

Addingham Civic Society Members Newsletter April 2021

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Civic Society News

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Members' Monthly 'Zoom' Meeting

Thursday 15th of April at 7.30pm

A Photography Presentation by John Fontana 'The Unforgiving Camera'



Change of Speaker....

The eagle-eyed amongst you will have spotted that we have a change of Speaker this month ! Peter Riley from Wharfedale Naturalists was to be in the 'hot seat' but his presentation will now take place next year.

Now, John Fontana's photography talk '**The Unforgiving Camera**' sounds fascinating and just a tad intriguing. Thanks John for standing in at short notice.....

Now, you all know the form by now....if you want to attend this online 'Zoom' presentation then just drop a mail to our Chairman who will add you to the 'list'.

Click on chairman@addinghamcivicsociety.co.uk

Great.

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM)

As notified in last month's Newsletter this year's AGM will take place on the **20th of May at 7.30pm**, immediately before our Speaker. Like last year it will take place via Zoom.

For those who receive the newsletter via email:

Many of you who receive your newsletter via email will be able to 'attend' the AGM virtually via Zoom. The AGM documentation and information about accessing the virtual AGM will be included in your May Newsletter.

However to give sufficient time for the Officer/Trustee nomination process your nomination form is included at the bottom of this Newsletter. If you wish to nominate someone but cannot print the form below, then just let Gill know and she can email you another one, or arrange to let you have a printed version.

For those who receive a printed newsletter:

We realise that by holding our AGM online some of our members will not have easy access to the meeting. So, in order to include those members in the important decisions that are made at AGMs an Officer/Trustee nomination form is included at the bottom of this newsletter. All the other usual documents will be included with the May newsletter.

Officer/Trustee Nominations: As mentioned above if you would like to nominate someone as an Officer/Trustee then please complete the attached nomination slip which is at the very bottom of this Newsletter and return it by Friday the 30th of April to:

Gill Battarbee
ACS Secretary,
9 Main Street,
LS29 0PD

or scan and email it to secretary@addinghamcivicsociety.co.uk
01943 839792.

Bradford's Local Plan

Following the detailed update given in last month's Newsletter regarding Bradford Council's Draft Local Plan Regulation 18 (2020-2038) we can confirm that we submitted our detailed response on the 24th of March. Our Planning team have undertaken a phenomenal amount of work pulling the response together particularly in the light of a very tight timescale for submission. As always we had the interests of the Village at heart in the preparation of the response and you can read all 24 pages (!) on our website by clicking on the link below:

<http://www.addinghamcivicsociety.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/ACS-RESPONSE-FINAL-Complete-PDF.pdf>



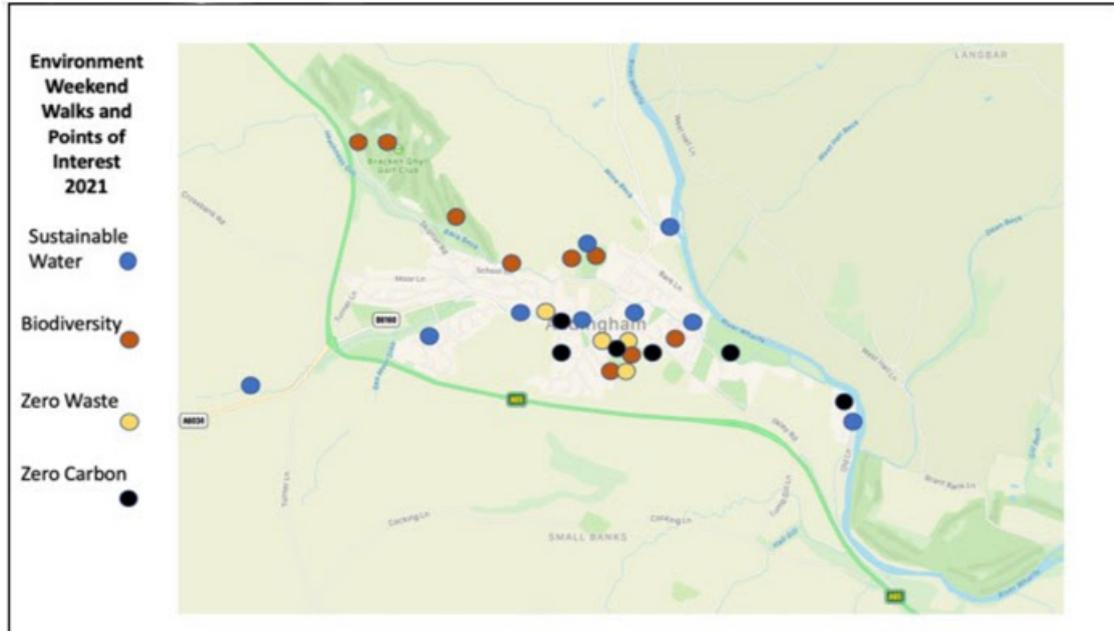
A Date for Your Diary.
Environmental Weekend for Addingham
Self-guided Walks
May 15th and 16th

