387

Call this number to report Anti Social Behaviour such as fly tipping, littering, grafitti, burnt out cars etc

Police Contact Numbers

01142-202020 - for all non emergencies and enquiries

01142-196761 - use this number if you have hearing difficulties

0800-555-111 - to call crimestoppers and report a crime anonymously

999 in the event of an emergency, if a crime is on-going or if there is danger to life, dial this number .

Sports/Activities

Silkstone United Football Club

Contact: Andy Horsfield 791929

Silkstone United Junior Football Club

Under 11's (year 6) - Steve High – tel. 07970249411

Under 12's (year 7) - John Ward – tel. 07786 525000

Under 13's year 8) - Kevin Grimshaw – tel. 01226 791613

Under 14's (year 9) - Shane Jackson – tel. 01226 390769

Under 16's (year 11) - Alan French – tel. 07816076396

Under 17's (year 12) - Mark Pearson – tel. 01226 766777

Please phone the relevant manager for details.

Silkstone United Cricket Club :

Headquarters: Ring o' Bells, Silkstone

Coaching / Practice night

7 - 13 year old, Mondays 6-8pm

U15's / U17's / Adults Tuesday's 6-8pm

Contacts:

U11's Kevin Taylor 790703 / 07771 940 733

U13's Owen Dyson 790956 / 07950 267 678

U15's & Club Secretary Stephen Chambers 387412 / 07836 733 852

U17's / 1st XI Darron Walker 791203 / 07887 518 980

2nd XI Daniel Walker 791203 / 07885 772 298

Website: www.silkstoneutd.play-cricket.com .

Silkstone Lodge Bowling Club

Secretary David Harris on Barnsley 790051

Environment/Local Interest

Silkstone – St Florent Association

The Parish of Silkstone is twinned with St Florent des Bois in the Vendee in France. Exchange visits are organised along with a variety of social and fund-raising events throughout the year.

Contact: Yvonne Dinsdale 790583

Silkstone Parish CARE Group

Aims to improve the natural environment. Activities include planting hedges, trees, bulbs. Carries out litter-picks. Tools available on loan to volunteer groups. Promotes caring for the environment.

Contact: Graham Wells 790732

Silkstone in bloom

Add floral colour for public enjoyment.

Contact: Jean Morrison 790036 (Silkstone) or Janet Barrett 790994 (Silkstone Common)

Donations gratefully accepted.

Silkstone Heritage Group

Contact: Colin Bower 790 416 or colin@i-online.co.uk

Hadrian's Drystone Walling

Drystone Walling in South Yorkshire

<http://hadriansdsw.blogspot.com/>

www.southyorkshiredswa.org.uk

Schools

Silkstone Common Junior & Infant School

Moorend Lane, Silkstone Common. Educates children 4-11 yrs

Contact: Mr Evans 790471

Silkstone Primary School

Educates children 4-11 yrs. The school is interested in developing the use of the school outside normal school hours.

Contact: Mr Simon Barber 790333

Little giants out of school & holiday club

Silkstone Primary School for children aged between 4 and 11 years. Monday to Friday
Phone 0785 4710299

Community Learning Programme

A wide range of courses and events —more being offered all the time. Contact Esther Parnham, via the PGS main switchboard 01226 762114 or by mobile: 07985 725634 or by email e.parnham2@barnsley.org

General

Silkstone Common Good Companions

Provides companionship, entertainment and recreation for the senior citizens of the village. Meets fortnightly on Wednesdays 2-4pm in the Methodist Church Hall. New members are very welcome

Annual subscription £3, refreshments 50p

Varied programme including theatre trips, visits, entertainments, Helpers welcome

Contact: Mrs Brayshaw 790196, Terry Daniel 386755

Royal British Legion Silkstone Branch

Meets on the second Friday in each month at 7:30pm
Branch HQ Silkstone Lodge

Contact: J.D. Mathews, 16 Stanhope Avenue Cawthorne

Silkstone Common W.I.

Meets second Friday each month at 7:15pm Silkstone Common Methodist Church

Silkstone Luncheon Club for the over 60s

Meets every Monday at 12 o'clock in Silkstone Lodge.

New members always welcome. Please call **791670**

Please contact the Parish Clerk on 391343 or silkstoneclerk@tiscali.co.uk if you wish to add your group to this list or amend any details of your local group on these pages

Children

Silkstone Pre-School Playgroup

Ofsted registered and Pre-School Learning Alliance Accredited setting. Offers term-time sessional care from 2 years onwards. Fully qualified caring staff. Lunch club available. Childcare vouchers accepted.

Contact Kathryn Gouling, Manager on 01226 792294 or email kg@silkstonepreschool.co.uk.

Visit us at www.silkstonepreschool.co.uk

Edward Bear Baby & Toddler Group

The playgroup meets at the Methodist Church, Silkstone Common on Monday & Wednesday Mornings 9am to 11.30am

£2 per parent/carer includes refreshments children free.

Under 4's and their parents/carers welcome

Contacts

Tracey 791067

Emma 790551

Silkstone Scouts, Guides and Brownies

Headquarters Silkstone Rec.

Cubs: youngsters 8-11 yrs, 6:30om-8pm Tuesdays

Scouts: boys and girls 10 ½ - 15 ½ yrs 7pm-9pm

Mark Slater: Group Scout Leader 29th Barnsley (Silkstone) 01226 767546 Markj121@hotmail.com

Guides: girls 10-15 yrs

Tel Freda Hope 01226 282645

Brownies: girls 7-10 yrs

Tel: Maxine Barrett 01226 790158

Childminders

For details of registered childminders please ring Childcare Information Service on:

0800 345340

Churches

All Saints Parish Church

Morning service and Eucharist 9:15am 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday, 10:45am 2nd and 4th Sunday. Evening Service 6:45pm 1st and 3rd Sunday

Contact Rev Simon A. Moor 790232

Silkstone Common Methodist Church

Morning Service and LIGHT group (young people) – Sundays at 10-30am

Thursday LIGHT group (5-11 year olds) Alternate Thursdays from 3-45pm to 5-00pm

Sale of "Fairtrade" produce and coffee morning – second Saturday in the month from 10-30am to 12 noon

Contact for Methodist Church bookings Tel: 790461.

