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Hello everyone,

I do hope you all made the best of Christmas and the New Year. I did get to speak to my family on Christmas Day. Quite exciting really, 16 of us managed to catch up on Zoom. The joys of modern technology!

It will soon be time to think about planting your Sunflower seeds again, let's see if this year we can get a record number growing around the area. I hope I will be able to present a prize for the tallest grown, one prize for a young person up to the age of 12 and a prize for an adult.

In these strange times it is a real task getting articles together for the Rural Roundup as nothing of any consequence is happening. I am most grateful to the faithful few who send information and stories in.

Hopefully things will eventually get back to near normal and we will be able to have printed copies once again, Having it online has worked well but not quite the same.

All this time we haven't charged any of the advertisers for displaying their adverts so when we start again perhaps many of them will support us to help with the cost of the printing each month.

All the best to everyone, stay safe. Doreen

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Over the Christmas and New Year period, councillors have met three times, twice in open session (14<sup>th</sup> December and 11<sup>th</sup> January) and once in closed session (30<sup>th</sup> December).

At the first December meeting, Mariya Deschamps was formally co-opted to the Council, and councillors re-emphasised the need for additional co-optees to make themselves known to the locum clerk. A lot of positive work has been done but there is still a lot more to be done. Council agreed to take on an HR company to provide independent advice on personnel issues. Members also noted a proposed revision of the allotments tenancy agreement and a scheme of publications and a schedule for the disposal of documents, both of which are requirements of the Data Protection legislation.

In the closed session, the locum clerk briefed members on discussions she had had with the Council's HR advisers, who would provide template letters and policies as required.

At the January meeting, councillors agreed the Council's Code of Conduct, a Grant Application policy and a revised application form, as well as a policy on public participation at meetings. A programme of meetings for the coming year was approved, based on meeting the second Monday of every month.

The dates of the Annual Parish Meeting and the Council's AGM would be agreed subject to Government advice. The revised allotments tenancy agreement was approved and a risk assessment for playground equipment was agreed. It was also agreed that the Council's post should be redirected for the more efficient administration of Council business. The Council's Highways Improvement Plan is begining to develop.

The locum clerk has been working hard on the Council's finance and there was a budget meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> January.

The council is working with its IT provider to get the new website up and running and probably to provide the Council with proper .gov.uk email addresses.

Cllr Mike Eddy

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Well, a tardy **Happy New Year** Writing again in another lockdown it's not easy to look ahead. It was easier, of course, being cooped up in the Spring and Summer.

The garden is crying out for

some love and attention. My husband probably is, too. Which shall I choose? They both have their good points!

As I write this in January our garden is in desperate need of a cleanup (I won't mention my husband in that context!), but some hardy lovely plants are already blooming. Camellias and hellebore are looking gorgeous. The snowdrops are blooming and other bulbs showing their promise for the future.

Things to do in the garden in February include: Transplanting dormant shrubs; cutting down deciduous ornamental grasses before the new shoots appear; pruning late flowering clematis to healthy shoots 30cms from the ground; pruning buddleia and elder to the base; sprinkling slow release fertiliser round roses and shrubs.

And so much more. Then...tidy up, tidy up!! Can't wait to reclaim the garden from the gloomy wet Winter!

Last year I neglected to cut back my ornamental grasses in time so the old and new shoots were all mixed up and difficult to cut back. Will I practise what I preach this year...?

I read somewhere that "planning, preparation and planting" give us hope for the future. So true!! There is a new Garden design programme coming to BBC2 in February called "Your Garden Made Perfect". It looks stunning in the trailer, but I understand they use virtual reality to show you what your garden **could** look like. I'll take a look, but if you don't get good honest dirt under your fingernails it sounds like cheating to me!

It is getting lighter every day! Spring **will** come! This dreadful is pandemic, that we will never forget, **will** pass.

Oooh! And order some seeds. Can't wait to do more seed sowing and less mask sewing!!

Teresa Ellis



#### The Carol Singing that did not happen!

Thank you to everyone who made a donation for the Kingsdown Carol Singers at Del's Newsagents and also to Sylvia's home address. The

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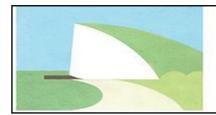
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In March or when covid restrictions allow, there will be an actual guided walk around the sites mentioned. We hope many of you can attend.

Please visit the DDC website to look at the new proposed local plan out for consultation starting January 20th for 6-8 weeks. There is a lot of information but we are sure most people will be interested to know what will happen in Kingsdown and Ringwould. Not all pleasant reading!

The committee sends our best wishes to everyone and hope that you are able to stay safe and know that there is light on the horizon re vaccines against this virus. Hopefully soon someone will also invent a spectacle spray to stop glasses steaming up when wearing a mask! But seriously look after yourselves and others by abiding to the regulations and helping our NHS survive.

Longer days, warmer weather and Spring is on the way! Alison Sharvill secretary@kingsdownconservation.co.uk

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Unfortunately, we had to close the school for most of December, due to a COVID outbreak- which impacted on all of the classes. The virus spread across staff and children, but luckily everyone recovered over the Christmas period and was fit and well by January, and that is the most important thing.

Since January, we are back in lockdown- although the number of children in school is significantly higher and as a result all staff are in school every day. I am particularly proud of the families at home as many of them are juggling home schooling, work and keeping children entertained. We have introduced a weekly zoom catch up for the children at home, which is great fun. We play games, dress up and share news.

Of course, we are really looking forward to the time when all of the children can return to school again, lets hope it is not too long!

