

COWGATE CEMETERY

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Our happy band of volunteers continue with the good work of maintaining the Cemetery. We are now looking forward to the spring flowers – we see a host of primroses and a little later we hope to enjoy the orchids.

We passed on a strimmer and mower, both surplus to our needs, to Western Heights Preservation Society. A real delight to help another volunteer group and thanks to Jim Francis, original donor of the mower, for his support.

Please do contact me on 01304 211348 if you would like to join us or if you know of

anyone who would enjoy helping to maintain the cemetery.

Sessions start 9am and last until noon. The calendar for the next few months is as follows:-

Month	Thursday	Saturday
March	2nd	11th
April	6th	22nd
May	4th	13th
June	1st	10th
July	6th	15th
August	3rd	12th

Refurbishment Committee

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The matters we are dealing with include shop fronts – we do not believe empty shop fronts should be dirty and full of litter. However easier said than done to achieve much with absentee landlords but we need to keep trying.

Another concern is the way litter and domestic refuse is dealt with. It was therefore most welcome that Mandy Pile, manager of the DDC Waste Management Department came to address the Society at the January meeting (*reported in full on pages 18/19*). I was personally very pleased to hear that where refuse cannot be recycled it is incinerated and produces electricity. I came away with the idea confirmed that if there are problems, phone up DDC – how else will they know about them.

We continue with lobbying for a proper signposted walk around the Castle. Such a walk would be rather special including the old Zig-Zag and Bleriot's memorial. We hope such a walk can form part of the "Walkers are Welcome" programme.

Jenny Olpin and John Cotton continue with their regular meetings with the Police who are always helpful. Do let us know if you have any concerns you would like raised. We were sorry that Chief Inspector Barlow has now left Dover – our team always got on well with him and we wish him well in the future.

