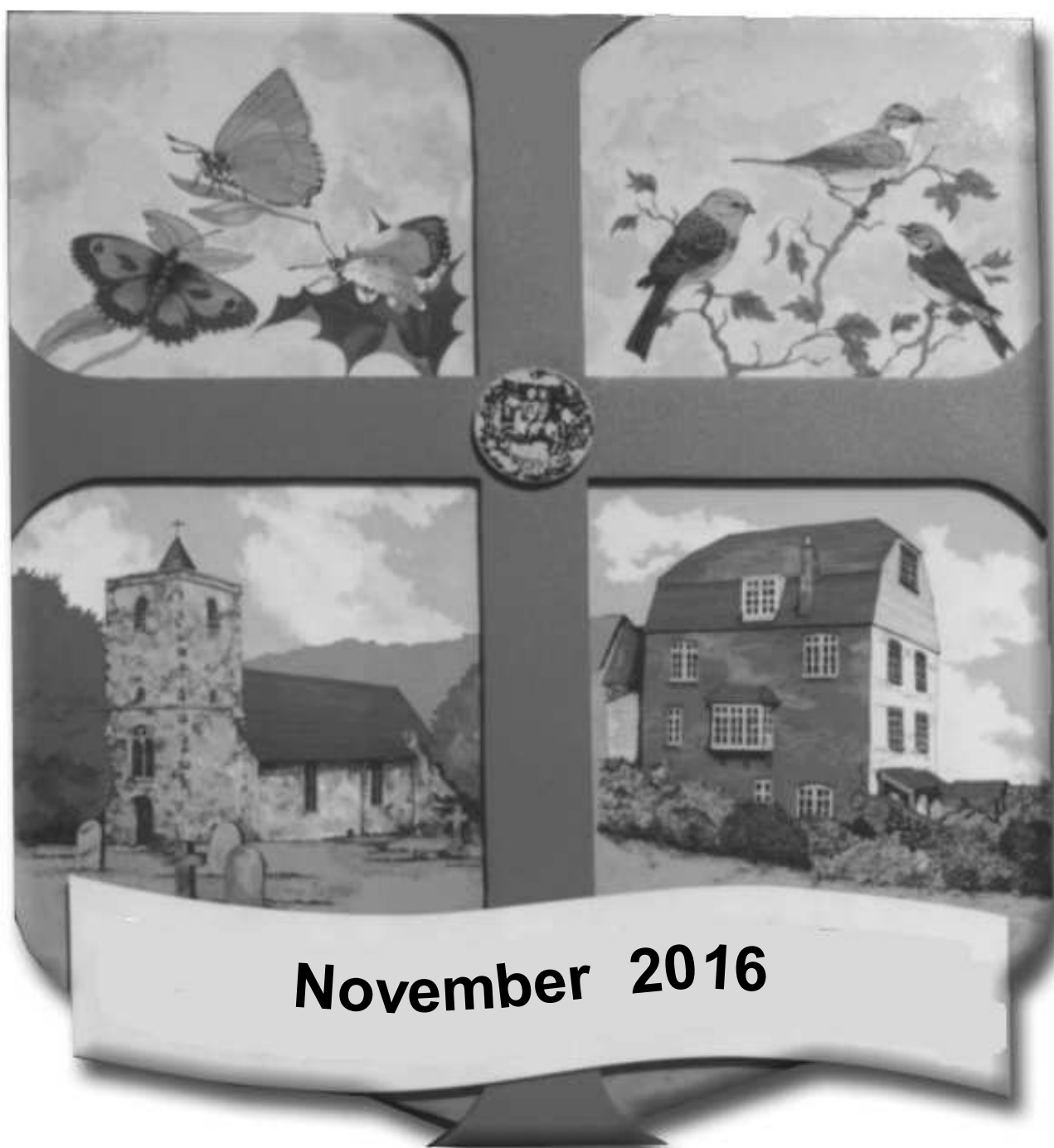


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Hello Everyone

Autumn is now well and truly with us, with it's dark evenings and chilly mornings, and already I am longing for Spring. But then I never was a 'Winter person'.



