



## August 2017 Newsletter

HCG spent a busy month in July interviewing Conservation Area Consultants and Public Relations Consultants. Subject to a successful funding application, we will be working with Eddie Booth of the Conservation Studio. Eddie was formerly a Conservation Officer with Calderdale so he knows this area well. He has also worked for and with Historic England so he is an ideal person to guide us through the process of a successful Conservation Area Appraisal.

HCG will be working with Erika Maybury of the Holmfirth consultants Worthington Brown and will bring the benefit of local knowledge and local contacts to spread the word for HCG.

If all goes according to plan, we expect to start working with the consultants in September but we will keep you informed on our progress.

The design of the Interpretation Board which will be located near the Th'Owd Genn opposite Brambles is complete, as is the design of the accompanying leaflet. Our thanks go to the team, who worked hard liaising with Kirklees and Holme Valley Parish Council, searching for the ideal board design and local history research. The trail will be enjoyed by thousands of people over the years.

The launch of the board will coincide with the National Heritage Weekend. There will be two guided tours of the route, morning and afternoon of the 10<sup>th</sup> September. Booking is essential at [Windows on the Past](#). Free leaflets will be available at Holmfirth Library, shortly. Thelma Walker our local MP will be joining us to 'unveil the board,' on the day.

HCG has a close relationship with the community group Holmepride because both groups are concerned with the appearance of our town. There are two footpath clearances planned, 17<sup>th</sup> September and 8<sup>th</sup> October. Both events are held 10 am until 1 pm. For more information and also to register your intention to join, contact Win Harrison at [win\\_harrison@hotmail.com](mailto:win_harrison@hotmail.com) or alternatively go to their FaceBook page.

Win has opened a Just Giving page to raise money for basic equipment for the cleanups which are ongoing throughout the year. His target is to raise .£500 and he has already reached £365. For more information, please contact Win.

In the meantime, please come along with HCG to help Win of Holmepride to clear a footpath. It is a pleasure to see two community groups working together to improve the appearance of our town.