

Silkstone Parish Magazine Autumn 2025 Issue 107



A selection of contents

Nabs Wood	5
Silkstone War Memorial	13
Addergram	18
Village walk pullout	19-22
Parish Council contact details	30-31
Gardening with Matt	34
Rooms for hire	36
Local Organisations	37-40

The Editor of this magazine is Sue Williams. Views expressed in in this magazine are those of the Contributors and not necessarily the views of the Parish Council.

Parish Clerk Tel : 07947545504 email: silkstoneparishcouncil@gmail.com

Web: www.silkstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk

A word from the Chair

Welcome to the autumn edition of the Silkstone Parish Magazine. Over summer, we've seen a range of events across the parish and enjoyed some lovely weather.

However, there has also been a rise in drug paraphernalia found at Silkstone playing field, more anti-social behaviour has been seen and reported across the parish. The ongoing issue of dog fouling in both villages continues to cause concern.

On a positive note, CARE continues to keep the parish looking attractive, the hanging baskets look fantastic, the works at Nabs Wood at the Huskar Memorial are impressive.

A special thanks to Stewart Walton and the Woodland Trust for their contributions.

Check the magazine out for more details on upcoming parish events before the winter/Christmas edition is published. Thank you for taking the time to reading the magazine, and a special thanks to Sue and Linda for assembling this issue.

Meryl
Chair Silkstone Parish Council

Silkstone Warm Welcome

Warm welcome, warm drinks, warm friendship

**September 2, 16 & 30
October 14 & 28
Nov 11 & 25
Dec 9 & 16**

Huskar Community Rooms - 10.00am -12.30pm

**Join us for drinks, biscuits, and a chat.
For more information contact:**

**Richard 07966 466507, Julia 07941 527250 or
Alan 07870 191873**

Parish Magazine Deliverer required for Silkstone only

4 times per year, £140 per edition. Over 18's only.

Please note it will take 10 hours to complete each delivery.

Please contact the Parish Clerk Tel : 07947545504 email:
silkstoneparishcouncil@gmail.com

Editorial — Spring 2025

Welcome to the Autumn 2025 edition of the Silkstone Parish Magazine.

We can't say we have not had a Summer, when we have had some dizzy temperatures, obviously mixed with a few down-pours now and again! For fruit growers it has been amazing, not so great for wheat growers. We will have to have more fruit for breakfast and less Weetabix! (other breakfast cereals are available!)



I bumped into Karen (from the CARE group) who shared that she has had 100's of knitted poppies given to her for their Remembrance Day displays this November. This is brilliant, but keep on knitting though, they need 100's more!

This Edition has our usual Heritage Silkstone/Roggins Local History Group's article about the fascinating journey of the Silkstone Memorial, our Brain teaser from Mick (where does he get all these questions from?). We also have Canon Keith's plea for support for the upkeep of our lovely All Saints Church, and a piece about the Nabs Wood Appreciation and Preservation event, courtesy of Stewart, the Wood Warden and Trustee. The Care group have also brought to our attention the importance of Dead Hedges, for people, wildlife and the environment. Knitted poppies are still on the CARE

group's agenda for their display in November! Barnsley College has shared information about their 2 Open Days in September, regarding their part-time courses.

Also, Derek gives us an update about the status of the Methodist Church in Silkstone Common.

The Wonderfully Made event is back, and Jane shares the history of the event. Is it time to start thinking about the C word ?

There is information about What's-On in Barnsley and Silkstone Parish, and we have a new section in Local Organisations (at the back of the magazine) regarding Rooms for Hire in the Parish. Please let us know if you have a Room/Rooms for Hire, for celebrations/events/hobbies etc., so that we can support you.

Finally, we have Matt B's next instalment of his tips and advice for garden design and a photo of his garden at the RHS recent event at Wentworth. Well done Matt, really impressive garden design.

September is upon us, with new colours and fresh mornings. I hope you enjoy the season, crossing everything, for hopefully, an Indian Summer!

All the best

Sue
Editor



The Red Lion

A traditional village pub
in the heart of Yorkshire
Open from 12 Daily

Real ales
Ideal for walkers
Quiz, Pool,
Dog friendly
Community pub
Children's play
area



Functions
catered for
Darts
Free WI-FI
Beer Garden
Friendly service

WHATEVER YOUR REASON TO STOP BY AND SEE US,
WE WILL BE HAPPY TO SEE YOU AND YOU CAN BE
ASSURED WE WILL LOOK AFTER YOU.

The Red Lion, 69 High Street, Silkstone,
Barnsley, South Yorkshire, S75 4JR Tel: 01226 790455



HORSFIELDS NURSERY

Horsfields Nursery
Pot House Hamlet
Silkstone
Barnsley
South Yorkshire
S75 4JU

Beautiful plants in a beautiful place
Open seven days a week

01226 790 441

www.horsfieldsnursery.co.uk

Nabs Wood memorial event 2025

The unveiling of a tribute to Nabs Wood - the preservation and progression of the Wood, and the Memorial of the 1838 Pit Disaster

Nabs Wood Moorend Lane, Silkstone Common is the site of the horrendous pit disaster on 4th July 1838, where 26 children aged 7 to 17 years working in the mine became trapped, and drowned. To mark 150 years since the disaster a plaque and memorial was erected to remember the loss of young lives from Silkstone Parish in 2008. The memorial depicts two children at work underground.



Nabs Wood Memorial

The disaster shocked the nation, including the newly enthroned young Queen Victoria, which led to a bill being put through Parliament - the *Mines Act-Protection for child miners 1842*. This was the beginning of significant changes for children and women working down the mines.

Nabs Wood Woodland Warden Stewart Walton, who lives in Silkstone Common, is passionate about the Wood, and has invested his time and skills in updating and preserving the Wood for, not only present and future generations of the Parish, but also visitors who can learn about the events of 1838, and the significant change in the law of the time.

Stewart, supported by the owners of Nabs Wood *The Woodlands Trust*, and a number of supporters/partners, James Jeelson the Woodlands Trust area ranger, and the Farmer whose field backs onto the Nabs Wood site, have pulled together since August 2024 and made the wood and memorial accessible and safe to visit once more. Steps have been upgraded with handrails, benches refurbished, trees have been felled to open up the canopy, drains have been cleared, the bridge over the stream has been refurbished alongside the memorial and notice board.

Stewart has made signs directing folk to where the 'Day Hole' for the Huskar mine was positioned (used for ventilation and in addition where the children drowned and were removed from at this point). Deer, foxes and badgers are visiting Nabs Wood, as their footprints have been seen in the mud of the stream that runs through the Wood.



Nabs Wood refurbished

Work on the feed to the stream is being carried out due to the amount of debris and rubbish that has accumulated over the years, with help from Barnsley Council.