We are being told that we should not to be lulled into a false sense of security by the unusually hot September weather and the mild autumn so far (at the time of writing).

Apparently thermometers are about to plunge amid predictions of crippling snowstorms and major whiteouts lasting into February. Experts warn to expect a very 'exciting' December even hinting at the possibility of a White Christmas this year. After several mild and wet winters 2016 will buck the trend with the UK now facing the coldest and snowiest for at least six years.

I think I might just hibernate!

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We welcome all contributions to the content of the Newsletter, but please remember that the deadline date is 8pm on the 15th of the month; and remember there is no January edition.

NOTE: You should be aware that articles are also published on the website www.tenews.co.uk - please inform us if you want any part of your article withheld from that particular medium.

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PCSO GRETTEL MAY

I can be contacted on **07772 226209** for any issues that you'd like to discuss with me. **Gretel.**





Village Diary 2016

November

Thurs 5	Coffee Morning in the Village Hall
Tues 8	Parish Council Finance Committee Meeting 7.15pm in the Baptist Church Hall
Thurs 10	WI Meeting in the Village Hall
Thurs 17	Coffee Morning in the Village Hall
Sat 19	Church Bazaar 2pm in the Village Hall
Tues 29	Parish Council Meeting 7.15pm in the Baptist Church Hall

December

Thurs 1	Coffee Morning in the Village Hall
Sat 3	Bingo and Tea Afternoon St Peter & St Paul and St Mary's Lydden
Thurs 8	WI Meeting in the Village Hall
Thurs 15	Coffee Morning in the Village Hall
Sun 25	CHRISTMAS DAY
Mon 26	BOXING DAY
Tues 27	BANK HOLIDAY
Thurs 29	Coffee Morning in the Village Hall

DON'T FORGET TO LET US HAVE YOUR DIARY DATES FOR

2017

January

Mon 2	Bank Holiday
Tues 31	Parish Council Meeting 7.15pm in the Baptist Church Hall

February

Tues 28	Parish Council Meeting 7.15pm in the Baptist Church Hall
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March

Tues 28 **Parish Council Meeting** 7.15pm in the Baptist Church Hall

April

Fri 14 **Bank Holiday**

Mon 17 **Bank Holiday**

Tues 25 **Annual Parish Meeting** 7.15pm in the Baptist Church Hall

May

Mon 1 **Bank Holiday**

Mon 29 **Bank Holiday**

Tues 30 **Parish Council AGM** 7.15pm in the Baptist Church Hall

June

July

August

Mon 28 **Bank Holiday**

September

October

November

December



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- No ripped or stained clothing

The weight is converted into cash for the school.

If need be we can arrange a collection of items - please ring the school on 01304 822665 and we will organise this.

Items need to be at school by 9am on Wednesday 9th November as the collection is anytime from then onwards.

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Brownies

On 25th September I went to Cudham Guide/Brownie Event. It was a long time on the mini-bus. I went with the Eythorne Brownies. Our first event was tent building in a wood with a tarpaulin and string. We had teams of five and it was very hard.

After that we went o a scavenger hunt around the woods. Then we did something really weird - we had to pick plastic insects out of a bucket filled with slimey goo!

We had to make a paper cup next, using origami, and fill it with water as many times as we could and put the water into a bucket. My cup lasted for three journeys. Next we had a craft session and I made a bracelet. It is awesome - it was the best part. Then we had lunch. We toasted marshmallows over a tealight and put it between two biscuits to make a smooore.

Finally I made a bracelet out of stinging nettle stems threaded through a wooden bead and put it on. I did all this to get my 'In the Woods' Paw badge.

