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## CHESHIRE HOME REVISITED

I visited Mickley Hall last month for the Victorian Christmas Fair after a break of some years, (I retired as secretary at the Home in 1990) and was most impressed with the recent changes, the dark old corridor between the dining room and the lounge has been transformed with the conservatory extension, also the patio to the activity centre, the enlarged physio room, and the corridors wallpapered and with wall lights giving a much softer effect. (The original bedroom corridors were un-plastered breezeblocks for years, and lino flooring, very cold looking).

Thinking back to 1967 when the facilities were extremely basic, sometimes almost Dickensian, and the uphill struggles of the early years, it seems remarkable what has been achieved since then, in many stages when funding has been raised.

The first ten residents were in dormitory accommodation, eight women in what is now the downstairs office, two men in the room next to the lounge. With the building of the long flat-roofed bedroom corridor in 1969 - it leaked badly at first, many buckets etc., being needed for the drips - the number of residents was increased to thirty-six. Many still shared bedrooms, and the dream was to have single rooms for everyone, which was not realised until.

the quadrangle was completed and the courtyard levelled in 1985, opened by the Duchess of Gloucester. Over the years the various improvements have totally altered the original stone building which was built as Cherrytree Orphanage in 1868 and was home to many children until 1966 when two more modern homes were built further up the hill. The Sheffield Cheshire Home Steering Committee purchased the outdated old stone building, which became Mickley Hall, and had possibilities for future developments.

The big bay window with window seats in the dining room was one project, and this gave space for entertainments, the bar was installed, the kitchen had several modernisations, staff accommodation was provided upstairs, replacing the two large dormitories for boys and girls in the old Cherrytree. Better bathing facilities, a physio room and the expensive equipment needed for it, the activity centre, all these projects took years to plan, then fund and execute.

Perhaps the most appreciated facility was the arrival of the first minibus in 1973, which had a tail lift for the wheelchairs.

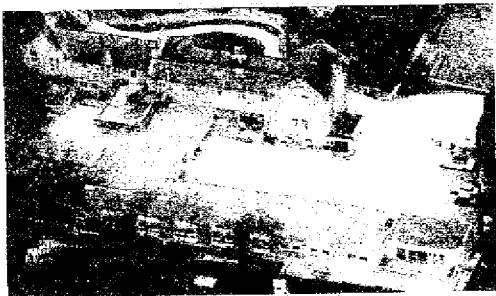
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This gave much greater freedom to residents to attend theatres etc., and church attendance was easily available. (Previously this had been provided in private cars, which was difficult for

both the resident and the person volunteering to use their car). Prior to the coming of our own bus, Social Services had

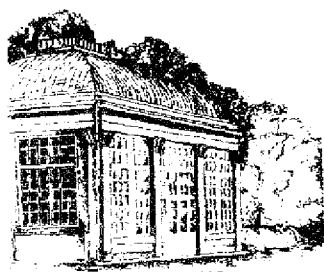


loaned the Home one of their minibuses for an annual outing to the coast, otherwise Mickley was an isolated outpost of Sheffield up a rather bleak hill. Shopping expeditions with our own bus became possible and life opened up many more possibilities.

Leonard Cheshire himself said that the facilities and amenities of the early homes of the Foundation would not be acceptable now. There are far more Health and Safety rules and Fire Precautions regulating homes, but looking back it was remarkable how the homes got started at all and progressed so far.

Leonard Cheshire died in 1992 of Motor Neurone Disease, and his wife Sue Ryder, who also founded a number of homes after the Second World War, died recently. There have been a number of biographies of Lord Cheshire, the most recent being "Cheshire: The Biography of Leonard Cheshire V.C." by Richard Morris (Viking £20). D. Styles.

## Friends of the Botanical Gardens Sheffield



The Friends of the Botanical Gardens would like to thank everyone who has supported us during 2000 by attending Plant Sales and buying goods from our sales table. We raised £10,000 from the plant sales during the year.

The opening of phase one of the restoration of the gardens took place on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2000. Lord Scarborough performed the opening ceremony. The Clarkehouse Road entrance has been beautifully restored and now houses a shop, exhibition centre and the curator's office. The curator's house is now a restaurant at night and a café during the day with a conservatory extension and a new toilet block. South Lodge has also been restored, it's tenant helping with security.

Phase 2 of the restoration plan, the renovation of the Glass Pavilions, is due to begin in summer 2001. We still require a lot more money so many events will be staged in the future. We look forward to the continued support of local people. The first sale will be on Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2-00 p.m. to 4-00 p.m.

Avril Critchley

## TRA UPDATE DECEMBER 2000

### TOTLEY HALL PARK - (College Playing Field)

A public consultation meeting was held on Thursday, 14th December at Totley Primary School to discuss the above. The council officers were Ian Mitchell (Leisure Services), Andrew Cornwell (Planning), and Ernest Bruin (Sports and Drainage). Councillor Colin Ross chaired the meeting, and Councillor's Keith Hill and Ann Smith were in attendance.

A plan of the area was displayed along with various ideas for the site. There was discussion around various aspects of the proposals for the park and these included: - the use of the redundant tennis court area, a children's play area, the football pitch, a path around the perimeter, various entrances and exits, planting, dog bins, and drainage. The effect of car parking was also felt to be an issue. The over all feeling was that it is a very wet site, so much so that there is often difficulty with grass cutting, and the main priority should be drainage. It was felt that the tennis court area could be used for young children to ride bikes, play hopscotch etc., and some ball games. There will be discussion with children at the local primary schools about equipping the play area, and general support for a circular path suitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs. Totley Primary School and TRA volunteered to help with the planting of the site and TRA to fund some benches. Approximate costing would be: Playground - £28,000 Drainage and Hard Standing - £22,000 Footpath - £12,000. Final plans will be displayed in Totley Library. Watch this space!

At our next committee meeting on 8th January we will be welcoming our new Area Co-ordinator Dave Aspinall and talking to our Community Policewoman Rebecca Hunt-Brown about traffic issues. The next South West Area Panel meeting will be at Totley Primary School on 17th January, 2001 at 7.30pm.

## Churches Together in S17

If you are like me, you enjoy looking at the old photos that appear on the front page of the "Independent" and try to identify exactly where the place is, and what it looks like now. There is a fascination in seeing how the landscape has changed over the years, especially places we are familiar with, and pondering on what has led to that, and what it has meant for the people who have lived there. At home, our children are always keen to look at old family photos, for much the same reasons.

This simple enjoyment illustrates two strands of our human experience. On the one hand we have a need to feel rooted. We may find our roots in a place that we have lived in for many years, in a family identity, in membership of something, be it a church or some other group of people. On the other hand externals are always changing, and the way in which we adapt to change is an important side of life for us all.

