## Hilary Cartmel and Michael Johnson Public Artworks.

## Dunston Lane Chesterfield.

'Cherish Life' sculpture for Mulberry Homes development at Sowerby Gateway, Thirsk

stainless steel, steel and cast bronze

The sculpture for the site at Sowerby Gateway was developed through a number of community engagement sessions with local residents including the secondary school, youth groups and adult writing group 'Thirsk Write Now'. Many of their images and poems were cast into bronze and formed part of the sculpture.

Hilary Cartmel 2016



Commissioned Public Artwork by Michael Johnson and of work with the theme

A Common Thread, sited in a
multicultural area of Sheffield.

The knot is used in these works as
a metaphor for the binding togethe
of the various cultures within the
community.

Knotted String refers to the
biography of Sheffield's

Harry Brearley, the inventor of

stainless steel.

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Michael Johnson and Hilary Cartmel, over the past 30 years have completed over 250 public art projects from Exeter to London to Aberdeenshire and in Southern Ireland, working with individual communities to find their stories and create an image for their site, through community engagement, often through practical art-making sessions, which have resonance and meaning, creating a sense of community cohesion. The participants' own images are often directly incorporated into the finished artwork which is fashioned with the craftsmanship skills of hands-on makers

The Mussel Sculpture. Musselburgh.
2018. Stainless steel, bronze. 3.5m high.