Stewart informed me that *‘further work is planned for the coming months to make this a place for contemplation and just sit and enjoy, and maybe share a prayer for the children’*.

There has also been a specific donation to *The Woodland Trust* made by an anonymous lady from York, who left a dowry, to improve Nabs Wood.

Stewart informed me that he was contacted by a Nick Smith living in Guernsey, who has written a play about the Pit disaster in Silkstone Common called *‘The Silkstone Scar’*.

Nick and Pippa (daughter) researched the terrible events of the Huskar pit disaster, and they used Kate Rusby’s song, ‘Halt the Wagons’ (from her 2019 album [*Philosophers, Poets & Kings*](#)), as their opening song as well as 5 tunes

written by the musical director Peter Smith.

Stewart and his wife were invited to see the play at the Beau Sejour Theatre in Amherst 7th July 2025. At the end of the performance Nick and his daughter Pippa presented Stewart with a stainless-steel plaque to commemorate the loss of the young lives. The plaque states:

‘Presented on behalf of the children of Music Box in Guernsey to commemorate the 26 children lost in the Huskar Pit disaster July 4th 1838 - June 7th 2025’

The plaque is placed on an oak plinth near to the Day Hole site, and was unveiled at the 28th July event in Nabs Wood by our own Jim Travis (British Empire Medal for services to the community). Nick and Pippa Smith from Guernsey attended the event, and Jane Raistrick from the Silkstone Heritage group attended the event. Jane is a descendent of two of the children who lost their lives in the disaster.

The National Union of Mineworkers also attended on behalf of the miners from Barnsley and brought a banner to the event to represent all miners. As part of their commitment to the Huskar Pit disaster the NUM headquarters have a display to share the story about the 26 children who lost their lives.



Guernsey Plaque

*Jim Travis,
Nick Smith,
Pippa Smith,
Jane Raistrick,
Stewart Walton*

Approximately 50 people attended the event on 28th July 2025, witnessing the unveiling of the plaque, and listening to songs from Kate Rusby 'Halt the Wagons' and Sam Fender 'Remember My Name'.

In conclusion Stewart shared that he not only wanted to raise the profile of Nabs Wood, but also he was doing it for 'the kids' (who lost their lives) and 'to keep the

story passed on through the schools and to our children, and continue to keep this lovely wood and memorial maintained'.

Stewart hopes that the story of the disaster continues to be shared in our local schools, as part of our heritage.

I would like to thank Stewart for his investment and commitment to Nabs Wood, and spending time to share his story, so far.

Have you visited Nabs Wood? Do you know the story of the disaster?

Take a walk, or drive, to visit Nabs Wood, or visit the Heritage Group on Wednesday mornings at All Saints Church and find out more about our history.

**Sue
Editor**

Photos courtesy of Stewart Walton



Reproduced with the kind permission of Dave Coverly



Reflexology

a complementary therapy



Benefits of Reflexology:

- Relieves stress and tension
- Improves blood and nerve supply, helping to unlock nerve impulses
- Helps the body achieve homeostatic balance, improving wellbeing

Contact:

Teresa Owens 01226 391010

Mobile: 07732 233608

Email: teresaowensuk@gmail.com

Reflexology is a complementary therapy

CNHC

Complementary Nursing



Care *starts* at home



Our friendly Care Professionals can assist with:



- | | |
|--|----------------------------|
| ■ Housekeeping | ■ Specialist Dementia Care |
| ■ Medication and health condition management | ■ Live-in Care |
| ■ Companionship | ■ Personal Care |

Call us on 01226 391010

www.homeinstead.co.uk/barnsley

Remembrance Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has already knitted/crocheted for the village poppy appeal. We really appreciate your support. We are very optimistic that we will be able to create some superb displays in both villages in November.

There is still time, so please keep knitting or crocheting. We will start constructing the displays in October, therefore if we could have all contributions by the end of September please.

If you have any to drop off or we are happy to collect, please contact :



For Silkstone Karen Gorman on 07788185502 or kgorman963@btinternet.com and

For Silkstone Common Susan Dunwell on 07973 310925 or susanwareham@talktalk.net

Our nearest NEW Repair Café

A new Repair Café will be starting on a monthly basis from 27th October, and 29th November, 11:00 until 13:00 at St Andrew's Church, High Street, Penistone. Refreshments are available. It is also free!..... donations are gratefully received.

Repair Café's have been set up all over the country to repair items that would usually be thrown away – saving money and helping with the environment!

Items such as:

Metal – watches, clocks, jewellery, clothes etc

Household – plugs, radios, toasters etc

Carpentry – scratches, dents, picture frames etc

Plastic – toys, dolls etc

'Bring on the day, don't throw away...' is the Repair Café's mantra!



The café is run by Volunteers, and they are asking if you can mend or fix textiles or wool items, and would like to join the Repair Café team then contact Carmen (Penistone Area Team) on 07391 860553.

Let us know if you take something to be mended at this New Repair Café.

**Sue
Editor**

WONDERFULLY MADE

In Yorkshire

Craft Fair

Silkstone Parish Church
S75 4JH

Friday 31st October 10am to 7pm
Saturday 1st November 10am to 4pm
Sunday 2nd November 10am to 4pm

Entrance £1

Generating funds for Silkstone Church
Around 40 stalls selling
wonderfully unique handmade gifts



www.facebook.com/Wonderfullymadeinyorkshire



The Wonderfully Made event 2025

Our superb craft fair Wonderfully Made in Yorkshire will be held this year on 31st October from 10am to 7pm and 1st November and 2nd November from 10am to 4pm. Wonderfully Made was first started by the glass designer Rachel Poole following her work on the memorial window depicting the Huskar disaster.

Organisation of the event was taken over by members of the parochial Church Council, known as the PCC (not to be confused with the Parish Council). The current organisers are PCC members and stallholders, and this year the Women's Institute will again be providing the refreshments. Wonderfully Made has to fit around our normal Church services and also Remembrance Sunday, so this year it is slightly early.

It is a difficult balancing act getting the right mix of stalls and making sure that we have some new faces among the old favourites. Our stallholders this year are another varied group, we have jewellery, cards, knitwear, toiletries, bags, honey, photos, pottery, artwork, calligraphy, woodwork and, as always, some beautiful glassware.

We do get more applicants than there are places, and so some applicants have to be turned away. None of us like this part of the process! The money raised is an essential part of the Church fundraising, and if there is anyone who would like to help, or has any other fundraising ideas we would like to hear from you. The Church does not receive any central funding and relies on this sort of event, and donations, to stay open.

Even if you are not familiar with the Church Wonderfully Made is a great opportunity to view the Church interior and to see the Huskar Window. The quirkiness produced by using an old church in this way is one of Wonderfully Made's distinguishing features, and it is of course the ideal event to start your Christmas shopping!

The stall holders are now hard at work making items for the fair and the entry fee has again been kept at £1 (children free). We very much hope that this year's event will be another success and look forward to welcoming you all again.