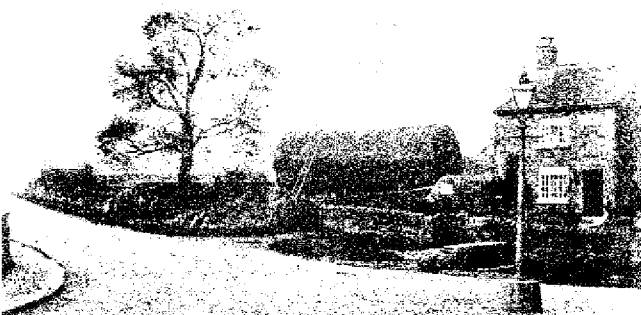
I think the two are linked. Where we have solid and healthy roots, we are less likely to find change in externals so frightening. So as we begin to look for Spring growth in the garden, we might ask ourselves where our roots are. The bible is apt to refer to people having their roots in Jesus - the same yesterday, today and for ever. If we want roots to give the peace of mind and heart to handle change, can we find anything more secure?

David Rhodes

## DORE VILLAGE

Dear Editor

I am writing about the photo of Dore Village in the November issue of the Totley Independent. I was born and bred in Dore and lived there from 1937 to 1962, when I



moved away after service in the Royal Navy. I went to both Dore and Totley C. of E. schools, your Jimmy Martin was with me at Dore, and John Perkinson was a class mate at Totley. That's a bit about me now a bit about the photo.

It must have been taken in the 1920's or early 30's as neither I nor members of my family can remember the farm being a working farm. Nor can any of us remember the gas-lamp being in the middle of the road or the steps being there. The house that is shown belonged to a Mr. Holmes known to us as 'chippy' as he kept the local chip shop, which was situated where the workshop of the Dore garage now is. There used to be a shop opposite his house called Tiddy's, which was taken over by Shentall's, who later on closed it down.

The tree was there for a long time as was a police and phone box. During the war there was a static water tank for use on any fires, this was sited about where the haystack is. There were two large fields where the houses and flats now stand, these fields had pre-fabs built on them after the war, I remember them coming in crates from the USA along with quite a few rats.

These were the same sort of Pre-Fabs that were at Green Oak at Totley, they were only supposed to be a short term measure, but stayed up for about 30 years. Some of the farm buildings were taken over by the Green brothers who opened up a builders merchants, from there they opened the shop, and over the ensuing years the other shops and bank have opened up.

Apart from these the area is very much the same as it was when I was a boy, except that it is awash with cars.

I hope this has filled in a little bit of information about this part of Dore, it is a job to remember after all these years.

J.S. Taylor

Dear Ed.

Seeing the picture of Dore Village on the frontispiece of the November, issue no. 238, was a reminder to me of my association with this area of Dore.

Whilst unable to put a date to the photograph it surely must date back to early in the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

The gas lamp and the haystack have gone of course but the tree remains in real maturity.

The buildings at the back were part of 'Limpits Farm', the farm house situated around the corner in Rushley Road.

All the land and properties around formed part of the Duke of Devonshire's holdings in Dore.

In the late 20's and 30's my two elder brothers rented the farm buildings and yard and started a building firm, the farm no longer operates.

Then later on still when the Chatsworth Estates Company were disposing of its interests in Dore, (to pay for death duties we understood.)

We, Green Brothers (Dore) Ltd. Purchased the land and buildings and eventually developed the land to the shops etc..

We three brothers were born in Totley, in a cottage in Hall Lane, now long ago demolished, the land forming part of the extensions to the Fleur De Lys.

Our family were one of several families of Greens existing in Totley at that time, we all attended Totley C. of E. school and until marrying lived and enjoyed our respective lives in the old village of Totley.

## BRADWAY BANK



Dear Editors

I was interested in the December cover picture "A view from Bradway Bank" and note a few clues that help us to date the photograph.

The Alms houses (Date stone 1900) tell us that we're in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Next look along Totley Brook Road to the last pair of houses on the left of the picture.

To the right of this pair is an oak tree and a small building with a porch on the front, this was known as "The Tin Tab".

It was erected on land near Dore station in 1889 and belonged to Dore and Totley Union Church.

Services were held there until the harvest Festival, 27<sup>th</sup> September 1908.

The building was then transported to Totley Brook Road and re-erected on the site of what is now the Church Hall.

A new church was built alongside, stone laying 21 September 1912, and opening 22 May 1913, now known as Dore and Totley United Reformed Church.

The date of the photograph must be within about 2 years of summer 1910.

Bill Glossop

Another reader telephoned to say he thought the photograph dated around 1922. Thanks for taking the trouble to write and phone.

Ed.

We welcome letters about local affairs and will publish as many as possible. However the views expressed are not necessarily those of Editor, editorial staff or the Totley Residents Association and must not be imputed to them.

## SOUTH WEST AREA PANEL PUBLIC MEETING

### GENERAL PLANNING ISSUES IN THE SOUTH WEST AREA

A Public Meeting was held on Wednesday 29 November at Holy Trinity Church Hall, Millhouses, where members of the public had the opportunity to raise questions on general planning issues about the South West area, which includes Totley.

The guest speakers included David Curtis (Head of Planning, Transport and Highways) and Councillor Ian Auckland (Cabinet member for Economic and Physical Development). Below is the list of questions raised.

They were grouped under three headings to make best use of the limited time available. Written questions had previously been invited. Any written questions which did not appear will be given an individual written reply.

The hall was packed to capacity including residents from Milldale and Mill Lane, Totley, who had received a separate letter from local councillors giving the impression that the meeting was to specifically discuss recent (and persistent) flooding in their area. Unfortunately this led to confusion and the issue remained unresolved.

There are further meetings of the South West Area Panel planned as follows, January 17th Totley Primary School 7.30pm.

March 28th Town Hall 6.4 5pm, which will include a visit to the Lord Mayor's Parlour.

Where notes were made of answers to questions, they are given. Where answers were of a great length or contained specific data space does not allow for comprehensive answers to be included here.

#### TRANSPORT

1. Why are Sheffield's roads in such poor condition? How much money has been spent on resurfacing roads in the last five years?

(Budget only allows for patching and partial repair, not wholesale re-surfacing)

2. How do our local matters on transport fit into the Yorkshire and Humberside Plan, and do we undertake any joint work with Derbyshire County Council?

(Yes consultation takes place with neighbouring counties)

3. What steps are being taken to make it possible to cross busy roads in relative safety (particularly where children are concerned) and what is the policy for enforcing the 30mph speed limit. What more can be done to improve implementation of existing enforcement measures?

(This is a Police matter. Crossings on busy roads may not always be considered safe because of rapid traffic flow)

4. Has any work been undertaken at looking at the introduction of selective parking restrictions around areas of all day commuter parking close to train/bus stops etc, comparable to those operating in other commuter areas, for example, London?

(Note was made of this question for further investigation)

5. How soon will the Council be able to provide safe accessible routes for the users of invalid carriages between house, shop and public transport? (For example, Dore village centre) (This work is now ongoing. Kerb lowering now being evident at various locations)

6. Where traffic calming measures are input as phases, can future phases be a part of all consultation meetings as such measures have an effect on adjacent roads.

(Traffic calming is done with local consultation. However, schemes do not always get 100% backing from local residents as some people are totally against such measures)

7. Why is so much money, time and thought going into certain areas for road calming while other areas are

neglected? (How does the Council prioritise road safety/calming measures?) (Calming measures are only carried out as the limited funding allows)

8. What progress is being made with the Abbeydale corridor work? (The consultants are currently working on this scheme and a report should be available in the near future)

#### ENFORCEMENT/ CONSULTATION

9. The City has an "Agenda 21" commitment to carrying out its principles on public involvement at all levels of the planning process, even at the development plan stage. What is the council going to do to reinforce the above principles knowing that there is no statutory requirement to do so and that these principles are always ignored in the current planning process?