Following the disappointment of our cancelled Environment Weekend last year the Environment Group has planned an alternative for this year. In order to stay safe we are organising some self-guided walks in the village. The walks will pick up a range of points of interest that link to our environmental themes of **Biodiversity, Zero Carbon, Zero Waste and Sustainable Water.**

You will be able to design your own route to cover all the points that interest you. Here is an early draft of



one of our maps to illustrate the idea.



There will be three outdoor “hubs” at which someone will be available with information and a display, and at some of the points of interest there will be activities. We are delighted that St Peters has agreed for us to use the Church Field as one of the Hubs and we will be inviting families to end their walk in the field and, weather permitting, bring their own picnic.



There will be a map leaflet available closer to the weekend but if you own a smart phone or tablet all the information will be available on our website and the points of interest will each have its own QR code linking to further information. And finally, but most importantly everything is being planned to take account of Covid safety.

So do put the dates in your diary **15th and 16th May** and look out for further information.

Dales Way near Bolton Bridge



You will recall the item in last month’s Newsletter when we highlighted the issues surrounding the heaps of earth, rocks and rubble deposited on the B6160 just south of Bolton Bridge roundabout.

We can now report that following our correspondence with the Bolton Abbey estate, the estate has cleared a good pathway behind the mounds of earth and rubble at the side of the road just south of Bolton Bridge, as these photographs show. Dales Way

walkers and other pedestrians can therefore keep safely away from road traffic. We are very pleased that

the problem has been resolved before the Covid lockdown ends and the numbers of visitors increase.

We now look forward to the safety of pedestrians' being further enhanced by the creation of a new permissive path through the roadside woodland to the north of the site, as agreed between the estate and the Dales Way Association. At present we do not know when this work will take place and we will keep you posted.



Village Photography Competition.

We told you about this competition in last month's Newsletter and we thought we should give you all the information again.....so there you go :

Following on from the success of the 2020 Environment Group Photo Competition, we are planning a repeat of this popular event.

The wildlife categories are:

- Bees and hoverflies (any kind)
- Butterflies
- Birds
- All other animals including mammals, amphibians, fish and other invertebrates
- Wildflowers
- Landscape of views within the parish or seen from the parish.



In all of these, except for cropping, digital adjustments should not be made since we don't want misrepresentations of nature; these pictures will be kept and held in the village archive for future reference.

Each entry must have

- Name of the photographer
- Category
- Age, if 11 or under
- Date of picture (**must be taken in 2021**)
- Precise location of subject (address, geographic description, or grid reference)
- Picture title (including species name/s and/or geographic features.

This year, there will be two extra categories:

- Addingham – our village
- Creative

The Addingham category is meant to show off the village with reference to its buildings, village events and its people (though please get permission from any persons before sending in your images). Digital manipulation to a degree is acceptable, but please try to remember this category is essentially documentary.

Creative gives free reign to your artistic side. Anything goes, provided a camera was used at some stage in the process, including all types of digital software, to realise your masterpiece!

As last year, there will be a separate competition for children aged 11 years or under. There are no categories here – we just want to see your favourite shots, but please include the same entrant details.

The closing date for submissions is **29/5/2021** and images should be submitted to aeg@addingham.info There will be prizes for the winner of each category, and another for an overall winner judged to be 'best in show'!

Good luck

A brilliant Bird Sightings Report from Chris Acomb (for the period January – March 2021)

A report from Chris will be a regular feature in the Newsletter every 3 months or so.....

