



Holmfirth Conservation Group Newsletter - July 2017

During July HCG will be applying for grant funding from Capacity Building Grant and when that has been granted will be appointing a Heritage and Conservation Consultant and Public Relations Consultant who will provide the support HCG needs to ensure its Conservation Area Appraisal (CAA) will be adopted by Kirklees to forge a Management Plan for Holmfirth. We hope the work with consultants will begin in early August. Thank you to all our supporters and all our members who took part in the survey of the Conservation Area and also the writers who contributed to the chapters in the CAA. The scale of your work and the standard of it is exceptional. HCG is confident that the work of our community impress and will yield the result we all hope for.

Members of HCG enjoyed a picnic in Victoria Park with other community groups from Holmfirth and beyond on June 18th to commemorate the life of Jo Cox and her enduring message, "There's more that unites us than divides us." The Hope Bank Café Band provided the live music for the event, see photo below. Thank you to the organisers and to the band who worked to bring groups and residents together. There is no doubt that in Holmfirth and The Holme Valley groups work collaboratively to make things happen.

HCG has just begun to work in partnership with the Local History Group which is part of Holmfirth Civic Society. The Local History group has approximately 15 members and 6 active researchers who have been responsible for researching and publishing a series of interesting books about Holmfirth and the Holme Valley. HCG thanks Pam Cooksey and Alan Tinsdeall for making this partnership possible and to those involved with Discover Huddersfield who have been so encouraging. Together HCG and the Local History Group are working towards 4 trails of discovery around Holmfirth for delivery during the summer months of 2018 and led by stewards who will direct you and given you the history of the focus of the trail. If you have an interest in the history of Holmfirth, its buildings, its culture and historic events and would be interested in volunteering to join a team of stewards, please register your interest now by emailing HCG at Holmfirthconservation@outlook.com.