(Although there is no statutory requirement committed to "Agenda 21" the Council believed the principles were implemented by public involvement at all stages)

10. Is public consultation a statutory requirement in the planning process, and if it is, why does it seem the public views are often ignored?

(Yes, public consultation is a statutory requirement. It was stated that public views were not ignored. But all parties agreed that there was always room for improvement)

11. What pre-active consultation mechanism can be implemented regarding planning issues that affect the SW Area or significant parts of it (e.g. Abbeydale Corridor)?

(See question 8)

12. How many officers are currently monitoring conditions imposed on developments as a consequence of being granted planning permission? How many enforcement orders have been issued in the last twelve months and how many of these have been successful in achieving their objective? (6 officers are employed in monitoring planning conditions. Only a very small number of enforcement orders have been issued during the last twelve months)

13. When developments impinge on roads and verges, who should make sure these are left in a reasonable state? At present nobody seems to do this.

(Officers of the council monitor the situation. There is an obligation on the Utilities to reinstate roads and verges back to their original condition)

14. It is understood that a policy has been developed which seeks to prevent the proliferation of "portakabins" on school grounds, as they look poor and are not in keeping with the area (i.e. if it is not brick it might not be allowed). Could this policy compromise the future pre-school learning provision in the city?

(No policy exists as to what type of specific temporary building is allowed. Each case is determined on its own merits)

15. Is there any overall control in Sheffield to ensure a balance between various types of housing i.e. the ratio of expensive and more affordable small houses/flats?

(This was a very popular question. No overall control exists)

16. Is there any check on the numbers of new dwellings on any particular area (including infill) and the impact this might have on amenities (schools, transport, drainage etc)?

In planning decisions (particularly regarding individual applications) are drainage and sewage provisions for the locality as a whole taken into account?

(The effect on amenities is part of the planning application. Responsibility for drainage rests with the Department of the Environment, not the City Council.

With regard to infill, which can be subtle and unnoticed this

was a major concern amongst the audience. Former Councillor David Heslop commented that residents who lived next door to properties with large gardens, could under the present system, no longer feel safe)

17. What will the new legislation be on telecommunications masts and can residents have their views taken into account, when planning departments are under pressure to accommodate such masts? (It is believed that Parliament will shortly be announcing a decision on masts. At present there is no requirement for different companies to share masts)

18. What effect on planning will the Human Rights Act Have?

(As this act is so recent, the full effects are not fully understood. However, it does seem likely that third parties will have a right to appeal, which they don't have at present. Local Authority decisions will be open to scrutiny, including planning)

19. How is the maximum capacity for a road calculated? At what point is a development on the edge of the city refused because a major road leading to it has reached capacity?

(The criteria was explained and where applicable conditions are placed upon the developer to resolve such issues)

20. What criteria are used to determine whether or not a building, outside a conservation area, should be protected? When did the Council last review it's listed buildings and when will they be reviewed again? Will a "local listing scheme" be relevant and can it be enforced to protect valued buildings without national historic significance?

(A listings review was carried out in the city within the last five years. Normally this is reviewed every ten years. There was much concern in the hall, particularly with the demolition of the Kings Head pub.

21. When Section 106 money is lodged with the council, and not used immediately, what happens to the interest all these monies?

(Because Section 106 money (improvement money from developers from specific schemes) was placed in a city-wide "pot", it is always used relatively quickly, not allowing interest to accrue)

22. And finally, will the latest flooding be taken into account when assessing planning applications? (Yes. And recent events will have highlighted this issue even more.)

Mike Williamson

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**RAPID RESPONSE ON THE BUS  
AND PAVEMENT**

At about 3-30 p.m. on Monday 27<sup>th</sup>. November my wife and I were returning from a shopping trip in the city on a Totley bus.

I got up as we were approaching the Brinkburn Drive Bus Stop and, as at the age of 86 I am becoming a little tottery, I fell full length on the floor. Immediately quite a few people leapt from their seats and in a moment had me up and undamaged, and then again on the wet and windy morning of the 8<sup>th</sup>. December I was blown on to my face on the pavement outside the Late Shopper by the wind catching my umbrella.

Immediately two gentlemen appeared. One went across Abbeydale road to retrieve my umbrella, three letters and my carrier bag, while the other insisted on sitting me in the front of his van and in due course drove me back to my bungalow. I am recording these incidents as being typical of the kindness and consideration of the people of Totley and the speedy way they reacted. I would also like to thank publicly the people who gave me such prompt and kind help.

David Caldwell

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## FARMING SCENE

Well, here we are in the middle of December and there is still no sign of 'proper' autumn or winter weather. The best you can say for it, is that it has been consistent. Consistently warm, wet and windy, rightly described in farming circles as being "no good for man nor beast"

Little land work has been done since my last article, although nationally a further 10% of the potato crop has been lifted, and the some progress is being made with the Sugar Beet harvest.

The E.U. farm ministers are considering a proposal to 'free up' trade in sugar. This would allow a much higher quantity of non-E.U. produced sugar into Europe, at a time when world sugar prices are relatively low. This would undercut the price of U.K. produced sugar, which would be of benefit to consumers. The downside of course would be a likely 40% cut in U.K. production, with large numbers of redundancies both in the processing and production sectors. This would continue the trend of reducing the capacity of basic industries in favour of low cost imports. This has happened to car, steel, ship and coal production, with food production now going down the same path.

Much has recently been made of the cessation of car production by Vauxhall at Dunstable with the consequent loss of 2,000 jobs. This made headline news, with a government taskforce promising to help these workers find new jobs. However the current flood of redundancies in agriculture receives little attention, media or government, or special help. Last year some 24,000 farmers and workers were forced out of the industry, with a similar number forecast to leave this year.

On a local note, we have nearly finished pruning our canes and bushes. This is some 2-3 months ahead of our normal schedule, and is a reflection of the fact that we have been able to do little else over the last 3 months. Turkey plucking starts next week (w.c. 18<sup>th</sup> Dec.) and in common with most producers this year, we still have a few left to sell. (At the time of writing.) It would appear that turkey is losing some of its popularity as the main meat dish on Christmas day. Other more exotic meats, or even a pork or beef joint, have become the Christmas special with poultry becoming a cheaper, regular, every day dinner dish.

South Yorkshire has now been officially recognised by the E.U. as a low income/high unemployment area. This has triggered eligibility for regeneration funding and a large amount of 'Objective 1' money is now available to help lift unemployment and wage levels. There are a number of areas where this money can be spent, one of which is helping agriculture to diversify or market produce direct to

consumers. This scheme on similar lines designed to increase farm skills and non-farming income. We are considering how best to make use of the opportunity this money and training could give us. One of the enterprises that would be eligible and fulfill a demand, is the excavation and stocking of a course fishing lake.

