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**Notes of the meeting held on Thursday  
29 October 2015**

The meeting opened at 7.30 pm.

**Present:** 9 members

**Apologies:** 1 member

**1. Declarations of Interest**

None declared

**2. Introduction and Welcome**

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting.

**3. Approval of minutes from the last meeting:**

The notes of the meetings of 24 September 2015, were approved as a correct record.

**4. Matters Arising**

The revised leaflet inviting new members was read and agreed. We agreed to print the new leaflets in time for the Christmas Switch on.

In respect of the 'Welcome to Ossett' sign at Sowood bends. This has not yet been put in place.

The appeal against the decision about the request to replace the windows at the Temperance Hall at Illingworth Street with pvc windows has yet to be held and will take some time to be heard.

The Neighbourhood Improvement Fund application for hanging baskets was submitted but it has been turned down because the Council can no longer commit to watering the baskets. We are exploring whether there are any solutions to the watering problem with Yorkshire Water.

The interpretive board for the Ossett pinfold is being finalised.

**5. Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer reported on our finances. Trays have been purchased for carrying cups of tea and coffee to support the Organ society.

**6. Chair & Secretary's Report:**

Historic England has published a heritage at risk list. There is detail on their website: [www.HistoricEngland.org.uk/risk](http://www.HistoricEngland.org.uk/risk)

That the Christmas Lights Switch-on is going to be on the 28<sup>th</sup> November. We are going to have a tombola and plenty of gifts are needed for the tombola

**7. Ossett Related Events:**

We had an OCT meal out on Thursday, 15 October at the Greek restaurant.

**8. Newsletter and website:**

If anyone has any interesting information to go on the OCT website, let the Chair or Secretary know.

**9. Planning matters:**

There was flooding in Ossett yesterday due to the rain. This will be reported to the relevant Council officer. It is many years since the sludge vacuum has been round the town centre.

**10. Roads and Parks:**

There is a proposal for a shelter to be put into Green Park where the basket ball hoop between the hoop and the hedge. It was reported that if it is an issue that the shelter cannot be seen, the hedges will be shortened. We expressed concern about the proposed siting of the shelter and will communicate with the Council on this.

**11. Social Calendar**

We are planning a meal out at Gandhi Spice on 17 December and another visit to the Greek restaurant on Tuesday, 16 February.

**12. Other Business:**

There is a petition going round objecting to the proposal to close the Royal Mail parcels area in Ossett, which means that the nearest pick up point would be Batley.

**Date of Next Meeting:** Thursday, 26 November 2015

**Dates of meetings for 2015**

24 September	29 October
26 November	

**Dates of meetings for 2016**

28 January	25 February and AGM
25 March	28 April
26 May	30 June
28 July	25 August
29 September	27 October
24 November	