

of 30th October 1979 with a 10p stamp and bearing a Dover, Kent postmark.

October 30 1979 was a great day for Dover, for the RNLI and for all those who had



'Rotary Service' in Lowestoft facing an uncertain future

worked so hard to raise funds for the acquisition of the new lifeboat for Dover. It was an especial day for Rotary. It surely would be a fitting tribute to all the efforts to acquire the boat if it found its way back to Dover preserved as an interesting tourist attraction and as a memory of the way in which Rotary played such an important role in providing Dover with a new craft to help police the very busy Dover Strait. Society members should welcome and support David Hannett's efforts to achieve this result. It would be a worthy tangible permanent reminder of the work Rotary does in so many aspects of life locally. We should follow with interest developments regarding this special lifeboat in Dover's history and hope sponsors can be found to secure this piece of Dover's illustrious maritime history.

Environment Committee

Janet Dagys

The Environment Committee continues to meet at the Dover smART premises, next to the Yacht Club, on the second Monday of each month. We focus on the appearance of the town, cleanliness, litter, rights of way and tourism, acting when and where we can be effective and can make a positive difference. The Dover Society includes many rural areas around the town, and we would welcome new members from these areas to have their voice heard on these topics.

Ongoing areas of interest have been the Underpass & Cannon Street, the campaign to save the Discovery Centre theatre, signage in the town centre, conservation & the state of uninhabited buildings and the Dover Priory Station green corridor.

The Priory Station green corridor has been led by member Deborah Gasking with help

from the Dover Wombles. To date, a wildflower garden has been established close to the bicycle racks (a partnership of Dover District Council, Dover Wombles and the students at Dover Technical College) wooden planters for station platforms have been built by the students at Dover Technical College and placed and filled with flowers by the Dover Wombles and hanging baskets have been added to the platforms.

We continue to liaise with our colleagues and Dover Town Council 'Walkers are Welcome' promoter Pam Brivio on walks in the town, Chris Townend (Growth & Development, DDC), Diederik Smet (Destination Dover Manager) local Kent Police and other local town, district and KCC councillors. Sarah Bradley of DDC is to attend the next meeting of the Committee and will describe DDC's Litter Strategy.