

## *The Objectives of the Dover Society*

*founded in 1988.*

- to promote high standards of planning and architecture
- to interest and inform the public in the geography, history, archaeology, natural history and architecture of the area
- to secure the preservation, protection, development and improvement of features of historic or public interest
- and commitment to the belief that a good environment is a good investment.

The area we cover comprises Dover Town Council, Guston Parish Council, Hougham Without Parish Council, Langdon Parish Council, Lydden Parish Council, River Parish Council, St Margarets at Cliffe Parish Council, Temple Ewell Parish Council and Whitfield Parish Council.

All members receive three Newsletters a year and in each year the Committee organises about ten interesting events – talks, tours, visits, Members' Meetings and usually a Christmas Feast.

The Society gives Awards for improvements to the area, monitors planning proposals and supports, joins in or initiates civic projects and arts events.

# Editorial

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For the first time in the last year, it was very pleasing for the Dover Society to welcome about fifty of its members and guests to their general meeting in St Mary's Parish Centre.

The committee has changed the format of the meetings, having taken into account the length of time since the last meeting and the effects of the pandemic. Our Chairman, Derek Leach, opened with a heartfelt greeting and an update on the society's activities over the last few months.

Following his years of dedicated service to the Society, Patrick Sherratt was elected as a Vice-President of the Society.

Then followed the single speaker for the evening, Noel Beamish, reported on page 7. Refreshments were then taken, giving those present time for a chat with old friends. The evening closed with our normal raffle organised by Denise.

The February quiz night (details are inside the back cover) has one major change over previous years. It will be run along the lines of an American supper. This means that you will have to bring your own food and drinks. The size of each team and the format of the quiz remains the same as in previous years.

We are in need of more members to become active on the Executive Committee, see page 19. We only hold eleven meetings each year, not in August. They are usually held on the third Monday of the month from 7.30pm to 9pm.

I am pleased to report that the Co-Innovation indoor market (now Biggin Market) has found a new, temporary, home in the old MacDonald's building, 68-70 Biggin Street, in the precinct next to Gregg's. They are now trading both upstairs and downstairs offering a wide range of goods for sale at reasonable prices. Your support would be most welcome.

*Alan Lee, Editor*

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