Apparently these are becoming increasingly popular near towns or cities with demand outstripping supply. Our clay soil, high rainfall level and nearness to an urban population would seem to put us in an ideal area for this enterprise.

Edwin Pocock

## R.S.P.C.A.

### CHRISTMAS FUND APPEAL

Many thanks to those who supported this appeal and to Totley Library Yorkshire Co-op Late shop and Halifax Building Society for acting as collection points. There are always -unfortunately - an influx of dogs and cats at Spring Street over the Christmas period and the food is a big help. However, the problem of unwanted animals is always present, and both the Library and Co-op kindly allow the tins and biscuits collection throughout the year, so please if you can, continue the support. New homes are always needed for dogs, cats, rabbits, at the Shelter, so if you are thinking seriously of a new companion, do consider a rescue animal that needs a new home.

Mrs. D. Styles

### KING ECGBERT'S SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS

On Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup>, December, former pupils who had left the school in the summer of 2000 and had just completed their first term at various universities and colleges were invited to return to meet with staff and collect their certificates.

Three former pupils received special awards.

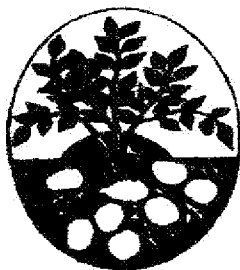
The Ann Ferdinand Prize for best 'A' level results was awarded to Frances Leviston, now studying combined Language and Literature at Oxford and Ben Hook studying Natural Science at Cambridge.

James Pike received an award from the Alison Firth Memorial Fund; for outstanding achievement despite difficulties and ill health during his 'A' level year.

James is now studying Law at Newcastle University.

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## A Dream For Totley by George Moody

A few months ago Maurice asked readers of the Totley Independent whether they had a dream. I have a very simple dream for Totley. Totley is the place of Tota's people. It was a wood or field where a family group or clan once lived. At its heart was Tota. Today Totley has no heart. It is split in two by a dual carriageway. My dream is to restore that heart. My dream is that Totley would again have a centre, where people can meet, shop, chat and relax in safety. My dream is that this centre would be a place where people want to stop, where people want to visit, where people know they are at the heart of a Place, a Parish and a Home. How might this dream work?

I believe the key is to create a heart for Totley. Too many schemes concentrate on traffic calming, or parking, or safe crossing. These things are essential but should be seen within a broader scheme of building a centre that attracts people to gather and use and share. This is why the prospect of a takeaway does not please me. It encourages people to stop but not to stay. It gives the impression that Totley is a place to drive through on the way somewhere else, rather than a place to live.

First, Totley needs to find a centre point. Currently there are at least three: the shops around Mickley Lane, the old centre up by the Cross Scythcs and Totley Rise. Totley Rise is unfortunately not appropriate as a heart. The nature of the road means that it cannot heal the heart. High walls and complex traffic systems make it impossible. It will always be a good place to stop and buy but cannot become a centre for Totley. The old heart has much to recommend it. It is attractive and the new housing is nearby. In addition, All Saints Church and the War Memorial are there. However it is too small a site to work for all Totley. There is little safe parking and nowhere to put more. That leaves the area around where Mickley Lane meets Baslow road. This has potential. The double bend could be used to slow traffic. The shops opposite Mickley Lane are attractive and the rest could be improved. The road is wide and could provide safe parking. The complex series of turnings add traffic, but the planners have not yet destroyed the area by covering everything with concrete and traffic lights. In addition the library is a big draw, the children's play area is within walking distance and there are more shops at Main Avenue. Therefore, I suggest the area from the Library to a little beyond Mickley Lane become our designated heart, with a recognition that whatever changes are made there, should be reflected by a similar scheme at the old centre so that the two feel part of one home. Likewise, the area around Main Avenue should be a third, small imitation connecting the two major focuses.

Second, the road layout must be altered utterly. The dual

carriageway should disappear entirely, to be replaced by a wide avenue. Parking should be clearly dedicated on either side, at double the present width to make it safe to get in and out. This should still leave a wider than average road, but one that is definitely single carriageway. Traditional English trees should be grown at the three centres, to further the feeling of avenue and home. The tarmac should change colour or better be replaced with a modern form of cobbling to emphasise the change from *through road* to road for *the use of all*. Traffic calming schemes that make driving a hassle or a frustration must not be introduced, for they make people want to avoid the area. However, safe-crossing places must be provided, two to delineate the main heart and one each at Main Avenue and the old centre. Traffic should feel that this is a place that people live and move and enjoy and so want to drive slowly, both to appreciate the place and to avoid trouble. However traffic must continue to flow smoothly, otherwise cars are trapped making it an unpleasant place to be, due to fumes and noise. Thus there should be no roundabouts, no traffic lights and no bumps.

Third, local facilities must be improved in every way, in quality, in access and in looks. The children's play area is unsafe and must be changed completely. Also a pathway to it should be clearly marked, preferably from the library, so as to avoid roads. The library is an excellent facility, but it still looks like someone has tried to bury it. It must be much more clearly accessible from the road. The grass verge that prevents you reaching the path without wet feet must have clear points of access, with paths on the road side leading you there from your car. In addition the verge must be planted with bushes and trees to soften the site. Ideally benches should be provided for those who might stop and read.

Fourth, the whole area needs to be turned into a place you might stop to talk or 'drift' through, rather than a place you want to get into and out of as quickly as possible. All paths should be paved with the same scheme using materials that are as natural as possible, e.g. stone, brick or similar. Planting schemes that are easy to maintain should be put in place wherever there is an unused gap. These could be large tubs or shrubs, preferably flowering, or small trees. This planting should emphasise the boundaries of the heart and be carried through to the other two areas. Shops that emphasise community should be encouraged to move in. These could include a coffee shop, or children's clothing, as well as the current food, hair, DIY etc. that serve us so well.

Finally, all this should be done with the help of members of the community. We could all take a part in giving back the heart to Totley. This is my dream.

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## GARDENING TIPS FOR FEBRUARY

Although February is generally a cold month there are often short, sunny spells which offer a promise of the coming Spring. Don't be misled however, into making early sowings as the ground is still too cold and wet for these to succeed. I hope you enjoyed your Christmas and New Year festivities and have not broken too many of your New Year resolutions, especially the one where you are going to make a big effort to enter into the Totley Show this year. Plans are already afoot to make it even better than last year, we will still welcome any suggestions or ideas you may have, write to me or Pauline Perkinson and we will put them forward to the Committee.

### FLOWERS

Cut down old perennials and fork round the plants. Work in a balanced fertiliser such as Growmore or well-rotted compost. Clean up rockeries, top dress with compost and horticultural grit. Plant out herbaceous perennials, don't forget to protect them from slugs they love delphiniums. Start dahlia tubers in warmth 60 degrees is plenty. Later in the month sow summer bedding plants like snapdragons, begonias, busy lizzy, marigolds and petunias etc. they need to be kept warm also. Sow sweet peas now under glass, plant them individually in small pots or tubes (toilet roll centres are ideal), this will avoid root disturbance when planting out. Take chrysanthemum cuttings using the vigorous new shoots being produced from the base of the stools (Parent Plant). Root in pots under glass. Lift and divide snowdrops if they are a bit overcrowded as soon as they have finished flowering.

