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An interpretation board could have a QR code to a website whereby local stories from the elders could be recorded about the old days of Oakenshaw.

It could have a timeline of the magnificent history of the Monument above ground that was quite possibly upcycled in time to be a memorial for Sarah and her son with the initials of SRR being Sarah & Richard (Junior) Richardon as Richard Richardson's first born with the Roman numerals MDCCII depicting when they both died. That timeline should include significant dates in Sarah's life but also of the dates of when it was listed by some villagers who asked Kirklees for help repairing it in the 80s right through to when the Cross finally gets reinstated. Acknowledgements to villagers who have kept our history alive and reading references.

Recognition that Brontes would have in all likelihood gone past the Monument and stopped at the Inn? They had family and a benefactor in the village.

Is it feasible that Wesley preached at the Cross before the Chapel was built?

It should also record what is underneath and where those discoveries are "now"

The story of all the horses of Oakenshaw being used.

If any space then a village map of then & now with pics

The position of the Cross has to be in the same position so that the sundials work like they used to.

There is concern that having it off the road makes it more vulnerable to being vandalised and will it attract folks who want to be noisy after hours?

Where do vehicles park that want to bring people who cannot walk to be beside the Cross.

The current information board was funded by the Council. Are they really going to dig it up again using their funds to do so?

A noticeboard up there would allow residents to be updated with new findings about the Oakenshaw history as well as events happening in the village or surrounding areas.

It's important that the information offered is in a format to suit all current age groups and future ones who have yet to see the Cross for the first time.