Jane

wonderfullymadesilkstone@gmail.com

Woodland Driving School

Driving instructor based in Silkstone Common offering affordable lessons throughout the Barnsley area.

Achieve your goal of passing your test and becoming a safe and confident driver.

Contact David on 07983 815226 or go to

www.woodlanddrivingschool.com

david@woodlanddrivingschool.com

www.facebook.com/woodlanddrivingschool/



Woodland Driving School – proud to be supporting Barnsley Hospice since 2021

SILKSTONE PHARMACY

3 High Street, Silkstone, Barnsley, S75 4JH

(Just opposite the church)



Opening times

*Mon- Fri- 8.30 am to *5.30 pm, Open until 6.00pm Wednesday*

FREE PRESCRIPTION COLLECTION AND DELIVERY SERVICE

* We contact your GP for you to order and pick up your prescriptions

* **FREE** Medication check-ups: discuss your medication with the pharmacist and get tips on how to get the most out of your medicines.

* **FREE** Prescription ordering and collection service from Penistone group practice, Barugh Green, Dodworth and any other local surgery.

* We look after your repeat slip *FREE Blood Pressure check.

* **CHEAP** private prescriptions. *FREE Travel advice.

We work with your doctors to provide the best possible health care.

Call: 01226 791838 or Fax: 01226 791008

Silkstone War Memorial

Fund raising began in 1919 to provide Silkstone with its memorial to honour the fallen of the Great War, and it was unveiled on 8th Oct 1922 at a ceremony attended by military officers, ex-servicemen, religious figures, the village band and hundreds more who attended to pay their respects.

A number of fundraising events including garden parties, teas and socials, whist drives and concerts, house to house collections and donations from local businesses and dignitaries had raised the necessary funds.

The total cost of providing the memorial was £396 15s 3d which included £347 16s to local contractor Albert Edward Gelder to supply and erect the memorial. There was a deficit of about £30 which was paid into the funds by JE Cowcill.

The memorial was situated on the corner of the churchyard, and built into the old church walls opposite the road to Cawthorne.

the small number of vehicles in the early days, would wait until the service was finished. Apart from regular cleaning and the letters being re-done in 1950, the war memorial remained untouched. However, in the late 1960s the tight bend at the top of Church Hill was becoming a problem as traffic increased, particularly after the motorway was built, and the memorial stones were damaged more than once by large lorries trying to navigate the tight bend.



For almost 50 years Armistice Day would be commemorated on the roadside, and

In 1968 a decision was made to re-site the memorial to prevent further damage. This coincided with a scheme

to improve the road layout which would have meant moving it anyway. After considering a location on the grass in front of the bungalows opposite the Ring 'O Bells, a site in Martin Croft was chosen and the memorial was moved in January 1972 and re-dedicated in a ceremony held on 3rd Sept 1972. The cost of moving the memorial, paid for Barnsley Council was around £2,000. Local artist Ashley Jackson designed the programme cover for the ceremony.

The move and the re-dedication service was organised by the Royal British Legion with help from its newly formed women's section. Roses, donated by Horsfield's Nursery were planted on both sides of the memorial.



If the Parish Council thought that moving the memorial would prevent further damage, they were sadly wrong. In December 1977 the cross was damaged again and the devastation was far worse than that caused by lorries knocking the plinths. This time children using the cross for a rope swing caused the cross to collapse and break into pieces. Serious concerns were raised as to whether it could be repaired.



Thanks to the Royal British Legion, the cross was repaired, but it had to be shortened from 11 feet to 8 feet



This November, despite its knocks and damage it has survived, and Silkstone War Memorial will be the centre of the Armistice Day parade and service for the 104th year

For more detailed information on this and previous newsletter articles email rogginshistorygroup@gmail.com

Andy Horsfield
Heritage Silkstone / Roggins Local History Group

The Chilli Lodge ★

We're Open on Christmas Day – Taking Bookings Now! 🎅

Join us for a festive dining experience filled with delicious food and a warm atmosphere. Book early to secure your table!

Festive & Ongoing Offers:

- ✨ Sunday Buffet – £17.90 (Children under 10: £9)
- 🐦 Early Bird Offer – £17.90 (cash only)
- 🎄 10% OFF on collection orders over £20

Reserve your table today and make this Christmas truly special!

The Chilli Lodge
 Silkstone Common, S75 4RD
 Tel: 01226792300
www.theChilliLodge.co.uk

SILKSTONE COMMON TEAROOM

Tea, coffee, hot chocolate, homemade bakes & cakes, come and catch up with friends of the community ☺

Fortnightly
 Everyone welcome 🍪
 12.00-12.00

Dates are:

September 4th, 18th
 October 2nd, 16th, 30th
 November 13th, 27th
 December 11th

Recipe of the Season - Tiffin

Ingredients

- 8oz Digestive Biscuits
- 8oz Chocolate
- 2 tbsp Golden Syrup
- 8 oz Margarine/Butter
- 2 oz Raisins
- 2oz Chopped Cherries
- 1oz Chopped Nuts (optional)



Method

1. Put biscuits in a plastic bag and crush with a rolling pin. Put biscuit crumbs in a bowl
2. Add cherries, raisins (and nuts if used) and mix up
3. Break chocolate into a heat proof bowl. Add syrup and margarine/ butter. Put over a pan of simmering water and stir until melted. Then pour it onto the biscuit crumb mixture
4. Press into a swiss roll tin (or any other flat shallow tin), smooth with the back of a spoon and put in fridge until set.

Alison Marsh



Alisha Faith Interiors Ltd

INTERIOR DESIGN | MADE IN YORKSHIRE | DESIGNER BRANDS

BESPOKE CURTAINS & BLINDS | DESIGNER FABRICS, WALL PAPERS AND PAPERIE
DESIGN | MANUFACTURE | INSTALL | DESIGNS, FURNITURE & RE-UPHOLSTERY SERVICE
HOME ACCESSORIES, BEATS, LIGHTING & ARTWORK



HEAD OFFICE & DESIGN STUDIO

The Bungalow, Delfield, Barwick, Rensley, YO20 9PH • enquiries@alishafaithinteriors.co.uk
t: 01226 416493 | www.alishafaithinteriors.co.uk | enquiries@alishafaithinteriors.co.uk

Dead Hedges

Dead Hedges are important for people, wildlife and the environment

You may recall that CARE has developed a biodiversity action plan, one of the actions is to build Dead Hedges in our woodland areas - you may have seen them in Conroyd Wood and Orchard Wood?

We have erected these to help preserve ground flora from being eroded by footfall. They also provide an additional wildlife corridor for lots of species. At least 20% of all woodland species rely on deadwood as part of their wildlife cycle.



