



Deal Town Council

Annual Report

April 2021 to March 2022



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Welcome to Deal Town Council's 2021/22 Annual Report

Message from the Worshipful Mayor of Deal Cllr Chris Turner

In May 2021, the Council's AGM was an online event. Although the virus has not gone away, the worst of the pandemic is behind us – for the moment. Constant vigilance is the order of the day, but much of town life has returned to how it was before.

Much of the core work of the Council has survived, but some timelines for Implementation of particular projects and initiatives have had to be extended.

The reports received at the Annual Town Meeting on 26 April 2022 provided a useful record of what has been achieved.

Markets: Closing the town's markets during lockdowns caused a storm of protest. Government guidelines were being observed, and all decisions about markets were subject to scrutiny by the full council.

Now it is a completely different picture! The Saturday Market goes from strength to strength. The new gazebos are a very welcome development. In addition, the Town Hall Undercroft is coming back into use for stall-holders very soon.

The closure of part of the High Street between 10am and 2pm has contributed much to the buzz that is Saturday morning in Deal.

Town Plan: One of the big projects the Council agreed back in 2019 was the development of a Town Plan. Again, we have to say that the pandemic caused our plans to be temporarily stalled, but I am delighted to say that the Town Plan is approaching the final stages of its development.

What will emerge will be the result of wide and persistent engagement with the people of Deal. It will reflect their priorities for actions and for lobbying (where the Town Council does not have the powers or the facilities to implement).

The Climate Emergency: Back in June 2019, Deal Town Council declared a climate emergency. Since then, there has been steady progress towards reducing the council's carbon footprint. At the Annual Town Meeting, Matthew Morris from STEM Sustainability reported on the progress Deal Town Council has made. He was very complementary, stating that we are among a small number of councils that have achieved so much towards a very ambitious target.

There is more that still needs to be done, but the direction of travel is most encouraging, and all the better to hear that from an external consultant.

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The Town Mayor has been busy during the last twelve months. I have attended a wide range of events, and represented Deal at a good number of civic and fund-raising occasions in East Kent.

I have also enjoyed giving recognition (and sometimes publicity) to some of the unsung heroes and heroines of this town. Those people and their organisations are what make this town a very special place.

Conclusion

This council has one more year to run – there will be elections in May 2023. My hope is that we can enter those elections with our collective head held high, able to demonstrate that we have done our best for the town and people of Deal



**The Worshipful Town Mayor of Deal
Councillor Chris Turner**

Deal Town Council & Visitor Information enquiries

Town Hall

High Street, Deal

CT14 6TR

Reception Opening Hours

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9.30am - 12.30pm

&

Saturday at the Saturday Market Union Road Car Park

9.30am - 12.30pm

Any other day/time by appointment

Tel: 01304 361999 9.00am - 5.00pm

Email: deal.town.council@deal.gov.uk

Deal Town Hall was built in 1803 and is a Grade II listed building that is steeped in history.

The entrance is situated in the charming outside Undercroft and is accessible via a large spiral staircase or lift.

On the first floor there is a large oak panelled chamber surrounded by stunning oil paintings, and artefacts. There is also a smaller committee room adjacent to this.



Both rooms can be hired for many different purposes and occasions and is fully accessible to all.

The Town Hall is also a licensed venue for Marriages and Civil Partnerships.

For further information please visit our website www.deal.gov.uk.

You can also contact the council's dedicated Event Manager, Joanne Harper on 07887491569 and 01304 361999 or via email joanne.harper@deal.gov.uk



EVERY WEEK



Union Road CarPark
CT14 6BE

8am-2pm (April - October)
9am - 2pm (November - March)



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Town Council Committee Aims

Environment

Aim: Deal Town Council recognises that we face an unprecedented climate and environmental emergency and have committed to becoming a net zero carbon emitter in our own operations by 2025. We will use our power and influence to protect and improve the environment and encourage and support others to do the same, in addition to fulfilling our statutory environmental responsibilities and complying with all legal and other requirements. We are committed to transforming Deal into a cleaner, greener and healthier and more active town.

Finance and General Purposes

Aim: To ensure that the Town Council has and maintains an effective and efficient financial system with appropriate checks and controls. To develop and propose to the council the annual budget, monitor the council's Income and Expenditure statements.

Grant Sub-Committee

Aim: To review all applications received for a Special Project Grant, Community Contributions Grant and Annual Grant.

Planning

Aim: To make representations to the Local Planning authority on planning applications for Deal

Transport & Infrastructure

Aim: To enable wherever practicable the environment and transport infrastructure and services of the town to meet the needs of its citizens.



