**GLOSSOP GUILD - CHAIRPERSON'S NEWSLETTER : AUGUST 2023**

Dear Member,

Late summer greetings to all members and supporters. After an initially very dry early Summer we had a real dowsing of rain in the last 2 months, but I hope you managed to find some sun here, and that you were able to dodge forest fires and unbearable heat if you went abroad.

Many people enjoyed our summer outings, which touched on local history and included walks in and around Glossop. We thought a lecture, followed by a guided walk or visit which illuminates the subject, proved very popular, and we hope to repeat this.

Glossop Guild continues to go from strength to strength with good attendances at our Venue and Zoom courses. This means our members and supporters have confidence in the high quality of the courses, and the high standard of presentation by our tutors.

I am pleased to say for this year, we are again not increasing any of our course fees. I do think that our courses are good value, especially if you pay our membership fee to take advantage of the reduced fees for Venue courses, and our great value Zoom Season pass.

Please find enclosed our handy course calendars for our **Autumn Venue**, and our **Autumn Zoom**, courses. You will see we have included courses on important historical people and themes. There are two courses on Classical Music, and a wide range of other courses with literary or filmic content, (including an especially engaging film, "Denial" for our Autumn film day). We have included two or three courses covering important political and social issues, too. We have also arranged for our popular "an evening with" session a talk with a retired Police Officer.

Full and complete details of all our Autumn term courses, and who our Tutors are, can be seen online at our website www.glossopguild.org You can book all our courses online using a debit / credit card.

If you prefer to book by post, please send a cheque for the courses you want to attend to our treasurer: Bill Murray, 3 Clifton Avenue, Holmfirth HD9 1AL.

If you have any queries about the Guild, or how to book etc. you can email us at glossopguild@gmail.com

Please tell your friends and neighbours about Glossop Guild, new members and supporters are always welcome. I and my committee colleagues look forward to seeing you and any new members at one of our Autumn term courses or events.

Regards Mike Webb - Committee Chair