Dead hedges provide hiding places, shelter and habitats for all sorts of creatures. As it rots down, the nutrients are recycled back into the earth below, meaning the “waste” needn’t go into bins or bonfires.

They create a habitat for insects and beetles as well as a rich feeding ground for small mammals such as hedgehogs and birds.

Susan Dunwell
CARE

Insect of the Season - Hawthorn Shieldbug

Over the next few weeks many insect species will be starting to prepare for the challenges of winter. The adults of some species die off in late summer or autumn, having laid eggs in a suitable habitat to ensure a new generation next spring.

It’s a good time to spot the red and green Hawthorn Shieldbug (*Acanthosoma haemorrhoidale*). This is our largest shieldbug, It can be seen in gardens,

parks and woodlands, feeding on hawthorn, rowan and whitebeam.



Linda Marsh

Addergram Puzzle Date : 03-Aug-25

Clues Answers[illegible]

How to play Addergrams ...

Each word is an anagram of the previous word plus one extra letter.

Use the clues together with the letters from the previous and next answers to solve each word.

Fresh puzzles available every day at : addergrams.com

There is no software to download or install, you don't need an account, no adverts are shown and no personal data is collected or stored.

Addagrams is a fun daily word puzzle created by a retired Sillicone resident.

play Addergrams online and your result can be shared on social media if you wish.

Addergrams copyright is owned by Mick Jennings, 2023. This puzzle is published with permission.

[Feedback and comments to ...](#)

Info@addergams.com

© 2023, Mick Jennings - Play more games online at ...

addprograms.com

Silkstone Parish Walks

Silkstone to Banks Hall





This map is reproduced from the 1999 edition of the Ordnance Survey map of the County of the Republic of Ireland. The Ordnance Survey map is reproduced with the permission of the Ordnance Survey. The Ordnance Survey map is reproduced with the permission of the Ordnance Survey. The Ordnance Survey map is reproduced with the permission of the Ordnance Survey.



Walk Description

- A. The walk starts and finishes at Silkstone Church. From the church take the road towards Cawthorne and immediately turn left onto Bull Haw Lane. After 50 metres walk straight ahead up the farm track, continue for 200 metres then turn right.
- B. At the end go over the stile on the left. Keep left for 100 metres then bear right across the field to Banks Bottom Dyke.
- C. Go over a stile and footbridge and follow the footpath to the next stile. Turn right to the top of the field then turn left immediately before the next stile. Walk along the south side of Banks Hall and follow the footpath to South Lane
- D. Turn left and after a few hundred metres take the footpath on the left. Turn right along the track for 20 metres then go over the stile on the left down the field side to a footbridge again across Banks Bottom Dyke.
- E. Follow the footpath up through the wood and turn right onto Whin Moor Lane. Take the footpath right along Green Lane, then left at Cooper Lane and left again at next footpath back to Whin Moor Lane. This route is included so that you go through an excellent original wild meadow area.
- F. Continue straight across the lane on the footpath which rises to a tree line and then drops down to another lane which leads to Bull Haw Farm from the A628 Penistone Road.
- G. Go straight across the lane to a stone stile and turn right. At the bend turn right through the wood, eventually bearing left to the stile in the field corner and continue keeping the wood close on your left and fenced field on the right.
- H. Go on past the houses on the right, over a footbridge, bearing right onto High Street in Silkstone. Turn left back to Silkstone Church.

General Information

Approx 2 1/4 miles. Some sections can have wet, muddy or uneven ground and weather conditions can vary. Choose appropriate footwear and clothing.

Travel

For bus and train times telephone Travel South Yorkshire on their Traveline number 0800 952 0002 open 7am to 7pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 7pm Saturday and Sunday Or use their website <https://www.travelsouthyorkshire.com/>

Acknowledgements

H.Saville and R. Lemmon for the original route text

Additional Information

- A The houses on the left of Bull Haw Lane, called Pack Horse Green, are built on the site of Pack Horse Farm which some older inhabitants of Silkstone still remember. As the name suggests, it was a staging post for the pack horses carrying salt from Cheshire a couple of centuries ago.
- B Just before reaching Banks Bottom Dyke there used to be an old railway track which took coal from Bank Bottom mine to join the track from Silkstone. The main track then continued down to Cawthorne Basin where there was a loading wharf for the canal system.
- A couple of Herons are sometimes to be seen feeding in the dike. Herons are usually found on large lakes or wetland areas but sometimes visit streams and dikes, particularly in the winter during harsh weather when lakes are frozen.
- C Banks Hall was within the Cannon Hall estate which belonged to the Spencer-Stanhope family and was last occupied by Mrs Spencer-Stanhope. It was known as a Dower House, which is a term used for a residence occupied by a widow of the estate. In later years it has been used as a Hostel and home for the elderly.
- G Looking right from this part of the route is Noblethorpe Hall which was once owned by the Clark family who owned many of the mines around Silkstone.

The field, as you approach the houses, was formerly known as Turner's field and was the venue of the Silkstone Feast Celebrations. A stage was erected, and in addition to the church choir there would be a band and other entertainments.

Further Information

If you have any comments on this walk, encounter any difficulties en route, or would like information on other walks in the Barnsley area including, Trans Pennine Trail then please contact The Rights of Way Team via the BMBC website. The email form is [here](#)

Notes from CARE

You can pull out the walk from the centre pages or if you prefer, use a digital version on your phone. If you want the digital version, you can find it at <https://www.komoot.com/tour/1824170975>. The full list of walks is at <https://www.komoot.com/user/silkstoneparishwalks/tours> where we are a partner with Komoot.

If you use Komoot, they include a free map of the larger local area when you sign up to a free account.

Please follow Silkstone Parish Walks on Komoot, it helps by giving an idea of how much the Komoot app is being used. Any comments/ feedback, email us at silkstoneparishwalks@gmail.com

Enjoy - Steve Jones



Sorella Travel
Independent Travel Agents

Based in Silkstone Common

How we can help...
Looking for your next getaway?
Whether that be a cruise, package holiday, honeymoon, wedding abroad, villa, theatre break, multi centre holiday, sporting events or activities and excursions, we are here to help!

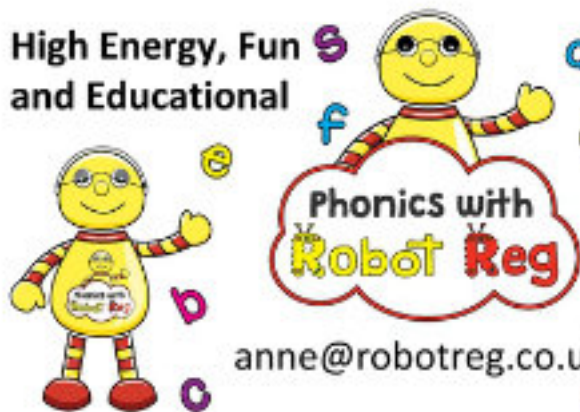
Contact us for your FREE quote.