Headlines from the Council Committees

Environment Committee

Current Environment Committee projects for 2021—2022;

- To install the overall winning entry poster of the ‘No Idling’ campaign at pollution hotspots around the town
- To continue with i-Tree mapping to assess the current tree coverage across the Deal Urban area
- To monitor air quality near schools during peak times
- To ensure the council planters are sustainably planted
- To add two additional planters or ground planting in the Mill Hill area
- To plan for priority areas 5 and 6 of the Carbon Reduction Strategy and action plan

Finance & General Purposes Committee

In addition to approving the regular financial reports the Finance & General Purposes Committee approved over £14,000 of Grant funding.

The Finance & General Purposes Committee approved Annual Accounts.

The Council received a Clear audit report from the Council’s internal and external auditors.

Projects for 2021-2022 are:

- Mayor’s Parlour refurbishment
- Repairs to the Town Hall chamber windows and roof
- Moving from spreadsheet accounting to the Rialtas accounting package.
- Move to ‘green gas’ and ‘green electricity’
- Continue to work with DDC to improve the Deal Public Toilets
- To continue with producing the Town Plan

Grants Sub Committee

As most local voluntary organisations were still unable to operate throughout the whole grant year, applications were again reduced in number.

A total of 13 applications were considered and recommendations for grant payments made to the Finance & General Purposes Committee.

Planning Committee

The Planning Committee is a statutory consultant for Dover District Council on planning applications for the three wards in Deal.

This committee makes the decision on the recommendations from Deal Town Council for these applications and consideration is always given to the environmental impact of materials proposed, the aesthetic aspects of applications in the conservation areas. These recommendations are then submitted to Dover District Council who are the planning authority for this area.

From May 2021 to April 2022 the Planning Committee has made recommendations on 199 Planning applications, 7 Tree applications and 3 Premises licence applications.

Dover District Council make the final decision on whether to grant planning permission.

Transport & Infrastructure Committee

Current Transport & Infrastructure Committee projects for 2021-22

- To ensure that the town council fingerposts are updated and refurbished
- To continue with the work creating a Highways Improvement Plan
- To continue work in improving accessibility routes in the town
- To pedestrianise the high street from Stanhope Road to Union Road on Saturdays
- Cycle Friendly Deal Phase 2
- Contribute to the Dover District Local Plan



All committee meetings take place in the Town Hall Chamber, and all are open to the public, except the Grants sub-committee.

DEAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS SCHEDULE 2022 - 2023

All meetings are held at Deal Town Hall

High Street, Deal. CT14 6TR

Council Meeting	2022												2023	
	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May		
Planning	Mon 6th 7:15pm	Mon 4th 7:15pm	Mon 1st 7:15pm	Mon 5th 7:15pm	Mon 3rd 7:15pm	Mon 7th 7:15pm	Mon 5th 7:15pm	Mon 9th 7:15pm	Mon 6th 7:15pm	Mon 6th 7:15pm	Mon 3rd 7:15pm	Mon 8th 7:15pm		
Transport & Infrastructure		Wed 13th 7:15pm		Wed 14th 7:15pm		Wed 9th 7:15pm		Wed 11th 7:15pm		Wed 15th 7:15pm		Wed 10th 7:15pm		
Environment	Wed 15th 7:15pm		Wed 24th 7:15pm		Wed 12th 7:15pm		Wed 14th 7:15pm		Wed 15th 7:15pm		Wed 12th 7:15pm			
Finance & General Purposes		Tue 19th 7:15pm		Tue 20th 7:15pm		Tue 22nd 7:15pm		Tue 24th 7:15pm		Tue 21st 7:15pm		Tue 16th 7:15pm		
Full Council	Tue 28th 7:15pm	Tue 26th 7:15pm		Tue 27th 7:15pm	Tue 25th 7:15pm	Tue 29th 7:15pm		Tue 31st 7:15pm	Tue 28th 7:15pm	Tue 28th 7:15pm	Tue 18th 7:15pm			
Other											*ATM Tue 25th 7:15pm	**AMC Tue 23rd 7:15pm		

*ATM = Annual Town Meeting - 25th April @7:15pm

**AMC = Annual meeting of the council including Chairman election - 23rd May @ 7:15pm

NO MEETINGS

Agendas are available from: Town Hall, High Street, Deal, Kent CT14 6TR
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Deal Town Council Grant Streams 2021-22

A total of £14,953.80 was paid out across 3 grant streams

Annual Grants £6,828.80

Special Projects (Supporting the Vulnerable) £4,000

Deal & Walmer Chamber of Trade (Christmas Lights) £2,000

£2,000 from the Special Projects 'Supporting the Vulnerable' budget was also moved to an 'earmarked reserve'. This reserve only to be used for supporting Ukrainian Refugees in Deal.