This year we got off to another good start with bird sightings. To date we have had 61 species of birds reported from in and around Addingham. There are still a few records to be collated, so the question is will we beat last year's count of 61 species? The Great British Garden Bird watch took place during the last weekend of January (29th – 31st). A number of Addingham residents sent me copies of the record they had submitted to RSPB. This helps us see the local picture. Several people continue to record their garden birds each month and send in a report of their sightings. We have received reports of 37 different species of birds seen in the gardens of Addingham. As you would expect the commonly reported birds were: Bluetits (14 gardens), Blackbirds (13) and Robin (11). It is important to record these currently common birds so we can monitor trends over years. The rarer garden bird sightings this year included:

Bullfinch	3 gardens
Goldcrest	4 gardens
Great Spotted Woodpecker	3 gardens
Greenfinch	2 gardens
Lesser Red Poll	3 gardens
Siskin	4 gardens
Willow warbler	1 garden



Photo: Lesser Redpoll (*Acanthis cabaret*) David and Ann Austin

Late winter and early spring are good times to listen to bird song like thrushes, but is what you are hearing a Song Thrush or a Mistle Thrush? Apparently Mistle Thrushes sing in the minor key! I cannot tell the difference when I hear one. I also struggle to distinguish one even when I can see the bird clearly. Taking a photo enables you to look more closely at the markings. Have a look at the lovely photo by Anne Clarke taken on the former First School site (An area that is rewilding wonderfully).



Mistle Thrushes are slightly bigger with a more upright stance than Song Thrushes. The spots on a Mistle Thrush are sharper in outline, broader and rounder than the inverted V shapes seen on the Song Thrush. Song Thrushes have pale brown backs and are creamy-buff below, whilst Mistle Thrushes are slightly paler. In flight the Mistle Thrush has white under its wings and the Song Thrush is more of a pale orange.

We think this is a Mistle Thrush. (The broader round spots helping with the identification).

Now that spring is here, we will soon start to see migrating birds coming to our village. Which of you will be the first to hear a Cuckoo or see Swifts, Swallows and House Martins? We would welcome reports of your sightings. Some people regularly record all they see, once a month during a 30-60 minute period in their garden or on a regular walk through the village. Others send a report when they see something that catches their eye. All reports are welcome. The important thing is to record: the exact species, the number seen, the location (fairly specific so we can document a grid reference) and the date seen. If you are not sure what you have seen, send us a photo. We can also provide a reporting form (word or excel) if you want, but a simple email will do. aeg@addingham.info

Richard's Snippet

Last month Richard told us that he is building a model of the old Addingham station area and he was looking for help with an important aspect of it, the Gents toilet !!

He tells us:

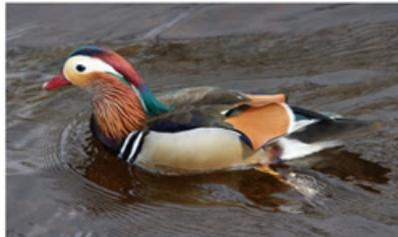
"As promised this month's 'snippet' is a photo of the current model of Addingham Station's Gents Toilet

from above (imagine you are piloting a drone!). Lots to do yet, as you can see, but if I finish I will need to find something else to do so there is no rush. I have had a little feedback from last month so thank you to those people. Next month will be back to the history.”



Harry's Corner

A regular piece from Harry Jevons:



“With a name like Mandarin, this duck, is not a native and can only have been introduced to the UK from one country, China. It ‘escaped’ or was deliberately released from captivity in the UK and its numbers now total around 7,000. As you can see in this photo, the male Mandarin is a beautiful waterbird with elaborate and ornate plumage. By comparison, the female is ‘plain and dull’ ! These ducks can be seen throughout the year on the river Wharfe between Ilkley and Bolton Abbey. This male Mandarin was on the

Wharfe near Low Mill Addingham. Interestingly these ducks nest in tree cavities close to water April/May. After hatching, the female flies down to the ground and encourages the ducklings to leap the nest and follow her to the river! So the next time you walk by the Wharfe, keep a lookout for this most attractive water bird.”

And.....this is rather nice

A lovely photo of the front of an Easter card the Society has just received from the children at the Primary School. The message inside reads “To Jim and all at the Civic Society wishing you a happy Easter and we hope the Easter bunny is good to you. Love from all the children at Addingham Primary School”....



Brought a lump to our Chairman's throat !!

Officer/Trustee Nomination slip:

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Addingham Civic Society Nomination Form

We nominate the following member of the society for the post of (PLEASE TICK) ✓

CHAIR	VICE CHAIR	HON SECRETARY	HON TREASURER	TRUSTEE
Nominee's name: Please Print		Nominee's signature:		
Proposer's name: Please Print		Proposer's signature:		
Seconder's name: Please Print		Seconder's signature:		

Nominees require a Proposer and a Seconder, both of whom shall be members of the Addingham Civic Society

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