



## December Newsletter

### Christmas Social

Please join us on Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at the Fat Cat in Alma Street for a drink and a chat. We will be downstairs from 8.30 pm onwards. It would be good to see some of you who don't usually come to meetings, and of course those of you who do.

### Volunteer roles

You may not have noticed that there are now some specific volunteer roles advertised on the website:

- Model making co-ordinator – we have a few keen volunteers in the model-making group, but we could do with someone who will co-ordinate our activities and keep us on track.
- Materials Distributor – looking for volunteers to ensure that our publicity booklets are distributed to suitable venues in the city.

### Jordan Dam

We consulted with the council on our draft planning application in October. They were generally happy with the proposal and we aim to submit the final version shortly. We have also reached an outline agreement with Yorkshire Water to access/develop the site, which is great news. The hydro team continue to liaise with the Environment Agency on abstraction issues and are also starting to look ahead to the plan design and build in more detail.

The model-making team is currently building a model of the Jordan Dam site, which we will be exhibiting in one of the empty shop windows along Pinstone St (town centre, past Town Hall, on the way to the Moor) for 4 weeks from February 14<sup>th</sup>. Do go along and have a look and let us know what you think.

### Kelham Island

The project took a big step forwards in December with submission of the planning application. Discussions continue with the Environment Agency regarding the abstraction licence. We also got our hands dirty recently moving 5 tonnes of silt to clear a better path for the water to flow away from the wheel pit. You can see photos and read more about the work day on the blog on our website.

### Website

We have volunteers working hard to develop an upgraded website. It will be easier for you to use and navigate. We will let you know when it goes live.

### Events

Electricity Generating Technologies Feed-In Tariffs 'Questions Time' debate.  
6.15 – 8.15 pm, Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, Stoddart Building (Room no. 7140), Arundel Gate, Sheffield Hallam University. Organised by Solar Active, and followed at 8.30 pm by their AGM. To register and/or submit a question: <http://www.new.solar-active.com/AGM> or telephone 0114 249 9459. QT panel includes: Mark Wells (Sheffield Renewables), Jillian Creasy, John Grant, Martin Mayer, Dr Lisa Hall.