 [sorellatravel](https://www.facebook.com/sorellatravel)  [sorella_travel](https://www.instagram.com/sorella_travel)

Contact Us: sales@sorellatravel.co.uk



**High Energy, Fun
and Educational**



**South
Yorkshire
West**

For ages 1-5



facebook.com/SoundsRightPhonicsSouthYorkshireWest

www.robotreg.co.uk

Barnsley College - Open Days

Barnsley College is opening its doors for two fantastic Part-time Open Days on Friday 21 and Saturday 22 November, 5.00pm – 8.30pm.

Explore flexible study options that fit around your life. Whether you're looking to gain new qualifications, retrain or develop a hobby into a skill, our part-time courses can help you achieve your goals.

Visitors can tour our outstanding facilities, meet expert tutors and get personalised advice on choosing the right course.

Andrew Cotton-Bailey who came back to College to study Level 2 Functional Skills English and Maths commented:

"Of what my expectations of education were, all I can think now is, I should have done it a lot earlier! The tutors have been amazing with the support that they've given. In fact, when I finished my English course it was like a bit of a loss to me, I enjoyed going so much."

Find out more at: www.barnsley.ac.uk/events



**SILKSTONE
PRE-SCHOOL**

OPEN FOR NEW PLACES

Our team consists of highly experienced and dedicated professionals who are passionate about delivering exceptional early years care

We offer a wide range of innovative and engaging activities, customised to suit each child's age and developmental stage.

WHY CHOOSE US

- Ages 2-4 years
- Open 7:30-16:30
- Small & Friendly Team
- Homely Childcare

www.silkstonepreschool.co.uk
01226 792294 High Street, Silkstone, S75 4LR



HOLIDAY CLUB

AGES 3-8

ACTIVITIES
ARTS & CRAFTS
GAMES
OUTDOOR
BAKING
AND ROLE PLAY

OPEN EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
FROM 9:30AM-4PM

www.silkstonepreschool.co.uk
01226 792294 High Street, Silkstone, S75 4LR



Beauty By Sarah

Fully Qualified Beauty and Holistic Therapist

Nail technician - Reflexologist - Pedicures - Manicures
Hot Stones Massage - Eyebrow Waxing - Advanced brows
Lash Tinting - Make Up Artist - Indian Head Massage
Facials and much more

Please call or text 07961 684 393 for appointments or more information

Based in Silkstone Common
YOUNIQUE REPRESENTATIVE | Collagen - Makeup - Skincare

Be a Saint for All Saints'

Dear Friends

The last time I wrote an article for the magazine I informed you about the repairs and alterations needed to the church building. These repairs will cost in excess of £60,000. One of the important issues facing us is the need to make provision for an extra fire exit. This will mean reopening a long blocked up door on the north side of the church. Well over a century ago health and safety rules were largely unknown. The challenge is to make the church a safe space for our visitors to worship services, weddings, baptisms and funerals. We also have to consider the very many who come to concerts and events such as the annual craft fair, Wonderfully Made in Yorkshire.

As you can imagine the high point of the church, the tower, is subject to the year round wear and tear caused by exposure to the elements. The need goes largely unnoticed to the naked eye, but work needs to be done to secure the pinnacles and the crown of the tower for future generations. What would Silkstone Parish be without the sight of the church tower flying the flag and lit up during the Christmas season as you turn the corner at the top of Cone Lane? We need to ensure its survival for present and future generations.

One of the areas which needs attention is the beautiful sanctuary floor laid out with Victorian encaustic tiles. These are in urgent need of repair and restoration



which will secure them for another one hundred and fifty years and more.

So, I suppose I should just cut the chase in true Yorkshire style and ask you for your support. It's no good 'beating around the bush'. So here is the big ask from the Vicar – we urgently need your financial help. We will, of course, apply to any grant funding bodies and charities which may be able to help but the maintenance and repair of parish churches falls largely upon the congregations and communities in which they are set. If I had a pound for every time someone has pointed out that the Church of England is one of the richest institutions in the world, I would be able to pay for the repairs outright, but it doesn't quite work that way.

So, we are launching our appeal called, **'Be a Saint for All Saints'** and kindly ask for your financial help to secure the church building for the years to come.

On our Facebook page we will be launching a Justgiving event, so please look out for that. We also have a scheme where you can sponsor a church tower pinnacle or a set of Sanctuary tiles. Each sponsor receives a signed certificate from the Vicar, the perfect gift for a loved one who has everything...and don't forget, Christmas is coming!

Here are ways to find out more or to make a donation:

- Visit All Saints Church on Wednesdays between 10am and 1pm to see the display of work needed and ways to sponsor part of the work.

- Make an online donation through our Facebook *Justgiving* page.
- Email me on beneficewestbarnsley@hotmail.com

So, there we have it, I have got my begging bowl out and I am unable to make any apologies for it. I'm sure you will be generous in your response both in words and donations as we work together to ensure the church is here long after I have gone into history! (It's being so cheerful that keeps me going).

With my prayerful best wishes

Your Vicar,

Canon Keith.

Silkstone Common Methodist Chapel A Different Future?

As most people know by now, the Methodist Church have ceased worship at the Chapel and are undecided about what will happen to the building. The Parish Council were willing to take over the building but the Methodist Circuit would prefer to see it as a community run hub for the village. If that doesn't happen they will sell it to the highest bidder. The building is now designated a Community Asset and the people of the village would have six months to raise the money to match any offer received by the Church. That doesn't mean the Church would have to sell it to any community group we might form but it at least gives us a chance.

There have been a couple of meetings to discuss the future use of the building and more are planned. Please make every effort to attend these meetings because your input is vital to achieving a successful future for this important community asset.

Derek Liddell
Parish Councillor

NB There was another meeting to garner support at the Chapel on 1st Sept. There will probably be more. To find out more email info@silkstonecommoncommunity.uk

Addergram Solution : 03-Aug-25

Clues Answers

Element with symbol Sn in periodic table (3)

A prong or sharp point (4)

Large cup with a handle for drinking beer (5)

To give one's attention to a sound (6)

Wishes of good health from Irish friends (7)

Health Issues (8)

Tracks for streetcars (9)

One who studies natural inorganic solids (10)

Relating to members of government (11)

[illegible]

Fresh puzzles available every day at : addergrams.com

There is no software to download or install, you don't need an account, no adverts are shown and no personal data is collected or stored.

Addergrams is a fun daily word puzzle created by a retired Silkstone resident.

Play Addergrams online and your result can be shared on social media if you wish.

