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# PLANNING

Sub-Committee

Reported by JACK WOOLFORD, Chairman

While sharing Dover Town Council's resentment at not having been consulted, we welcome the improving prospect for the Heathfield Home Zone and congratulate the Council on its Protocol with Calais (which may bring in some EU money), and its promotion of the Riverside Walk with Kent County Council which we have championed since it was first proposed by the New Dover Group forty years ago.

We congratulate Railfuture for sharing our view that local buses should call at Dover Priory, the sensible location for the Bus Station, although buses from Folkestone would have to drive round the Worthington Street roundabout and back up Folkestone Road.

We think that Spoof Ltd's proposed Conker College at East Cliff is less divisive than asylum accommodation

but regret that Dover District Council did not share our (and the government's!) view that radio masts should be shared rather than new ones built as, for example, at Kearsney Bowling Club. We are also puzzled that whilst, according to the newly adopted Local Plan, Dover is not short of housing, there should be so many more planning consents for Buckland Mill, the Technical Collage, Whitfield Port Zone, Lorne Road, Westmount and Webbs. We are particularly concerned that the Foundation Stone at Westmount (1876) which contains a family scroll in Hebrew in a vase with coins, etc, must be saved and then suitably displayed in the Museum. On the other hand we have nothing but praise for the conversion of the White Cliffs Experience into a combined Library, Museum, Theatre and Adult Education Centre (parking excepted).

We very much enjoyed the second meeting of the Port Consultative Committee, much better housed in Cruise Liner Terminal 1 although our breath was taken away by an uncanvassed change of Chairman.

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS **SPRING 2003**

### SUBSCRIPTIONS PLEASE... SUBSCRIPTIONS PLEASE...

Our AGM takes place on Monday April 14th and I look forward to receiving your subscriptions of £6 single or £10 for joint members on that date. Otherwise paying by standing order is an excellent method - very helpful to the membership secretary - and I am always delighted to provide the required form. Unlike a direct debit the amount paid from one's bank account by standing order remains fixed as specified.

Due partly to Gift Aid, which now covers about 75% of membership, our subscription has not increased. Welcome news. If you are a tax payer and have inadvertently forgotten to sign, please do so, if you wish, on the application form at the end of this newsletter and send it to me. The declaration requires signing once only, not annually.

We much regret that over the past year death has claimed Mr Richard Standing, Mr Bill Breeze, Mrs Helen Johnson, Miss D. Green, Mr Arthur Aylen and Mr Maurice Miles.

Recent new members include Mr J & Mrs B Allison, Mr & Mrs P Drew, Mr B Edwards, Mr T & Mrs B Tomling, Mrs P Hackney, Mr F & Mrs D Coda and Mrs D Devalle. We hope that they will be glad to have discovered us.

Sheila R. Cope