



Dover Town Council

Newsletter Winter 2020



Dover Town Council wishes you a happy and safe Festive Holiday

Covid has not been allowed to stop Christmas - the spectacular and unique Dover Fire Garden event was free for locals to attend and for those unable to get tickets a film will be available on the DTC website. The Town tree was put up in the Market Square on time and as usual with over 6000 brilliant blue and white lights. The High Street is a magical winter wonderland with giant snowflakes decorate the whole High Street and moving snowflake shadow patterns projected in the Market Square and outside Maison Dieu House. Our local shops and businesses need your support to survive and thrive. Please try to shop locally, safeguard jobs in the Town - and help ensure a prosperous and vibrant future for everyone.

Christmas is set to be especially challenging this year for vulnerable groups - so the Mayor has combined some of his unused budget provisions with donations by some Councillors from their Ward Grant budgets to provide food hampers and a bit of extra Christmas hope and happiness for those in need and struggling who had been overlooked and left out of other support schemes. We are a community that cares for each other.

As we look back over 2020 we remember especially those who have lost loved ones, our children whose education has been interrupted, those who have been made lonely and fearful as they are confined to their homes, and those who have suffered economic loss and financial hardship. We look forward to the new year, new vaccine, resuming normal life and working together to get Dover back on track!

News and Events - The Highlights!

Stay Alert - Control the Virus - Save Lives

We are on track to deliver the Town Council Ambition Plan 2019-23 - but it's not set in stone and we always welcome constructive comments and ideas to make Dover even better. The Plan is on the website for you to look at. Contact us and let us know what you think!

Brexit seems bound to bring disruption to the Town. The Council has been lobbying hard behind the scenes for more consistent and stronger enforcement of the protocols in place to ensure lorries queue in an orderly way. This will ensure local people can go about their daily lives and no-one will die because emergency vehicles can't get to them in time.

Destination Dover - the Town Council working with KCC and other partners has secured £200,000 for a Cycle Hire Scheme and "Parklet" green spaces in the Town to boost Tourism and help a healthy life style. More details soon!

There may still be some funding available to not-for-profit groups from the Councillor Ward Grant budget. Look at the Guidelines on our website and contact your Ward Councillor directly for more information.

The DTC office is currently closed to personal callers in line with Government guidance but you can contact us by phone, email or post. For the latest local Covid-19 help and information go to doverdistrictcouncil.gov.uk or call 01304 821199.

Want to find out more?

Town events and visitor information - see www.destinationdover.org and the Destination Dover Facebook page.

All Council meetings are open to the public. Meeting Agendas and much more about Council services are available on our website, on our notice boards, or to view in our offices.

Your Council - Your Town

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