



HEADON CUM UPTON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Produced by the MILLENNIUM COMMITTEE

Welcome to the fourth edition of the Village Newsletter! We start this month, with a big thankyou to everyone who helped plant spring bulbs on the grass verges between Headon and Upton on 31st October. A very encouraging twenty-one brave souls turned out to volunteer their services. The Millennium Committee would also like to extend a particular thank you to Mark Oxenbury who so kindly donated the bulbs, we are most grateful to you, Mark!



CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

Carol singers are planning to tour the villages on Thursday 17th December, starting at 6p.m. at Nether Headon. Everyone is welcome to join in anywhere en route. Money raised will be divided between Save the Children Fund and Headon Church.

On Sunday 20th December at 3.30p.m., a special Christingle service for children will be held in Headon Church. Please come along and bring all your family.

A GREAT EVENING OUT FOR ALL THE FAMILY

On Friday December 4th, the Keepers will be coming to Headon Church to entertain us with songs, poetry, dance and a Mummers Play, all with a Christmas theme. This will be a similar event to the one held in December last year, which was hilarious and much enjoyed by adults and children alike. So, please make a note in your diary, and mention the date to all your friends and family.....we hope to see you there!

After the entertainment, there will be refreshments, also with a Christmas theme, in the Village Hall. Tickets can be bought at the door, but it would help our catering arrangements if they were bought in advance from Chris or Beatrice McGlen (248187), or Janet Landon (248282). Tickets are £2 for adults and £1 for children.

Please join the Millennium Committee at Headon Village Hall on Saturday 12th December for a Christmas Coffee Morning, starting at 10a.m..

There will be a raffle, bring and buy stall, bric-a-brac, craft stalls along with the coffee, mince pies, scones etc. The Coffee Morning is in aid of the Millennium Green Fund with which the Committee hope to purchase our own, permanent Village Green. Please, please do support this event. If you are unable to attend, donations as raffle prizes or items for the bring and buy and bric-a-brac stalls will be greatfully received.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Parish Council, in conjunction with B.D.C., are proposing to erect street signs. To enable the P.C. to reach decisions on names, your views are sought. Money to erect the signs is now available, and we feel it would improve services to our village to have directional signs:

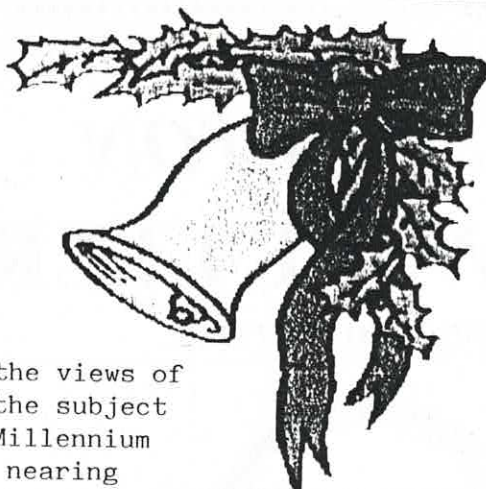
HEADON:

Ladywell Lane
Thorpe Street
Greenspotts Lane (Hillcrest to Retford Rd)
Upper Headon Street (Thorpe Street to Hillcrest)
Yew Tree Road (between Headon & Upton)

UPTON:

Main Street (Town Street)
Askham Road
West Fields

Please let any Parish Councillor have your views by 30/11/98. Next P.C. meeting is on 2nd December, 7.30p.m. at Headon Village Hall.



SURVEY

The survey into the views of local people on the subject of the proposed Millennium Village Green is nearing completion. Thank you to everyone for their welcome and for taking part, and apologies for repeat calls. A simultaneous survey on improvements to the Village Hall was also conducted. The details of these projects are:

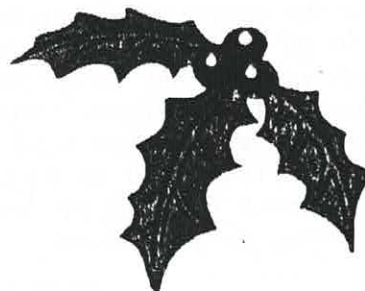
To acquire a field to be a Millennium Green. A Millennium Green can fulfil a variety of functions e.g. a small country park, an environmental trail, a play area, woodland, green space for community events. There are two possible sites for this green. There is a ten acre field in Upton which borders Brigg Lane and the Beck, and has exciting possibilities as a small country park/environmental trail. The owner has agreed, in principle, to sell it to the village. The other site, which Mrs Hailsford has very kindly offered to sell to the village, is the field behind the Village Hall. This is a two acre field, and could provide a different type of amenity. There would be space for an environmental trail, but its greatest advantage would be its potential as a play area and extension of the Village Hall grounds, enabling it to be used for community functions.

GREAT NEWS is that the countryside commission has approved our application for a grant towards the Millennium Green. The work lies ahead, both administrative and physical, but the end result will be well worth while, and a great asset to our village. Of course, all offers of help will be very gratefully accepted.

Improve the Village Hall and increase its use as a community centre. As we all know, the villages lack any real focus for community life, and the hall could fulfil this need. When the School was purchased for the village, it was with the intention that it should provide a variety of facilities for the entertainment, recreation, education and physical well-being of all the inhabitants of Headon and Upton. It is a very valuable resource, and the Committee would like to see it achieve more of its potential.

Next year is the centenary of the opening of the building as a school, so it would be wonderful if some positive improvements could be achieved for its centenary as well as for the Millennium. Twice the reason to do something! Many things are possible, and now the Village Hall Committee seeks your views on how to accomplish these, both in terms of the appearance of the hall and uses to which it might be put.

Thanks again to everyone taking part in the survey!



CAN YOU HELP?

The Landon and Mosley families are organising a large family reunion in July of the year 2000. A lot of visitors are expected from Canada, U.S.A., New Zealand and all over England. All of them will need accommodation for three nights. Can anyone offer bed and breakfast or just bed, for these three nights? It seems a long way off, but it isn't really. If you think you may be able to help, please contact Janet or any other family member.

NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER.....

The Millennium Committee is pleased to welcome Bob Champion as the new member, taking over from Ruth Cauwood who was unable to continue serving on the committee, and has sadly resigned recently. Thank you for all your efforts Ruth, and for the offer of continued support. It is much appreciated!

BULK REFUSE COLLECTION

The next collection in Headon will be on December 5th.