[Feedback and comments to ...](#)

info@addressgrams.com

© 2023, Mick Jennings - Play more games online at ...

addergrams.com

The Station Inn



Open all day Tuesday to Saturday
Sunday & Monday 12-8 pm

Fish & Chips Thursdays & Fridays
Traditional lunch on Sundays
(booking advisable)

Pensioners Luncheon Club Mondays 12-2
(new members welcome)

Private parties catered for
Buffets and hot meals

Walking and Cycling groups welcome
Dogs welcome

Mark and Julie invite you to enjoy
good food & drink in your
comfortable local

Tel: 01226 790248/07952 514219

2 Amazing Location 2 Fantastic Holiday Cottages for rent
Ideal for Families, Dog Friendly



The Cottage



The Old Post Office



Silkstone, South Yorkshire
Sleeps 2-4 | 3 bedrooms | Village Location
www.thecottagesilkstone.co.uk
Email: liz@thecottagesilkstone.co.uk

Bull Bay, Anglesey
Sleeps 4-6 | 3 bedrooms | Views across the sea
www.bullbaycottage.co.uk
liz@theoldpostofficebullbay.co.uk

Contact details for Ward councillors and MP

Ward Councillors

Robert Barnard:

cllrrobertbarnard@barnsley.gov.uk

Telephone: 01226 770770 (BMBC) or
01226 382861 (Home) or 07811 430948
(mobile)

Dr Alex Burnett:

cllralexburnett@barnsley.gov.uk

Telephone: 01226 770770 (BMBC) or
01226 772560 (work)

John Roberts

Email: cllrjohnroberts@barnsley.gov.uk

Telephone: 01226 770770 (BMBC) 01226
774486 (work)

The postal address for all three is the office
address: Barnsley MBC, P O Box 634,
BARNSELEY S70 9GG

MP

MP Dr Marie Tidball

marie.tidball.mp@parliament.uk

<https://www.marietidball.com/>

Magazine deadlines and dates

Articles, events and adverts

If you:

- have a news item for the next issue
- want to update details for your organisation,
- advertise or amend an existing advert

please email Sue on sue@8highstreet.co.uk

The deadline for the next magazine is
Monday 27th October 2025.

Our usual deadlines and distribution

Deadline for articles Distribution dates

Last week of February	Last week in March
Last week of May	Last week in June
Last week of August	Last week in September
Last week of October	Last week in November

dates are below:

Views expressed in in this magazine are
those of the Contributors and not
necessarily the views of the Parish
Council.

Parish Council website and Facebook page

www.silkstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk

<https://www.facebook.com/SilkstoneParishCouncil>

If you are a local society or business you can ask to be listed and described on the website with a link to your own website if you have one. You can find all publicly available documents on the website. If you do not have internet access and would like to view anything from our paper files please contact the Parish Clerk. The Parish Clerk is also the contact for the Facebook page

Parish Councillors

Chair of the Council - Meryl Liddell

Silkstone Common Tel: 790509

meryl.liddell@btinternet.com

Richard Leech (Vice Chair)

Silkstone Tel: 01226 791679

cllrleech@silkstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk

Debra Smith

Silkstone Common Tel: 07443-221784

dssilsktone@gmail.com

Derek Liddell

Silkstone Common Tel: 01226 790509

derek.liddell@btinternet.com

Janice Wake

Silkstone Tel: 07540 957639

janicewake@btinternet.com

Jim Logan

Silkstone Tel: 07952 346446

stephenjameslogan@yahoo.com

Peter Millar

Silkstone Common Tel: 07970118679

pmsilkstone@gmail.com

Contact the Clerk

Silkstone Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer

Mr Richard Bell

8 The Meadows

Silkstone Common

S75 4SG

Tel : 07947545504

Email: silkstoneparishcouncil@gmail.com

Parish Council Meeting dates for Jan 2025 - Apr 2025

PC meetings are advertised in both village notice boards and on the website. They are held on the first Monday in the month in Silkstone Sports Pavilion unless stated otherwise.

Dates for the next three months are:

6th Oct

3rd Nov

1st Dec

Would You like to Be a Parish Councillor and Help to Make the Parish Of Silkstone a Better Place to Live?

There are currently 2 councillor vacancies on Silkstone Parish Council.

We are looking for individuals with energy and passion, who want to make a positive difference and give back to their local community.

The work of a councillor can be extremely rewarding. If you are interested in becoming a parish councillor, please write to or email the parish council and include details of why you would like to

apply, together with the skills and experience that you feel you would bring to the role.

If you wish to apply, require any further information about qualification for being a councillor, or just want more information about the role, please contact Richard Bell, Clerk to the Council, on silkstoneparishcouncil@gmail.com

Maria Penrose
DANCE Studios



BALLET

TAP

MODERN JAZZ

THEATRE CRAFT

MELODY BEAR

MINI MOVERS

STREET

MUSICAL THEATRE

CONTEMPORARY

IRISH

GYMNASTICS

ADULT CLASSES

COMPETITIONS

SHOWS

Summer Dance Camp

EXAMINATIONS

drama

Private tuition

singing

Swing time tappers 50+ years.



MPDS

Principle: Maria Penrose – Est: 1994 in Silkstone

Tel: 07966 445679 Email: maria@mariapenrose.co.uk

Fully Qualified in Nails Brows Lashlift Facials



Mel's Gels
& Beauty

In The Beauty
Shed

Based in Silkstone Common



Tel. 07817334162

 **mels_gels123**

 **@melsgelsbeauty**



TEMPLESPA
Consultant

www.templespa.com/melbeever

Gardening with Matt B

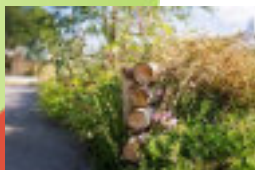
Continuing our series on garden design, having now gathered our ideas and initial sketches, we look at the first stage of translating this into the garden.

We start by assessing; Shade, Moisture, Light, Wind, these factors guide our horticulture and overall design. Firstly, we must observe and note the garden, ideally for a period of time, to consider some main influencing factors;

Light – Light is fundamental to plants and design. Initially we're talking about full sun and full shade. Translating this into your design might mean the difference between placing a seating area in a lovely sunny place or a shady corner (both equally valid!). Light levels, of course, greatly affect plants too and will drive our plant choice later.

Once you know your light we can consider this in the design e.g. timing. If you only use the garden in the evening, placing a seating spot in the last evening light is a great option. Alternatively, there are varying degrees of light which can be used as opportunities e.g. placing a tree which likes full sun, creates shade to underplant with shade preferent species.

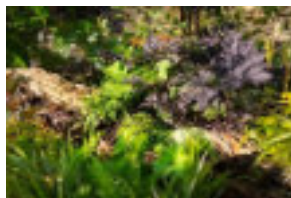
First observe the light in your garden and we can then use this information to develop and inform the design.



