

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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Time to Renew

It seems to come around very quickly, renewal time, you can renew at our AGM on April 17th, in cash, or cheques made out to 'The Dover Society'. Or doing a direct credit to the bank. More people are choosing to make a Standing Order and then it is done automatically, yearly. Our bank details are The Dover Society, sort code 20-02-62, account no. 80864803, Barclays Bank, Dover.

Our membership remains at £6 for one person and £10 for two! A bargain indeed in these expensive times.

Not all members come to the meetings, but they enjoy reading the Newsletter, saying

that we have had some interesting speakers this year and look forward to more of the same.

Our new members since the last Newsletter are. Mr & Mrs Thorpe, Dover, Mr & Mrs Stephenson, Eire, Mrs Lorraine Tbh, Dover, Mr Stephen Horne, Dover, Mrs Carol Cunningham, Shepherdswell and Mrs Mary Francis re-joined. Our membership at present stands at 503.

We sadly heard that Mr David Brivio and Mrs June Robertson have passed away and send condolences to their family and friends. Mrs Robertson's daughter, Mrs Godfree, has taken over her late mother's membership, she lives in Portsmouth.

Environment Committee Janet Dagsys, Chair

Committee: Patsy Allan, James Benjafield, Pam Brivio, Jeremy Cope, Carol Duffield, Lesley Easton, Ben Elsey, Deborah Gasking, Mike McFarnell, Mary Margery, Alan Sencicle

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, taking action 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 Bench Street/Underpass & Cannon Street, the campaign to save the Discovery Centre

Theatre, signage on Snargate Street, in the town centre and of walks, conservation & the state of uninhabited buildings, Dover Priory Station and the Roman Painted House.

We continue to liaise with our colleague and Dover Town Council 'Walkers are Welcome' promoter Pam Brivio on walks in the town, Chris Townend (Growth & Development, Dover District Council), Diederik Smet (Destination Dover Manager) local Kent Police and other local town, district and KCC councillors. Sarah Bradley of DDC has talked to the Environment Team on DDC's Litter Strategy and Kelly Green (DDC Town Centre Manager) will talk to the team in the first quarter of 2023.

Janet can be contacted through the Membership Secretary