Annual Grants

Payments made from the Annual Grants fund during 2021-22

Organisations	Grant Stream	Amount Awarded
North Deal Community Company Ltd. (Golf Road Centre)	Annual Grants	£1,000
Deal Arts and Music Ltd.	Annual Grants	£1,000
Hi Kent.	Annual Grants	£500
Walmer Cricket Club	Annual Grants	£800
Treetops pre-school	Annual Grants	£1,000
Deal Speaking up Group	Annual Grants	£500
Deal and Walmer Allotment Association	Annual Grants	£200
12th Deal Air Scouts Group	Annual Grants	£230
Deal, Walmer & Kingsdown Amateur	Annual Grants	£598.80
Deal Film Festival	Annual Grants	£1,000

Special Projects

Payments made from the Special Projects fund during 2021-22

Organisations	Grant Stream	Amount Awarded
Inspiring People Through Horses	Supporting the Vulnerable	£875
South East Coast- Age UK	Supporting the Vulnerable	£2,000
Kent Coast Volunteering	Supporting the Vulnerable	£1,125

Income, Expenditure and Expenses

DEAL TOWN COUNCIL			<u>2021/22</u>	
INCOME and EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT			ALLOWANCES PAID	
Income	2020/21	2021/22	ALLOWANCES PAID	
Precept	£396,109	£402,166	Cllr B Bano	£300
Markets	£9,479	£30,784	Cllr S Beer	£300
Braderie	NIL	NIL	Cllr T Bond	£300
Allotments	£4,701	£7,385	Cllr S Carlyle	£300
Town Hall Income	NIL	£9,491	Cllr D Cronk	£300
Other	£240	£4,500	Cllr M Eddy	£300
Total	£410,529	£454,326	Cllr A Farrington	£300
Supporting Income			Cllr A Friend	NIL
Coastal Community Fund	£41,124	NIL	Cllr T Grist	£300
Welcome Back Fund	NIL	£63,251	Cllr C Oliver	£300
Total Income	£451,653	£517,577	Cllr O Richardson	£300
Expenditure	2020/21	2021/22	Cllr E Rowbotham	NIL
Mayoral & Civic Expenses	£482	£349	Cllr A Stroud	£300
Promoting Town	£58,332	£70,600	Cllr T Thompson	£300
Visitor Information Centre	£886	£716	Cllr C Turner	£300
Markets	£7,562	£2936	Chairman's Allowance	
Braderie	NIL	NIL	Cllr C Turner	£150
Grants/Donations	£37,244	£14,829	<i>All the above figures are taxable</i>	
Councillors allowances	£3,775	£3,600		
Allotments	£8,182	£8,143		
Salaries & Pensions	£255,838	£282,891		
Town Hall & Other costs	£72,802	£92,558		
Public Conveniences	£37,000	£27,553		
Election Costs	NIL	£5,666		
Total	£482,103	£509,841		