Soil, Moisture & Topography – Soil & Moisture are critical to design, though perhaps more of planting design if you are comfortable installing drainage. Plants, as anything living, need water, and identifying areas of your garden which are more moisture retentive can assist in plant choice. Moisture is linked to soil type, topography and light, e.g. a damp shady corner. However, this is not always the case and you can enhance or work with your space to develop moisture microclimates.

It is always a good idea to work with your garden in reference to moisture, as it is often hard to change fundamentally. You can work with your existing ground level and soil type, creating areas of damper and drier ground.

Create a small map of your garden, noting damper areas, raised areas and also assess the soil across the garden, noting any changes.



Wind & Temperature – Wind is a big consideration in design. A patio sitting in a wind tunnel isn't much fun, though very still areas can also be detrimental. Understanding how wind moves through your garden is fundamental to placing your 'mass'.

Wind also affects temperature and can quickly chill plants well below their tolerable range, or can cause early flowerers to quickly lose their colour.

Observe how wind moves through your garden, and we can develop this into the design to create comfortable spaces.

Autumn is a great season for observation as we often have both settled and changeable conditions through the months, plus (in my opinion), some of the best light of the year. So perhaps pop a notebook on a window and spend a few moments each week observing and understanding your garden. Then we can look at those ‘masses and voids’ combined with your ‘site assessment’ to develop the features of your garden.

For more information on assessing and working with your prevailing conditions, why not take a look at our recent RHS Wentworth Feature Garden, which was aimed at understanding and then working with your space, rather than fighting against it.

Matt

<https://www.bigginshillstudio.co.uk/rhs-wentworth-work-with-your-garden>



Scam Protection

Nobody is immune from fraud. Criminals target people online and in their homes, often emotionally manipulating their victims before they steal money or personal data.

Fraud accounts for almost 41% of all crime. In just one year, 1 in 16 adults in England and Wales were victims of fraud. That's nearly 3 million of us. 1 in 5 businesses were also a victim of fraud over a 3 year period. ^

Make yourself more aware of how to spot fraud on this website

<https://stopthinkfraud.campaign.gov.uk/are-you-at-risk/>

If you or someone you are with is being pressured to reveal financial or personal information - STOP talking to them! Take a break. A genuine organisation will not put pressure on you.

Consider signing up to “[Ask Silver](#)” a free and fast scam checker. It's easy to submit scams for analysis. Simply snap a photo or screenshot of any email, website, or leaflet you're worried about and send it to Silver on WhatsApp. Silver uses the power of AI to spot any red flags and provides suggestions for next steps on staying safe.

Linda Marsh



Premier Foot Care

For the Professional Treatment of

Ingrowing Toe Nails	Athletes Foot
Callus	Diabetic Foot Care
Cracked Heels	Fungal Infection
Nail Trimming	Corns

Treatment in the Comfort
of Your Own Home!

Contact Emma
 Tel: 07868 292460
 Email: emmaclarkson@outlook.com

Emma Clarkson, NCTM, NCTA, NCTP
Fully insured

AromaHoliday "World of Scents"

Capturing the spirit of the World's best holiday destinations through scent.

Discover gorgeous Candles, Diffusers, Wax Melts, Washes, Lotions, and unique Gifts?

Store Now Open:

AromaHoliday
 Pot House Hamlet, Silkstone,
 S75 4JU.

Handmade in Yorkshire!

Mark Jordan (Founder)
 AromaHoliday

T: +44 (0) 7882610705 E: sales@aromaholiday.com
<https://www.aromaholiday.com/>



Huskar Community Rooms

What's on this Autumn

Monday – Thursday & Saturday: Maria Penrose Dance Studio

Monday – Wednesday: Scouts, Cubs & Beavers

Thursday: Brownies

Monday: Pilates & Yoga

Tuesday: Pre-School Football & Parish Warm Welcome

Friday: Robot Reg & Silkstone Swiftlets Netball

Sunday: Dodworth Rugby Under & Training

Also available for parties, scan the QR code to book.



The Huskar Rooms opened in 2015. Help us celebrate our 10th birthday. Live in the Parish – Get a 10% discount on parties booked between 1st September and 30th November. Quote Autumn10 when booking.

Looking for the Perfect Local Venue? - Silkstone Common Methodist Church Hall Room is available for hire!

Whether you're hosting a coffee morning, running a craft or exercise group, planning a family gathering, or organising a seasonal celebration — our lovely village church has a room that could be just the space you need.

-  A welcoming, medium-sized room
-  Adjoined kitchen for refreshments
-  Ideal for community get-togethers, learning, sharing and support



 A space where people of all ages already come together to connect, reflect and grow.

Let's bring more life into this wonderful community building — your group or event could be the next to make use of it!

Booking enquiries: Call Elvin Athey on 01226 791 999 Or email:

info@silkstonecommoncommunity.uk

Local Organisations

General

Silkstone Common Good Companions

Provides companionship, entertainment and recreation for people aged 55+ who live locally. Meets fortnightly on Wednesdays 2-4pm in the Methodist Church Hall. New members are very welcome. Varied programme including speakers, trips and entertainers. Younger helpers urgently required. Annual subscription £20. For more information contact Bev Almond on 07502303470 or email bjalmond@hotmail.co.uk

Silkstone Luncheon Club for the over 60s

Meets every Monday at 12 o'clock in the The Station Inn, Silkstone Common. New members always welcome. Please call Stuart Moody Chairman 01226 49683 Or Stuart Jubb Secretary & Treasurer 01226 790704

Stainborough Rotary are the local Rotary covering the Parish.

We meet every Thursday at The Fairway Hotel, Dodworth at 7.30 pm. For details contact the Club Secretary , Ian Whittle 01484 3153386 or stainboroughrotary@gmail.com

Neighbourhood Watch

Janice Wake, Neighbourhood Watch Area Coordinator
janicewake@btinternet.com
07540957639

New Swaine WI

Meet on 3rd Thursday of each month at 7.15pm in Hoylandswaine Village Hall and at additional times throughout the month. Contact:

Newswainewi@outlook.com

Silkstone - St Florent Twinning Organisation

Contact Elizabeth Waterlow
email liz.waterlow@hotmail.co.uk
tel 07986264481

Tuesday Group

We meet in the Methodist Chapel, Ben Bank Road, Silkstone Common, every week on Tuesday 2 o'clock - 4.

Some of us enjoy doing crafts, such as sewing & knitting but others love to come for a cuppa ,cake and a good old natter.

Everyone is welcome.

Please just turn up or you can contact Mary (07942894029) for more information.

Silkstone/Silkstone Common Village News and Community Group

Facebook community group for locals

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/860075201163623>

Rooms for Hire

Huskar Community Rooms

Purpose built Community Centre with two large rooms (each is 99 sq. metres), reception area, and fully equipped kitchen.