Nicole

We have been doing our Autumn Paws badge over the last four weeks. We have been to Dragon Wood to look at leaves and shapes in the wood, have planted bulbs in pots and taken down the sunflowers and put the heads out for the birds to eat, and have swept leaves in the Baptist Church entrance. We have also done some bark rubbing on trees near the church, and made a collage of leaves and flowers and put it onto a card to make a picture. We've also traced leaves from the garden and put them on the wall inside the hall. Next we will celebrate the Hindi Festival Divali by making a candle collage and card and painting candle holders.

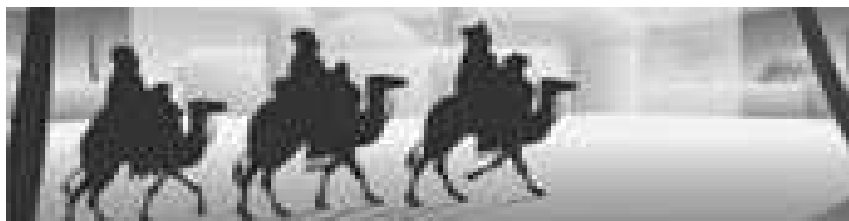
Daisy, Delphi, Fleur and Willow

In August we went by bus to Dover Museum and upstairs we saw the massive polar bear. It was a seaside themed day and we coloured in pictures of sea horses and did puzzles etc. We also had a look around and did the puzzle in the Bronze Age Boat room. In the Victorian room we wound up a machine to make electricity. Afterwards we went to the park, had our lunch and played on the swings and roundabout. The we had an ice lolly, which made a mess, and came home on the bus.

Nicole and Willow

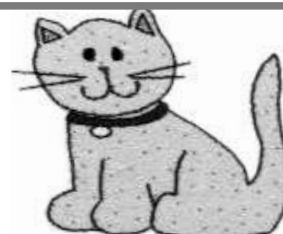
Christmas Preparations - a light hearted warning

1. All members of the congregation planning to dash through the snow on a one horse open sleigh, going over the fields and laughing all the way, are advised that a Risk Assessment will be required addressing the safety of an open sleigh for members of the public. This assessment must also consider whether it is appropriate to use only one horse for such a venture, particularly where there are multiple passengers. Please note that permission must also be obtained in writing from landowners before their fields may be entered,
2. To avoid offending those not participating in celebrations, we would request that laughter is moderate only and not loud enough to be considered a noise nuisance.
3. Benches, stools and orthopaedic chairs are now available for collection by any shepherds planning or required to watch their flocks at night. While provision has been made for remote monitoring of flocks by CCTV cameras from a centrally heated shepherd observation hut, all users of this facility are reminded that an emergency response plan must be submitted to account for known risks to the flocks.
4. The Angel of the Lord is additionally reminded that, prior to shining his/her Glory all around, he/she must confirm that all shepherds are wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment to account for the harmful effects of UVA, UVNB and the overwhelming effects of Glory.
5. Following last year's well-publicised case, everyone is advised that Equal Opportunities legislation prohibits any comment with regard to the redness of any part of Mr R Reindeer. Further to this, exclusion of Mr R Reindoor from reindeer games will be considered discriminatory and disciplinary action will be taken against those found guilty of this offence.
6. While it is acknowledged that gift bearing is a common practice in various parts of the world, particularly The Orient, everyone is reminded that the bearing of gifts is subject to Hospitality Guideline and all gifts must be registered. This applies regardless of the individual, or even royal personages. It is particularly noted that direct gifts of currency or gold are specifically precluded, while caution is advised regarding other common gifts such as aromatic resins that may evoke allergic reactions.
7. Finally, in the recent instance of the infant found tucked up in a manger without any crib for a bed, Social Services have been advised and will be arriving shortly!