Some alpine plants such as primula denticulata, pulsatilla and hardy geraniums can be propagated from root cuttings, insert a 1-2 inch portion of roots in boxes of sandy compost, place in a cold frame.

### VEGETABLES

Digging over the plots earmarked for vegetables is a must if the ground is not frozen. Start preparing seed beds as soon as weather permits, cover soil with cloches to warm it up. Add lime to the soil at least 2 weeks before sowing or planting also work in a dressing of balanced fertiliser. If you have not done already put seed potatoes in a light airy frost free place, to sprout (chitting). Broad beans can be sown on well-drained soil, cover with a cloche, mice like these so be prepared. Sow onions under glass if you forgot to plant on Boxing Day. Sow in individual pots or seed trays and prick out into pots or cells before the thin loop straightens. If you grow a lot of vegetables it would pay to check your soil condition particularly after all the wet weather we had earlier, the water will certainly have reduced the nutrients in the soil and these need to be brought up to scratch before planting out. You can do it yourself with a small kit, or send some soil to a horticultural laboratory, addresses are in most gardening magazines.

### TREES, SHRUBS and FRUIT

As usual firm in any newly planted stock, which has been moved by wind or frost. Give your fruit trees a feed of high potash fertiliser, apple, pear and plums will really appreciate this. Mulch around young trees and cane fruit. Prick out seedling strawberries indoors and grow on for planting out later. Apple, pear, gooseberry and currants can be pruned now, paint any large cuts with Arbrex or similar. Established autumn fruiting raspberries should be pruned now, reduce them to about 6 inches (150 cm). Remove the tips from summer fruiting raspberries. Prepare ground for spring planting of evergreens, including azaleas and rhododendrons etc, plant out deciduous shrubs and heathers later in the month. Prune late summer flowering clematis. Check tree ties are secure and not chafing or cutting into the bark. Tackle any overgrown hedges at the end of the month before new growth starts. Cut them back so that the top is a foot lower than the required height.

### GREENHOUSE and INDOOR PLANTS

Feed plants only if they are flowering and only use a fertiliser

especially formulated for pot plants. Keep cyclamen cool and well-watered, remove all flowers as soon as they go over this will encourage new buds to form. Increase humidity around houseplants in centrally heated rooms. Spray regularly except hairy leaved plants and stand on moist gravel. Forced bulbs need to be kept cool if a long display is required. Plant indoor gladioli corms and keep in the dark until shoots are about an inch above the compost. Ventilation in the greenhouse is important at this time, open top vent on fine mild days, and remember to close them an hour or so before dusk. Prune climbing plants in the greenhouse or conservatory. Cut out weak and unwanted growth and trim the side shoots to within one or two buds from the main stem. Remove faded leaves and flowers from plants and keep benches and floors clean and tidy.

### LAWNS

Rake, spike and apply a top dressing of sand and compost. Do not walk on grass if it is frosted. Order turf for laying next month.

Prepare ground for new seeded lawns which should be sown in March or April depending on the weather.

### GENERAL

Last chance to get your mower serviced cheaply, the winter discounts usually stop at the end of February. Don't forget to let us have your ideas / suggestions for the TOTLEY SHOW. Cheerio for now. TOM, BUSY BEE.

## 1881 and all that!

1881 was a special year in that it was a year when the National Census was taken. It is the only year for which the census information is available on C.D. I was given the set of these recently and played with my new "toy".

Who was living in Totley in 1881? Surprisingly there were 671 names on the list. I thought there might have been less. The surname that was most common was "Green" and there were 65 of them. The nearest rival was "Ward" with 46 and then "Elliott" with 24 entries. Down the list was "Fisher" with 15, "Coates" with 12, "Pinder" with 12, "Payne" with 11 and "Wolstenholme", "Wragg" and "Wright" with 10 each. No other family got into double figures.

The census was not always specific about where people lived. Some entries just say "Totley" but others mention places like "Monny Brook", "Totley Bents", "Totley Vale", "Green Oak", "Cross Scythies" and "Crown Inn". For a lot of families the address given was "Roling Mill". It is noteworthy that the heads of these latter families frequently came from outside Totley. Whether they came with specialist skills or just to find work is for someone else to say.

There were 52 names at the "Orphanage". The eldest person there and presumably in charge was Susannah Hoyland. Perhaps she was one of the family of "Hoyland" who lived at Brook Hall? Of course, a census return is only as accurate as the people who provided the information and quite possibly some of them could not read or write. Nevertheless, for me at least, it provided an interesting insight of Totley. Perhaps I can answer someone else's questions through playing further with my "toy".

Maurice Snowden



## Proposed All Weather Pitch for Totley All Saints Primary School

Some local residents have expressed concern about our planning application for an 'all weather pitch', which we feel has, in part, been due to lack of accurate information.

### Why?

Our school has no level hard surface area large enough for necessary P.E. or games with a class of thirty.

### What?

We have asked permission to: -

- Use a macadam surface, which dries quickly - technically an 'all weather pitch'.
- Surround the area with a 'tennis court' fence to prevent balls used during P.E. lessons from rolling down hill.

### When?

Use during normal school hours and Saturday morning.

### Who?

Use by school only.

### Where?

The area requested is towards the centre of the school site because: -

- To the south (Baslow Road side) there is no direct access from the school
- To the west there is a football pitch and wooded area.
- To the north there are school buildings.
- To the east there is car parking and playgrounds.

The area will have no artificial lighting of any kind.

To summarise, we are requesting a facility that will enable normal outdoor school activities to take place whether our field is muddy or dry.

We are sorry if this application has caused any residents unnecessary concern and hope the above information will clarify matters.

John Hill-Wilson, Chair Premises Committee

## Totley Residents Association Annual General Meeting

Totley Library Baslow Road.

Monday 23rd April

7 -30 p.m.

Everyone welcome

## LIAISON LUNCH

It seems that the words "Liaison Lunch" are not as well known in Totley as some of us had assumed. Every three or four months a group of people gather at lunchtime in All Saints' Hall. Some of them will have enjoyed a light lunch at 12.15 and then all share a meeting from 1 o'clock until 2 p.m.

The people attending are all individuals who have the community of Totley at heart. Some will be professionals representing a wide range of interests e.g. Police, Housing Department, Social Services, Schools, Care Homes etc. Some will be voluntary workers e.g. Lunch Clubs and similar groups. There are some 90 people or groups who are notified about the meetings and the attendance at any one meeting might vary between 20 and 30.

There is often a visiting speaker who will have specialised knowledge of one area but there is always an opportunity for anyone present to raise questions or issues which are their particular concern. The group, however, is not a pressure group and does not have a corporate view on such issues. Many of the people who often come to the meetings find that awareness of what is happening elsewhere is valuable in their work. The fact that the arrangements have not changed significantly in over 20 years is testimony to the value that is placed on these meetings. The lunch, for a small charge, is also an opportunity for people to meet informally with others whose field of interest may overlap. Friendships are made and generally all this helps to "oil the wheels" of public service. There is very little financial significance in all this as All Saints' Church makes no charge for the Hall. Nevertheless, the underwriting (to cover postage etc) is carried by "Churches Together in S17"

There is nothing to prevent a private individual attending these meetings either with a view to coming regularly or just to see what happens. Anybody interested in this should contact the Secretary, Catherine Travis at Cherrytree (262 0216) or the Chairman Maurice Snowdon (236 2822) Maurice Snowdon.