To book please visit <https://hallbookingonline.com/huskar/> or email huskarrooms@outlook.com.
Or use this QR code



Methodist chapel Church Hall

A welcoming, medium-sized room. adjoining kitchen for refreshments

Booking enquiries: Call Elvin Athey on 01226 791 999 Or email: info@silkstonecommoncommunity.uk

Local Organisations

Sports/Activities

Silkstone United FC

DJ Walker 07730 039599

Yorkshire Regional Talent Centre

Under 6's – U 16's Contact Steve Fletcher
07990 805694

Silkstone United Cricket Club

Contacts:

Junior Coordinator – Lee Willford 07931
298213 - lee.willford@gmail.com

SUCC Senior / Main Contact – Kevin Taylor
07462 877416

kevin.taylor@plascompo.com

Website : www.silkstoneutd.play-cricket.com

Facebook : [Silkstone UTD C.C.](#)

Twitter : @SilkstoneCC

Silkstone Common Sports & Recreation Association

Secretary - Michael Winder
Tel - 07719392775

snappylad@outlook.com

Rising Sun Martial Arts

Karate / Kickboxing Thursday
6:00pm - 7:00pm (Children & Adults)

Silkstone Common Methodist Church
Hall, Ben Bank Road, S75 4PA

Chief Instructor: Master M.T. Middleton
Tel: 07904 700786

Web: www.risingsunmartialarts.co.uk

Barnsley BSAC Divers

Meets every Tuesday 7:30 onwards in the
Boardroom at the Metrodome.

Contact: Dave on 07783 291955 or visit
the website

www.barnsleybsacddivers.co.uk

Pilates, Power Pilates and Yoga

Silkstone Common Methodist Church

Tuesdays

Pilates 5.20-6.20 pm & 6.25-7.25 pm

Yoga Flow 7.30-8.30 pm

Thursdays

Power Pilates 7.15-8.15 pm

Contact (to book) Tracy (Fitness for all)
07398 238691

Music

Old Silkstone Band

Rehearsals - Silkstone Common
Methodist Church. Sunday 7pm - 9pm,
Wednesday 8pm - 10pm

Contact - Secretary Danni Brookes 07540
240703

Email oldsilkstoneband@outlook.com

Web site www.oldsilkstoneband.com

Facebook [Old Silkstone Band](#)

X (Twitter) @OldSilkstone

Instagram [old_silkstone_band](#)

TikTok [@oldsilkstoneband](#)

Millhouse Green Male Voice Choir.

Practice night is Mondays in Millhouse
Green Institute at 7.30. Secretary:
Richard Craven 07895 555113

Email: mgmvc@hotmail.co.uk

Web site www.mgmvc.co.uk

Silkstone Bell Ringers

We welcome visiting bands and can
arrange ringing for weddings and other
special occasions. Would you be
interested in learning to ring or are you
experienced and willing to help

Contact: Mrs J Jennings 01226790080
juliajennings27@gmail.com

Local Organisations

Children

Silkstone Pre-School Playgroup Ltd

Ofsted registered offering Full Day Care, Sessional Care, Wrap around Care for children up to 11 years. Open Mon-Fri 7.30am to 4:30 pm

Email silkstonepreschoolpg@gmail.com

Shining Stars Out of School Club

We cater for children aged 4 – 11 years and provide high quality, affordable, reliable and accessible childcare from 7.30am to 9am and from 3.30pm to 6pm during term time.

Contact: email at shiningstars@silkstoneprimary.com

phone on 07591630348

Shake Rattle and Roll Children's Music Group

From babies up to pre-school children are welcome at our friendly group. Please also bring along mum, dad or carer to join in an hour of engaging musical fun, action and rhyme. We meet every Friday during term time at 10am in Silkstone Common Methodist Church. Refreshments for adults and children are provided. Attend just when you like. No booking or commitments.

Find out more <http://www.facebook.com/srrmusicgroup>

Contact: srrmusicgroup@gmail.com
Tracy 07905 421015

9th Barnsley (Silkstone) Scout Group: Huskar Community Rooms

Monday Scouts 19:00 - 20:30
Aged 10 - 14

Tuesday Cubs 18:30 - 19:30
Aged 8 - 10

Wednesday Beavers 18:30 - 19:30
Aged 6 - 8

All queries and membership to the Group Scout Leader rob.flewitt@barnsleyscouts.org.uk

Childminders

For details of registered childminders please ring Families Information Service on: 0800 034 5340.

Schools

Silkstone Common Junior & Infant School

Moorend Lane, Silkstone Common. Educates children 4-11 yrs. The school is interested in developing the use of the school outside normal school hours.

Contact: Mr Simon Tabbner 790471

Visit <http://www.silkstonecommonji.co.uk/>

Silkstone Primary School

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

Contact: Ms Sally Adams 790333

Visit <http://silkstoneprimary.com/>

Local Organisations

Environment & Local History

Silkstone CARE Group

Caring for and improving our natural environment by planting hedges, trees, shrubs and bulbs, clearing paths, litter-picking plus other activities. Tools available on free loan for environmental projects.

Contact:

Susan Dunwell 07973 310925

susanwareham@talktalk.net

Karen Gorman 07788 185502

kgorman963@btinternet.com

Linda Marsh 07792321829

lmxx.13@gmail.com

Roggins Local History Group (Silkstone)

We collect, preserve and share photographs, stories and memories of Silkstone, Silkstone Common and the surrounding areas

Contact: Andy Horsfield

email rogginshistorygroup@gmail.com

01226 791929

Heritage Silkstone

Local and family history on your doorstep. We meet in Silkstone church every Wednesday between 10am to 2pm. AND Cutler Cafe on the last Saturday of every month between 10 am to 12 noon.

Website address

www.heritagesilkstone.co.uk .

Facebook page [Heritage Silkstone](#).

Contact:

Jane Raistrick, secretary, 01484 868254

Churches - The Benefice of West Barnsley

All Saints' and St James the Greater Silkstone with Stainborough 9.15 am 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month. Messy Church 4th Sunday in the month 4-6pm.

St John the Evangelist, Hoylandswaine 11.00am 2nd and 4th Sundays

St John the Baptist, Dodworth 9.15am 1st and 3rd Sundays. Holy Communion Service every Thursday 9.30am followed by a Coffee Morning

All Saints' Cawthorne 11.00am 1st and 3rd Sunday. Last Tuesday in the month 10.00am Holy Communion service

Benefice website:

<http://www.beneficewestbarnsley.org.uk>

Vicar: Rev Canon Keith Farrow DL
The Vicarage, 12 High Street
Silkstone, S75 4JN

Telephone: 01226 492294

For enquiries about Weddings, funerals and general enquiries please contact the Benefice Administrator:

Mrs Loraine Wills

Email beneficewestbarnsley@hotmail.com

Mob: 07973 381131

For Baptism enquiries contact the Benefice Baptism Coordinator:

Mrs Lynn Wilkinson

Email: lynnw1308@googlemail.com

Mob: 07876 750983