

not need to self-promote and his commanding vocal talents ensure the services he leads and the sermons he preaches are all clearly heard by those who attend St Mary-in-Castro. In his role in the church John serves Dover well and, with others, has ensured that the church continues to be an open and active church in the Diocese of Canterbury. John has contributed greatly to the continuing ministry of St Mary-in-Castro in its unique and privileged position in Dover. Long may

he continue to do so. His recent appointment as a Canon of Canterbury Cathedral is a wider recognition of his dedicated service and ministry



*John Morrison in Lay
Reader robes for Cathedral
service*

Environment Committee Janet Dagys, Chair

The Environment Committee continues to meet at the Dover smART premises next to the Yacht Club on the second Monday of January, March, May, July, September & November. Members also communicate and share information through a WhatsApp Group. We continue to 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 Dover Beacon Project on Bench Street, the Discovery Centre & the Roundhouse Theatre, the Painted House, the state of buildings in the town centre, the availability and condition of toilet facilities in the town and on the seafront, litter and the conservation of listed buildings and trees.

We have been following-up, with Crown Estates, its responsibility for the six badly rusted light poles on the seafront close to the Eastern Docks, two of which are missing a light. Progress in actioning the repairs is going very slowly! Crown Estates has initiated a project in its Capital Renewal programme, and

it is supposed to go into design in 2024.

We encourage Dover Society members and members of the public to post photos of excessive litter they see to the Dover District Council (DDC) website at forms.dover.gov.uk/xfp/form/1184

We also encourage Dover Society members and members of the public to post photos of buildings in a poor state of maintenance in the town centre on the DDC website at dover.gov.uk/Report/Report.aspx

The website passion4dover.co.uk displays many of the projects that the Environment Committee is working on and is maintained by a member of the team. If you are passionate about Dover and one of the projects on this website, please join the Environment Committee and work with other team members to move things forward.

We continue to liaise with our colleague and Dover Town Council 'Walkers are Welcome' promoter Pam Brivio on walks in the town, Jayne Miles (Town Centres Manager, Dover District Council), Chris Townend (Growth & Development, Dover District Council) local Kent Police and other local town, district and KCC councillors.