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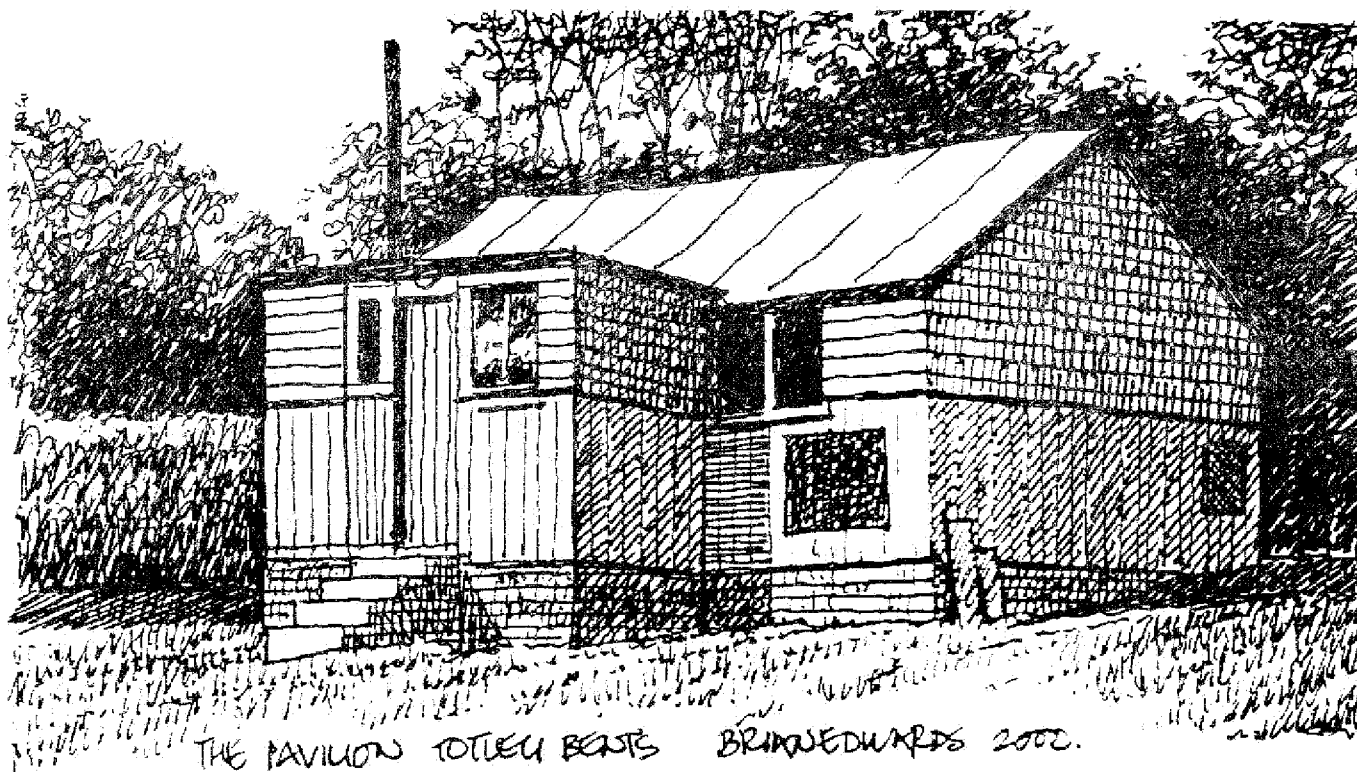
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*I understand that the changing hut was once used by the railway navvies for accommodation during the Totley Tunnel construction*

## **DORE and TOTLEY SUPPORT GROUP for the VISUALY IMPAIRED**

At the November meeting of this group grateful thanks to the TOTLEY INDEPENDENT for the prominent display of our meetings was recorded. The future of the group was also discussed.

**It was decided that for the first three months of 2001 we should continue to have a coffee morning but would keep the day of the week constant on the last Wednesday of the each month, still at the same place. i.e. 4, Grove Road at 11-00 a.m.**

Thanks were also expressed to Magdelene and Laurie Ryan for their continued hospitality.

It is once more emphasised that anyone with any sort of visual problems would be most welcome at our meetings which are most competently run by Pat and John Turner,

**5, Wolstenholm Road, S7 1LL, 255 0758**  
David Caldwell

## **Whisperer.**

**Green Oak Park.** The new benches which the TRA acquired for the park earlier this year have already been damaged.

**Green Oak Bowling Club.** Regarding the article on the club in our October issue, David Ruthven did not seem to know who their President was by name it is in fact David Holding.

**Main Avenue.** There seem to be a few local motorists who use Main Avenue quite regularly and think they are at Silverstone or somewhere. They are travelling well above the speed limit. It is a busy Road and used by a lot of elderly people, some of whom are in invalid chairs.

These car numbers are being recorded.

## **TRANSPORT 17**

Many thanks for all the cards and goodies given to us during the Christmas period. It was also good to know that some of the people who bought Rotary Christmas cards from us won some prizes.

Brian Platts, M.B.E. will be doing the official handover of our new bus for us. This will be on Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup>. February at St. John's Church, Abbeydale Road. All shareholders are invited to come along and join in and have some light refreshments. This should all take place around noon.

We are very grateful to Brian Platts for doing the honours for us. He is the man behind the incredible success of Manor Operatic Society and has just finished a marvellous run in "Cinderella" at the City Hall.

We are hoping we will get more publicity than we usually get in the local papers. It would be nice to have our work recognised all over Sheffield.

Congratulations to Victor and Gwen Copp who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary recently.

Hope the New Year started well for you all and gets better.  
Margaret Barlow.

## TWELFTH NIGHT CAKES CUSTOMS AND NAILING

Although we generally acknowledge the revival of Christmas celebrations with the Victorians, the ball had actually started rolling in the late Georgian and Regency period (1790-1837). The beginning of the 19th century saw a revival in the festivities. Books, engravings and articles appeared describing how Christmas had been in "olden days". Extinct traditions were recalled and although viewed with sentiment many would have, in fact, been regarded as too vulgar or drunken for the 19th century ladies and gentlemen.

Twelfth Night had been celebrated as the end of the Christmas season since, at least, the Middle Ages and this was a tradition that needed to change to serve the new tastes. Twelfth night combined the elements of the Christian Epiphany (visit of wise men to the stable) and the end of the twelve days of pagan feasts, based on the Roman Saturnalia and centred around the Winter Solstice.

Revels associated with Twelfth Night had disguises, role-reversals (upon which the pantomime dame may be based) and the election of a Master of Ceremonies, who had the power to impose punishments for those who failed to obey him. This character could be the Lord of Misrule or, more often, the Bean King.

Traditionally the King (and Queen) was chosen by the discovery of a dried bean in a twelfth night cake. (Later to become a sixpence in a Christmas Pudding).