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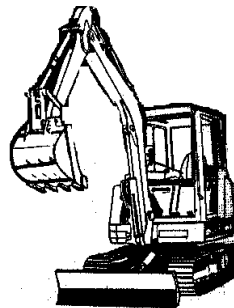
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Parish Church of St Peter & St Paul

November services – to which we warmly welcome you.

At Temple Ewell our Sunday Club meets at 10.30am during term time as advised.

Wednesday 2nd	(At St. Mary's Lydden) All Souls' Requiem Mass 6.30 p.m.
Sunday 6th	Parish Eucharist 10.30 a.m.
Friday 11th	School Remembrance Service 10.45 a.m.
Sunday 13th	Remembrance Sunday Sung Matins & Act of Remembrance 10.30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Said) for the Peace of the World 12 noon
Sunday 20th	<u>Christ the King</u> Parish Eucharist 10.30 a.m.
Sunday 27th	<u>First Sunday of Advent</u> Parish Eucharist 10.30 a.m.

(Our School's Spiritual Council will be joining us for our Wednesday Holy Eucharist on 16th at 10.00 a.m.)

**For times of midweek services, please refer to the Church Notice Board
<https://www.facebook.com/templeewellpepaul>**

In many non-material ways I often seem to receive as much as I give when having the privilege of taking the Blessed Sacrament of Christ's body and blood (holy communion) to those at home or nursing home who are no longer able to worship with their church family. However, last Christmas I was touched to be given a present by a delightful lady I have come to know well at Kearsney Manor Nursing Home. It was a book entitled 'Salute to the Soldier Poets', a collection (with many well-known names among the writers) of the moving poems of soldier poets from the First and Second World Wars. Yet among them is one anonymous Second World War poem 'Stay with me God' written on a scrap of paper and which fluttered into the hands of a British soldier sheltering in a slit trench in North Africa. It is too long to reprint in full, but here are just three verses to share for this month of Remembrance as we ponder such great loss and as we pray so hard for peace in our beautiful, broken world.

Stay with me, God the night is dark,
The night is cold; my little spark
Of courage dies. The night is long;
Be with me, God, and make me strong.

I'm but the son my mother bore,
A simple man and nothing more.
But – God of strength and gentleness,
Be pleased to make me nothing less.

Help me, O God, when Death is near
To mock the haggard face of fear,
That when I fall - if fall I must -
My soul may triumph in the Dust.

PS. Please note this year's All Souls' Day Requiem Mass (2nd November) when we remember and pray for the souls of those we have loved and still love.

Thank you so very much for such a generous record response to our Gift Day appeal – in excess of £2,000 and still trickling in!

Fr. Paul



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Letters to the Editor



We would like to hear from you. What do you want information on? Need help with something? Want to comment on a local issue? This is the place to do it!

Send to the Editor - details on page 3

Dear Readers

This is a letter ***from*** your editor.

Firstly, this month several of our regular contributors did not submit anything for the Newsletter, despite two reminders and the deadline being extended.

This meant that I have had to use a few 'fillers'. I hope you'll find them interesting, but more than that I hope you send more in next month!

It's always quite a juggling act - either there is too much to try and fit in, or like this month a shortage of articles. I hope you'll bear with me each month whichever it is.

On another matter, we had our AGM last month. Our Secretary Jacqui Axford has decided to step down, as has Ian Dean, committee member, to concentrate on their other interests. On behalf of the committee I would like to say 'thanks Jacqui and Ian' for all they did in their time with us. They will be missed.

We would like some new members to join us, so if you feel you would like to please get in touch. We are a friendly group and Committee meetings only happen every couple of months or so, so it's not too onerous.

Jeanette

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McCrae's poem inspired an American academic, Moina Michael, to make and sell red silk poppies which were brought to England by a French woman, Anna Guérin. The (Royal) British Legion, formed in 1921, ordered 9 million of these poppies and sold them on 11 November that year. The poppies sold out almost immediately and that first ever 'Poppy Appeal' raised over £106,000; a considerable amount of money at the time. This was used to help WW1 veterans with employment and housing.

