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After an introduction to the latest nefarious activities threatening our quiet existence as iPad users, we moved on to talk about Siri, Apple's virtual assistant. Using voice, instructions can be given to carry out assorted tasks. Examples include instructions to phone a friend, find the best route to your destination and translate an English phrase into a foreign language.

Siri and other similar systems could be said to be the precursor to machine learning or 'Al' systems now the subject of many newspaper articles. We looked particularly at Google Bard. We quickly produced a sonnet extolling the virtues of Barnard Castle and articles on the latest stock exchange results. It is important to ask the right questions and to carefully review the results. Information is drawn from the vast library of data on the internet, not all of which is accurate. With this in mind, it can still be a useful tool.

Our next meeting with be on 23 June 2023 at 1:30pm in the Dales Room at Enterprise House.