Twelfth Night cakes were elaborate and became more so towards the middle of the century. They

had already incorporated a layer of marzipan from the previous century.

So elaborate did they become that confectioners and pastry cooks would fill their windows with the most highly decorated displays and competition amongst tradesmen became very fierce by vying for trade. (This was the beginning of decorating shop windows at Christmas).

The windows became almost a tourist attraction and an annual tradition arose. But so did a less popular tradition.

Because men and women wore clothes that were so long and full, young boys would sneak upon onlookers and nail their clothes to the windows. With no police on the streets there were little or no penalties. (Watch out when you are on Totley Rise).

By the end of the 19th century, with the introduction of the Bank Holiday Act of 1871, people had more restricted Christmas holidays and the customs of Twelfth Night disappeared or like the cakes became transferred to Christmas. The only Twelfth Night tradition we observe today is leaving the decorations up until the 6th of January.

Mike Williamson

*If you want to be original be yourself,  
no two people are alike.*

## SHEFFIELD EMPLOYMENT BOND.

Totley Residents' Association was privileged to place £200 into this bond in 1999. No doubt many other individuals in this area also placed some money in this scheme to help those who are unemployed in the area. We were very glad, therefore, to hear some of the successes, which have been achieved. For example "Rebuild" are working on homes in the Manor Estate for local people and have almost completed the first 12 units. About 20 workers have been engaged on this project.

"Reclaim" is another example. In this case there are 25 people employed and, after a serious fire, the firm might have ceased to operate but for a loan from the Bond. Other examples given include a cafe in London Road and help with work at Heeley Millennium Park.

The T.R.A. contribution was only a very small fraction of the 3/4 million raised by the Bond but it is good to know that some positive benefits have accrued.

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## SENSIBLE OR SOPHISTICATED? by Alan Faulkner Taylor

Like Topsy our English language "growd".

During the time when I was employed as Chief Photographer and head of English Steel Corporation's Film Unit, I would employ a number of newsreaders, such as Frank Phillips and Richard Baker, to speak the commentaries for our films. When foreign language versions were required, such as French, Italian, Spanish and Portuguese, I would always allow a further three or four seconds to elapse after the end of every paragraph in order to accommodate the additional length of time required for the foreign language. Even then, on many occasions I would have to call a halt to the recording of the commentary because the foreign language would overrun the allocated length. I would then re-write the paragraph and ask the foreigner (I would always select a national, rather than an Englishman) re-translate.

English is essentially a "shorthand" language: we have a word for everything. However, for some words, foreigners have to use several words to describe the same object. Take Germans as an example: for an chamberpot, po, "guzunder" and pi..... - I'll avoid using the crude description, the Jerries would use a long multiple word such as: das unterbettgesunter, or something similar. (For readers of the younger generation, a chamberpot was a bowl, made in a ceramic material, that would be placed under one's bed; this would mean that rather than walk to the toilet in cold weather, one would simply pull the pot from under the bed and then "do the necessary". Before the Second World War, central heating in the home was virtually unknown. Specially-made bedside cabinets were available: the top half containing a shelf, the bottom half a cupboard to contain one's potty). "Potty" also means silly!

But why, in English, are so many identical objects or verbs described by several different words - all meaning the same thing? For example, take the verb "amaze": astonish, astound, confound, perplex, bewilder, daze, stagger, stupefy, take by surprise, strike by wonder, petrify by wonder; all have precisely the same meaning. I find myself amazed and bewildered!

Then what about two words pronounced in the same way, but spelt differently and with completely different meanings? A building can be "razed" to the ground, yet the act of constructing a building can be referred to as being "raised". A hole can be "plugged": filled in, yet - going back to the pre-War American gangster movies "plug" means to shoot a hole through a man's body with a gun. A "place" can be a spot, a locality, a street, a residence or an abode; a "plaice" is a variety of fish.

Pronunciation is another matter: "yacht" is pronounced "yot". Before the Second World War (or was it after the War?), a joke circulated about a Frenchman who was struggling hard to learn English; he was walking along a London street and looked up at the banner advertising the film "Cavalcade" - the message read: 'Cavalcade - Pronounced Success'; the Frenchy went back to his hotel bedroom and shot himself!

The Americans both pronounce and spell words differently from us. Of course, there's the usual "tomayto" and not "tomarto", as we pronounce tomato. Then the Yanks call our biscuits "crackers" and our sweets are their "candies". On the other hand the Americans spell words in a more logical and easier way than we do: they spell our bank cheque - "check"; they spell our rifle - "rifel"; our centre is their "center". Unfortunately the Americans are responsible for obscene words being used regularly by our young people. It's one thing uttering the F-word as everyday usage between men when swearing at one another in the workplace, but not from boy to girl in everyday life.

The "mongols" of Hollywood are mainly responsible: firstly starting with "frigging", then developing into the fullblown F-word. It wasn't long before British film-makers followed - even the staid BBC - in many of their crime and drama programmes. The late Sir John Reith (the first director-general of the BBC) would have turned in his grave, or if cremated, his soul would have writhed in anguish, to listen to such obscenities. The nine o'clock watershed is utterly meaningless in the day of the videorecorder: whilst their parents are out at work, youngsters of today can so easily view the programmes during daytime. It's not surprising that they so readily use the F-word. Recently my wife and I were watching an American film that I'd recorded: a small boy, some 6-7 years old, was standing in a darkly-lit corridor - looking at his dad and said: 'F... you!'. I immediately switched off the video and my wife and I returned to reading our books.

On the other hand the Americans are quite sensitive over some matters: instead of our "arse" (backside), they'll say "ass". We say "titanium" (the metal) yet the Yanks pronounce it "tightanium".

I have written the following story to illustrate differences in the American way of spelling and syntax, compared with ours. I've also made a number of deliberate mistakes. I wonder if you can spot the correct from the deliberate? No prizes for correct answers!

*As I manoever my baby's pram through the old streets and the splendor of the anshent city of Ephesus, I am marveling at the sheer bewty of my husband's torso, his blond hair and neat-trimmed mustache. He paused the edge of a water-filled pool, stripped his T-shirt, removed his sandels, dropped his trunks - to stand only in his swim trunks. He then dove into the water, knowing from previous experience it to be two meters in depth.*

Then what about the pronunciation of some placenames by the Scots? Milngavie is pronounced "Mulgie", Ballachulish is pronounced "Ballahulish", Kirkcudbright becomes "Kirkcoobry". But how in Heaven's name do the Scots pronounce Lesmahagow (a town some 25 miles south-east of Glasgow)? I've yet to find a Scot who can give me the answer. One bone of contention is the pronunciation of Tyndrum, the hamlet some 12 miles north of Loch Lomond: the locals pronounce it "Tiendrum", but I know one Scot (who lives in Greenock), calls in "Tindrum". Then, of course, Greenock is pronounced "Grennock".

Perhaps, at sometime in the future, we Brits will rationalise (or "rationalize" if you prefer it) our spelling and make it easier. That'll be the day!

### 1<sup>st</sup>. TOTLEY SCOUT LOTTERY

#### November Results

1<sup>st</sup>. Prize Theatre Tickets

No. 21 Mr. & Mrs. Parker, Sunnyvale Road

2<sup>nd</sup>. Prize £10 voucher

No. 13 Mrs. B. Casson, Baslow Rd.