**Contact details of current Deal Town Councillors and
Committee Membership from April 2021 to March 2022**

<p>Cllr Ben Bano Email: cllrbenbano@deal.gov.uk Mill Hill Ward</p> <p>Chair & member of: Transport & Infrastructure Committee Member of: Environment Committee and Finance & General Purposes Committee</p>	<p>Cllr Susan Beer Email: cllrsuebeer@deal.gov.uk North Deal Ward</p> <p>Vice Chairman of Council Chair & member of: Staff Liaison Panel Vice Chair & member of: Finance & General Purposes Committee Member of: CFD management group</p>
<p>Cllr Trevor Bond Email: cllrtrevorbond@deal.gov.uk Middle Deal Ward</p> <p>Member of: Finance & General Purposes Committee, Transport & Infrastructure Committee and Environment committee</p>	<p>Cllr Susan Carlyle Email: cllrsusancarlyle@deal.gov.uk North Deal Ward</p> <p>Chair & member of : Grants Sub-Committee Chair & member of : Planning Committee</p>
<p>Cllr David Cronk Email: cllrdavidcronk@deal.gov.uk Middle Deal Ward</p> <p>Chair & member of : Finance & General Purposes Committee Vice Chair & member of: Grants Sub-Committee Vice Chair & member of: Transport & Infrastructure Committee Vice Chair: Staff Liaison Panel Member of: CFD management group</p>	<p>Cllr Mike Eddy Email: cllrmichaeleddy@deal.gov.uk Mill Hill Ward</p> <p>Member of: Finance & General Purposes Committee, Planning Committee, and the Transport & Infrastructure Committee</p>
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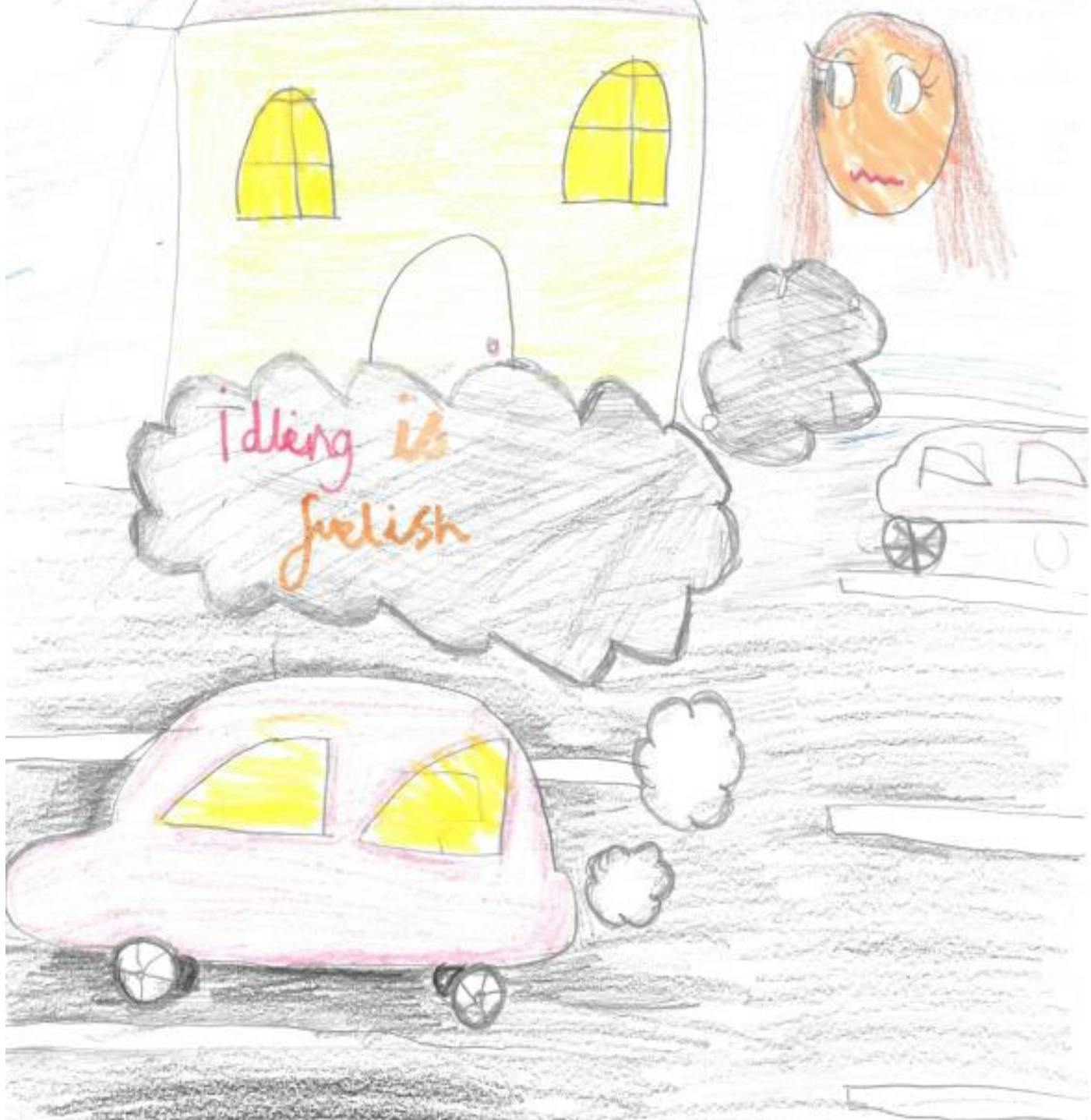
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<p>Cllr Abigail Stroud Email: cllrabigailstroud@deal.gov.uk North Deal Ward</p> <p>Vice Chair & member of: Planning committee Member of: Transport & Infrastructure Committee</p>	<p>Cllr Thomas Thompson E: cllrthomasthompson@deal.gov.uk Middle Deal Ward</p> <p>Vice Chair & member of: Environment Committee Member of: Transport & Infrastructure Committee and the Finance & General Purposes Committee</p>
<p>Cllr Christopher Turner Email: cllrchristurner@deal.gov.uk Mill Hill Ward</p> <p>Chairman of the Council: Ex officio status (automatically has a seat on any of the council's committees)</p> <p>Member of: Planning Committee</p>	<p>For further information please contact</p> <p>Deal Town Council Town Hall High Street Deal Kent CT14 6TR Tel: 01304 361999 Email: deal.town.deal@deal.gov.uk</p>



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Eloise Pugh - Sandown Primary School

Winner of the Environment Committee No Idling Competition