

# IMPACT

ACTION IN LOCAL IMPROVEMENT

Dover is next-in-line to receive help from the Kent County Council project, IMPACT, started in 1986 to foster regeneration of town centres. Impact has just completed three year's work in Ramsgate and is about to move to Dover.

The first sign for the public may be the name IMPACT above one of the empty high street shops, which it will use as a base for three years. Thereafter Impact will be working with Local Authorities, organisations and people to find ways of improving Dover's image.

The Impact team is interested in promoting improvements to streets and public places to make them more attractive; in traffic management; in preserving heritage sites; in community action; in high quality schemes to attract investment and in sustainability.

A committee of Impact members and representatives of KCC and DDC will be set up in July and by the autumn they should be at the stage of formulating some of their targets for Dover. In each year of the project KCC and DDC will each finance the scheme with a grant of £400,000 and additional funds may be raised from other organisations.

On 9th July Julian Owen, Impact Team Leader, spoke to the Dover Society Committee and showed slides and a video illustrating the type of work successfully undertaken in Ramsgate.

On 12th October all Society members will have an opportunity to see these slides and video, to hear Julian Owen outline Impact's aims for Dover, to ask questions and to put forward suggestions. Impact welcomes the ideas and views of the local community.

This is good news for Dover!

Don't miss the meeting on 12th October at 7.30. Be among those first to hear Impact's plans for Dover and maybe suggest some of your own.

EDITOR

## Membership News

Membership £4.00 per person per year. (1st April – 31st March).

Current membership is 355, an increase of 30 since this time last year after taking into account new recruits and those who have left the Society.

While some resign for valid reasons, a few, apparently through forgetfulness, just let their membership lapse. Reminders have now been distributed – with a cut-off date of 31st July – but we will accept even later subscriptions. Please do not merely fade away: we need you all!

We will be much more effective when our membership reaches 600 or thereabouts.