Haig Fund Poppy

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IN FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders' fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place: and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders' fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe;
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Hoodening is an East Kent winter custom dating back many centuries. In its current form, a small band of villagers spend around four days before Christmas touring local pubs and private parties, performing a humorous play along the theme of death and resurrection, drinking a lot of beer, and collecting some money for charity. A new play is written each year in rhyming couplets by one of the troupe, and references to recent events (local, national and international) are frequently included, although the setting is based on a ploughing team from the 19th Century.

Over the last few years numerous other 'Hoodening' groups have also appeared in Kent. Most of these appear to be derived from Morris teams; some focus on singing, others on theatre (the scripts are often quite similar to Mumming plays, and tend not to change much from year to year).



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St. Nicholas, Santa Clause & Father Christmas.

The Man Behind the Story of Father Christmas/Santa Clause

St Nicholas was a Bishop who lived in the fourth century AD in a place called Myra in Asia Minor (now called Turkey) He was a very rich man because his parents died when he was young and left him a lot of money. He was also a very kind man and had a reputation for helping the poor and giving secret gifts to people who needed it. There are several legends about St Nicholas although we don't know if any of them are true!

The most famous story about St.Nicholas tells how the custom of hanging up stockings to get presents first started. It goes like this:

There was a poor man who had three daughters. He was so poor he didn't have enough money for a dowry, so his daughters couldn't get married - a dowry is a sum of money paid to the bridegroom on the wedding day; this still happens in some countries, even today. One night St Nicholas secretly dropped a bag of gold down the chimney and into this house which meant that the oldest daughter was then able to be married. The bag fell into a stocking that had been hung by the fire to dry! Determined to discover the person who had given him the money, the father secretly hid by the fire every evening until he caught Nicholas dropping in a bag of gold, but Nicholas begged the man not to reveal what he had done because he did not want to bring attention to himself.

However, soon the news got out and when anyone received a secret gift it was thought that maybe it was from Nicholas. Because of his kindness Nicholas was made a Saint. St Nicholas is not only the saint of children but also of sailors!

One story tells of him helping some sailors who were caught in a dreadful storm off the coast of Turkey. The storm was raging around them and all the men were terrified that their ship would sink beneath the giant waves. They prayed to St Nicholas to help them. Suddenly he was standing on the deck before them. He ordered the sea to be calm, the storm died away and the sailors were able to return with their ship safely to port.



No one really knows when he died but it was on 6th December in either 345 or 352 AD. His bones are now kept in the church named after him in the Italian port of Bari. On St Nicholas' Feast Day (6th December) the sailors of Bari still carry his statue from the Cathedral out to sea so that he can bless the waters and so give them safe voyages throughout the year.

In the 16th century in Europe the stories and traditions about St. Nicholas had become less popular, but someone had to deliver presents to children at Christmas and so in the UK he became Father Christmas, a character from old fairy tales.

In France he was known as Pere Noel; in Germany the 'Christ Kind'. In the early USA his name was 'Kris Kringle'. Later, Dutch settlers to the USA took the old stories of St Nicholas with them and Kris Kringle became 'Sinterklaas' or as we now say 'Santa Claus'!

Some countries, especially in Europe, celebrate St Nicholas Day on 6th December. In Holland and some other European countries, children leave clogs or shoes to be filled with presents and also some hay and carrots for Sinterklaas's horse.

St Nicholas became popular again in the Victorian era when writers, poets and artists rediscovered the old stories. In 1823 the famous poem 'A visit from St Nicholas' or 'T'was the Night before Christmas' was published. The poem describes eight reindeer and gives them names.

Some people believe that Santa Claus lives at the North Pole. In Finland they say that he lives in the north part of the country called Lapland. However everyone agrees that he travels through the sky on a sledge that is pulled by reindeer and that he comes into house down the chimney at night and places presents for the children in socks or bags over their beds or in front of the family Christmas tree.

