MINUTES OF THE WEDNESDAY GROUP MEETING HELD ON 1ST OCTOBER 2014

Present: Ann Black (Chair), Maureen Brierley, Gwyneth Collins, Josie & Peter Cowden, Sheila Doyle, Val Gebbett, Margaret Gee, Monica Gee, Nella Lewyckyj, Pat Pover, Mary & Bro. Philip Revell, Sylvia Shaw (minutes), Nuala Shepley, Harry Sweeney, Chris Wild, Keith Winston

Apologies: Fr Don, Edmund & Jean Ashworth, Marie Davies, Ann & Derek Ivison, Colin Johnson, Eileen Lonergan, Judith & Roy Martin, Evelyn Matthewman, Joan Mitton, Colleen & Peter Whittam

The first part of the meeting was taken up by Mike Brown of the Heritage Centre who gave an enthusiastic presentation with illustrated slides on 'What the Howard's have done for Glossop'. He informed us of how Glossop had become part of the Howard estate as part of the dowry of Alathea Talbot when she married Thomas Howard Duke of Arundel in 1606. The first hall In Glossop was built by Standish Howard around 1729 which became Glossop Hall in 1850. The family left Glossop when payment of death duties made tenure of the hall no longer viable. It was demolished in 1958. Mike described the estate and boundaries, local connections and all the building undertaken by the family including a branch railway line, the market hall, a mechanics instate and the waterworks at Swineshaw. His talk was filled in with interesting anecdotes. At the end of the presentation Ann Black thanked him on behalf of the group and gave him a donation for the Heritage Centre.

Matters Arising:

- a) NMA visit. Felt to have been a good day with a lot to fit in. Worth two trips!
- b) Pat Pover's coffee morning. Raised £392. Received a lot of donations and sold items on the Sunday. There was feeling it was mainly the Wednesday Group that had supported the day and purchased items. Some discussion about alternative ways to raise money without any resolution.

Windy Harbour Lunch

To date 22 names on list to attend.

Any Other Businesss

- **a)** November Shared Table in celebration of St. Charles Borromeno's feast. Everyone mentioned what they would be contributing towards the table.
- **b)** Christmas Fair. Date not known yet. Val willing to organise WG's stall bric-a-brac etc., Nuala offered to run a tombola stall. Would welcome any spare gift bags for prizes.
- c) Birthdays. Chris and Sylvia thanked group for cards. Cakes at meeting to celebrate.
- **d)** Baby Loss Week. Event on Wednesday 15th October at All Saints Church. Val will ask for mention of details in weekly newsletter.

Agenda for next meeting to be held on 5th November

- 1. Apologies
- 2. Matters arising a) meal at Windy Harbour
- 3. Christmas Fair arrangements
- 4. Meal at Golf Club 18th December
- 5. Treasurer's Report
- 6. 'Christmas Crackers' and refreshments
- 7. Date of next meeting

The main item of the meeting will be a talk by Mary Revell on the impact of WW1 on Glossop.