# 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, archæology, 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

The Annual General Meeting this year saw a number of changes take place on the executive committee. It also saw Derek Leach elected as the President of The Dover Society after a number of years without one. All changes are detailed inside of the front cover of this edition.

The various sub-committees are always ready to welcome additional people to assist in their important work for the Society. If you are interested, then please contact the relevant committee or any member of the executive committee.

The restoration of the Masion Dieu (Town Hall) continues apace. The upgrading of the Market Square area is moving forward with the awarding of a number of new grants from our local councils.

A number of events have been arranged this summer in and around Pencester Gardens, the Roman Lawn, the Market Square, the seafront promenade and the Marina curve area. Visit the revamped Kearsney Abbey, Russell Gardens and Bushy Ruff for a tranquil and pleasant day. Or explore some of the many interesting places that the town and district have to offer

We are slowly changing the appearance of our website and increasing the amount of content and information it contains. Notably is the addition of Lorraine Sencicle's series of articles "Dover's Around the World". We have also been posting more events within the calendar section. If you have any appropriate local event you would like included, then please contact the editor.

The Christmas lunch, will again, be held at the Marina Hotel situated on Dover's waterfront. A booking form can be found in the centre of this newsletter. There are a few spaces still available for the boat trip from Runnymede to Windsor, with a Ploughman's Lunch, and a visit to Savile Garden, with a cream tea, on 5th September. Please contact Rodney Stone for availability and further information.

Alan Lee. Editor

Errata - March Edition page 34 & 35 Anti-Aircraft Battery D3 Frith Farm, Guston All reference to "Nissan Huts", should read "Nissen Huts"

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