(Sorry I do not draw the numbers, Peter.)

#### December Results

1<sup>st</sup>. Prize Christmas Hamper

No. 54 Mr. & Mrs. Davies, Totley Hall Lane,

2<sup>nd</sup>. Prize £10 voucher

No. 43 Mr. & Mrs. Stephenson, Sunnyvale Rd.

## Classic Bargains by Hugh Percival.

Most Thursdays I go into town on the bus. It's cheaper than using the car (Only 33p each way for a senior citizen) and it is environmentally friendly.

Usually I go into the publishers outlet on the Moor to look for any books that take my eye. I am always intrigued by the shelves displaying classics at 99p each. There they stand in paperback; Shakespeare, Dickens, Jane Austen, the Brontës, Antony Trollope, Thackeray, George Eliott, Oscar Wilde, Henry James, Hardy and others. What a feast of literature. What bargains.

I have a full set of Dickens' books in hardback at home so am not tempted to buy a paperback of his work. They were kindly left to me some forty years ago by a cousin known as Aunt Maud. As I look at the titles I think of the treat awaiting any new readers. 'Dombey and Son' with Mr. Toots helplessly in love and writing letters to himself from anyone with a semblance of importance; Cousin Feenix, sublime aristocrat, ambling aimlessly as though his legs were on castors; Bunsby, the tamer of the dreaded Mrs. MacStinger, Carker with the prominent teeth meeting his just retribution for his evil deeds; Dr. Blimber's glasshouse of a school and the education of Mr. Toots and Paul Dombey; the Game Chicken, knocking Mr. Toots about the head each week for a retainer; and the awesome Mrs. Pipchin, playing hostess to the infant Paul at the start of his education. 'The Old Curiosity Shop' with Little Nell whose death a nation mourned; Dick Swiveller of the 'Grand Apollos', exponent of the telling phrase 'Sorry, sorry in the possession of a Cheggs' on bidding a final farewell to a girlfriend; The Marchioness, that diminutive slave to Sally Brass and unsung heroine; and the single gentleman sleeping double.

Just two books out of a collection that includes 'Pickwick Papers', 'Oliver Twist', 'David Copperfield', 'A Christmas Carol', 'A Tale of Two Cities', and 'Great Expectations' among several other original works.

The books are full of a host of inimitable characters; Mr. Pickwick, Sam Weller, Mr. Jingle, Sargeant Buzzfuzz, Bill Sikes, Fagin, Jack Dawkins the Artful Dodger, Mr. Bumble, Wackford Squeers, Mrs. Nickleby and her neighbour the devine lunatic in small clothes, Mantalini Vincent Crummies, Daniel Quilp, Mrs Jarley, Mark Tapley, Mr. Pecksniff, Sarah Gamp, Scrooge, Mr. Micawber, Dora Spenlow, Mr. Barkis, Betsy Trotwood, Traddles, Mr. Krook, Miss Flite, Mrs Jelleby, Little Dorrit, Sidney Carton, Jeremy Cruncher, Miss Havisham, Uncle Pumblechook, Mr. Jaggers, Silas Wegg and Jasper. The full list is much longer and all of them originals. Some of the names will be familiar to people who have never read Dickens.

Dickens is my own favourite but I am not immune from the delights of other classic authors. They are all great writers otherwise they would not be included in the classics section. Emily Brontë's 'Wuthering Heights' is a near perfect work of art and a great love story. Another favourite of mine is 'Goodbye Mr. Chips' by James Hilton which is a classic in my opinion. I am certain it will stand the test of time. As the 'Star' advert says - get your hands on a copy. This is easier said than done. I have not seen a copy at any bookshop and the book is probably

out of print in this country. Borders, a bookshop in London, have ordered me a hardback copy from the United States but I have not as yet received it. I have seen a few copies in secondhand bookshops.

What is a classic? My dictionary defines it as a work of recognised excellence - also as a writer of recognised worth.

The term seems to apply to an author rather than to an individual book. My own thought is of a work that moves the reader to tears or to laughter.

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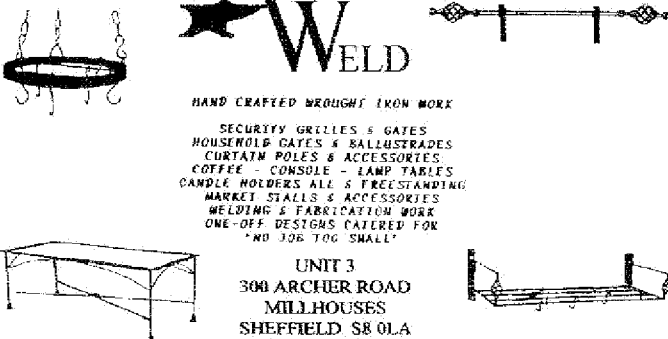


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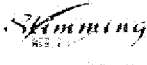
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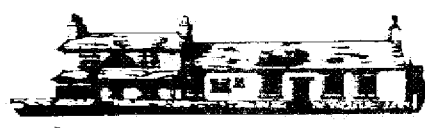
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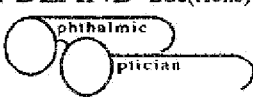
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### JANUARY 2001

**TUES. 16<sup>th</sup>. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**, Rev. M. Loft, Totley Rise Methodist Church 2.30 p.m.  
**TUES. 16<sup>th</sup>. TOTLEY TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD**, Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall, 10am. "A day in the park at Chatsworth and Alhambra Palace" Mr.K.Willis.  
**WED. 17<sup>th</sup>. WEDNESDAY FRIENDSHIP**, Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall, our own Minister, Rev. Chris Kirk, 8p.m.  
**TUES. 30<sup>th</sup>. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**, Devotional, Rev. C.Kirk Totley Rise Methodist Church 2.30 pm

### FEBRUARY 2001

**FRI. 2<sup>nd</sup>. QUIZ NIGHT**, Totley Primary School, 8-00 p.m. Everyone Welcome. Tel. 236 7811 for further details.  
**SAT. 3<sup>rd</sup>. LEONARD CHESHIRE HOME**, Bridge & Supper, Short's, 6 Ashfurlong Drive, Dore, Tel. Jackie Short 0114 236 7491 for further details.  
**TUES. 13<sup>th</sup>. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**, "My Year as Mayoress" Mrs.C.Heslop, Totley Rise Methodist Church 2.30 p.m.  
**SAT. 17<sup>th</sup>. SHEFFIELD BACH SOCIETY CONCERT**, 7-30p.m. Sheffield Cathedral Full details inside.  
**TUES. 20<sup>th</sup>. TOTLEY TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD**, Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall, 10am, "First Right Second Left" Mrs.J.Henshaw  
**WED. 21<sup>st</sup>. WEDNESDAY FRIENDSHIP**, Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall, 8p.m. "A Visit to the Galapagos Islands" Mrs.Alice Haworth  
**TUES. 27<sup>th</sup>. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**, "Cutlers Co. & Feast", Mrs.J.McDonald Totley Rise Methodist Church 2.30 p.m.

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