From the legend of St Nicholas putting a bag of gold into a stocking comes the custom of having an orange or tangerine at the bottom of your Christmas stocking, for if people could not afford a bag of gold, a piece of golden fruit was a good replacement. Until the last 50 years these would have been quite unusual fruits and so still special!





Friday Club

By the time you read this the clocks will have gone back one hour, this is a sign that winter is on the way UGH.

When going out at night please carry a torch as it is often too dark to see when walking late, and always leave a light on in the house to deter any would be nasty people lurking about.

We at the Friday Club have been a bit quiet of late. We had a Ploughman's Lunch a couple of weeks ag, which went down well, and on 28th October we shall be having a Halloween Tea.

We would like to wish our members who are poorly at the moment a very speedy recovery.

If you would like to come along and see what we have to offer you will be made most welcome.

Until next time, it's bye for now
Yvonne



Temple Ewell Parish Council

The full Parish Council meets on the last Tuesday of the month (excluding August and December) at 7.15pm at the Temple Ewell Baptist Church Hall on the corner of the High Street and London Road. Parishioners are most welcome to attend and contribute to meetings.

The agenda and minutes are displayed on the Parish Council notice board by Southdown Stores and on the Council website. Should you wish to put anything on the notice board please contact either the Clerk or the Chairman.

Contact details for councillors are on the website:

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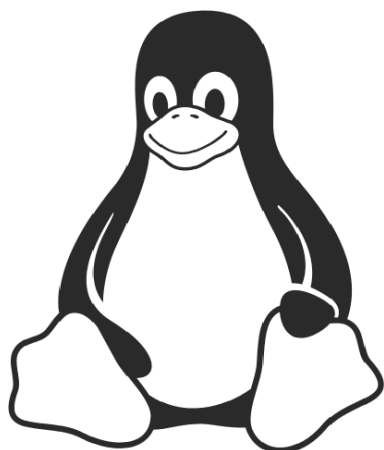
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A Country Stroll

I wandered down a country lane
And heard the patter of the rain
The squelching of my sodden boots
Amongst the grass amongst the roots
I carried on in leisured pace
And wiped the raindrops from my face
The sun came out and then I knew
The sky would turn to shining blue
I wandered on my way again
Over hill and over plain
I stopped to take a loving look
At every cranny and every nook
It was then at Mother Nature's feet
I listened quiet in my retreat
To songs of birds and humming bees
And the soft whispering in the trees
And so another day had gone
Golden memories lingered on
Of that gentle country land
The trees, the birds, the sun and rain.



The Sound of the Sea

The sound of the sea
Of the incoming tide
Invading the beach
From so far and wide

The sound of the gulls
As they fly overhead
Ships laying anchor
On the seabed

The sound of the sea
The ebb and the flow
So much is moving
Above and below

The sound of the sea
On a fine summer's day
Inviting the bathers
To have a long stay.

Poems by
John Brooks of Dover



As the parks become more autumnal, we're busy behind the scenes getting ready to deliver restoration works, events and activities.

Detailed design

We have reappointed our design team and they are now busy working on detailed plans for the restoration of the historic landscapes and structures, the new café extension and parking arrangements. We will hold an event later in the year to provide more information on the designs as they develop.

Timetable

Our architects and landscape architects will be working on the detailed designs for the next few months so that we can select a contractor early next year. Some enabling work will take place this winter but most of the work will take place after the summer holidays next year. The works are likely to take around a year to complete.



Activities and events

Our new Community Engagement Officer will be joining the team in November and will start to plan and deliver a wide range of activities and events. You can find out more about the work they will be doing here www.kearsneyparks.co.uk/activityplan

The Kearsney Quilt

After a successful first meeting, our quilting group will be holding a design workshop at 1pm on Monday 14 November at DDC offices in Whitfield. To find out more about the project please email community@dover.gov.uk



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