Refurbishment Sub-Committee

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mo my mind our sub-committee's I aim is to promote good house keeping in Dover thereby making the hest of what we have. Dover has such treasures but signally fails to make the best of them. Dover Big Local Lottery Fund is now with us and has many similar aims to the Society. I would urge members to become involved even if it is only to say what you like and dislike about our Town. The web site address is DoverbigLocal.org and is worth a visit to include your comments. If you are not a computer person either phone or write to me or Alan Lee, our editor (see inside cover of newsletter for contact details).

Litter

Within our sub committee's work litter is a constant problem. We had great hopes of DDC's zero tolerance programme due to start in February but this foundered due to problems with the operator. We are due to discuss this with Roger Walton of DDC when I hope we will see some way ahead. A particular problem is litter left after 5.00 pm and unless enforcement officers are on duty then the problem continues.

Anti Social Behaviour

As to anti social behaviour please read Pat Sherratt's planning article and the Cowgate report. Dover has real problems that the authorities will only tackle if we persistently report breaches and continue to lobby. It would help if, when you make a report to police or council, you copy in Pat or myself, either by mail, telephone or email so that we can prepare an overall record.

Property Maintenance

Again I refer to the good work done by Pat Sherratt helping the District and Town Councils to enforce proper external maintenance of properties and I would suggest you look in particular in Castle Street to see the change from grotty to quality. It makes very clear the benefits of making the best of what we already have.

Footpaths

The Society's case to have the right of way between Godwyne Path and Connaught Road is now in the hands of KCC and I hope it will not be too long before we have, hopefully, a favourable decision. In the matter of the path between Bleriot Memorial and Langdon Cliffs and our attempt to create a safe footpath beside Upper Road we still struggle. I don't think KCC Highways wants to know but we will be battling on.

Connaught Pond

A thing we have long campaigned for is the repair of Connaught Park pond - I have been informed by DDC that once the tadpoles have grown and left the pond then the leaks will be dealt with -HURRAH!!!!!!

