ACROSS
1. Cell is helping to get the go-ahead (8)
6. Sweepers made from brushwood? (6)
9. Penny-pinching, vacuous young son goes back to pocket money (6)
10. Big gap in short shorts Versace designed (8)
11. Island group heard to mention cases (10)
12. Mineral doused in formic acid (4)
13. World order mistakenly comes across as without cares? (6)
15. Engineers ring for curative (8)
18. Called over when signal done badly (8)
20. Cult over to open residential area (6)
21. Times of the topsy-turvy game maker (4)
23. German nobles have their own cake (10)
25. Work-shy pupil at lecture’s end succeeds one in command (4,4)
26. Dances once left out of training grounds (6)
27. Dirty mongrel found initially in South Yorkshire (6)
28. Crown protection for gondolier? (5,3)

DOWN
2. Methodologies without good backing should be flexible (9)
3. Cordial working with Troy in charge outside (5)
4. Gamble for every relative amateur (9)
5. Delicate problem needs someone who’ll please (7)
6. Platforms twice supporting royal (5)
7. At Pam’s disco dancing is intermittent (9)
8. See 14
14. What the group singing “Sugar sugar” wanted to do? (4,5,5)
16. Today’s way of keeping in touch with errand-boy? (9)
17. Approach rear of abbey to move religious works (9)
19. Is in two minds about changing musical instruments’ cover (7)
22. Young man to clean train (5)
23. One’s no hero to a child (5)
24. Regulation achieved through legislation (2-3)

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NILESMALLPRINT
DSOSYEESS
USURPSIRONAGE
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ALLENLSSBB
DUSTBILIDESAUE
EEOTMUCCL
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