#### Staff Changes

Maggi Bowden will be leaving the school in February, to spend more time with her family, especially her beautiful grandchild.

Maggi has been part of the school office team for many years and ensures the smooth running of the school, whilst also welcoming new families and dealing with poorly children.

We are going to miss her greatly but wish her all the best for the future.

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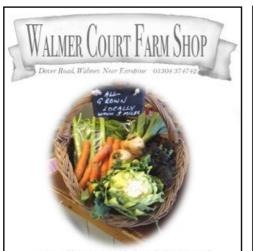
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Ripple Parish Council does not meet in January so there are no 'highlights' to report. However, we did meet via zoom with KCC to discuss our HIP (Highway Improvement Plan) and are pleased to be making progress with KCC in looking at ways to make improvements to the Mongeham road junction such as signage to inform drivers they are approaching a crossroads.

#### Lockdown

Please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk or any Councillor if you are isolating, shielding or vulnerable and require help, whether it be shopping or collecting a prescription, please do let us know.

#### **Parish Council Meetings**

It is unlikely that physical meetings will take place for the foreseeable future. We understand that some of you may have questions for the Parish Council but are unable to attend the zoom meetings. You can email or telephone the clerk your question/s or any issue you would like to raise.

# The dates of the next three meetings are: 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021, 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Meetings start at 7.00pm. Please email the clerk if you would like a zoom invite. Email: clerk@rippleparishco.uk Tel: 01304 364 406
Stay safe and well. Councillors and Clerk at Ripple Parish Council



As many members of **Mongeham & Ripple WI** do not have access to a computer it makes it very difficult to keep in contact with everyone.

To celebrate the WI's 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday, each member was sent a tea bag and a small packet of biscuits each which caused a giggle!

Most members have been self-isolating but with the help of family and friends have been finding ways to occupy the hours.

Following a Spring Clean and having found a bag of old clothes and a Hessian sack I am having a go at making a Rag Rug. Both house plants and wild birds are benefitting from the extra time and care being given to them!

Now most of us 'old urns' have received a vaccination, it gives us all hope for the future, especially when Spring is on its way.

If any member needs an ear to bend, I am always here for a chat.

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Notes from the Zoom meeting held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020

Playing Field: The new bench and picnic table have arrived. Doug Vickers has kindly agreed to fix them in place as soon as the weather is good enough.

The Council is still hoping someone will be able to help mend the donated bench.

The bird spikes have been received. Thanks to Cllr Willet for installing them.

*Precept/Budget:* The Councillors discussed the revised draft and agreed to increase the precept figure by 1.99% or to £13,149 whatever is the lesser of the two figures once the tax base figures are added to the calculation.

*Planning:* The Councillors considered three planning applications and noted several DDC planning decisions. The planning log is up and running on the website for parishioners to check local applications. Various possible breaches of planning were reported and updates received from DDC.

Allotments: The new plots have been allocated and agreements returned. The Council is very pleased to see that the area is looking so good and congratulated Cllr Little and the allotment holders for all their hard work.

Orchard: The Council discussed the list of ideas which had been circulated and agreed the suggestions of open days in each season were a good idea to increase the community involvement at the site. To go on the agenda again for January.

The Council expressed their gratitude to Doug Vickers who has been instrumental in cutting back the brambles at the back of the orchard.

It was agreed that it would be a good idea to get the fruit trees professionally pruned in January with quotes to be organised for the January meeting. The Council also plan to discuss topping the trees in the allotment and orchard at the next meeting.

Community jobs: Cllr Densham had kindly topped up the salt bins around the parish ready for any bad weather and a new salt bag has been applied for from Highways.

Correspondence: i) MIPROW. KCC (Restricted Byway EE492 at Sutton) Definitive Map Modification Order 2020. Reported to the meeting.

Kent Police Survey. The annual policing survey has been launched. Details to go on website.

Census March 2021. Councillors to read the circulated information. To go on the February agenda.

The next meeting Venue and time to to be confirmed. Susan Smith, Clerk to the Council



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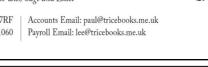


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Highlights from several meetings of Walmer Parish Council held during December 2020, January and February 2021 via Zoom Video Conference.

**Resignation:** The Parish Clerk resigned and left the council at short notice following her appointment to a new post at a larger local Council.

Steps have been taken to replace her as speedily as possible with advertisements in local papers, on the council's own website and on the websites of organisations which support local councils.

Members were delighted to appoint Councillor Mrs Sue Le Chevalier as the unpaid Acting Clerk until a replacement has been found.

The chairman, Cllr Murray explained that because the Acting Clerk was working less hours than the previous Clerk, capacity was somewhat diminished and therefore the Council's work would be prioritised in order to facilitate the best service possible for the residents of Walmer.

Some committee meetings would be postponed but any time limited projects or proposals from those committees would go straight to full council.

Members heard that the combination of the Christmas break and difficulties arising from the Covid-19 Lockdown had caused delays in some council projects including the mortgage loan application and the outline planning application for affordable homes to rent for young people of Walmer in the disused playground at York and Albany Close.

Cllr Beer (as a District Councillor) briefed Members on a Dover District Council food poverty project and the Deal Town Council cycle friendly project.

**Planning committee:** Cllr Herring briefed Members on the apparent inability of DDC enforcement to take action on damage or destruction of trees which should be protected by Tree Preservation Orders.

**Budget:** Members confirmed the budget for 2021-2022 and approved the details of the precept demand which would be sent to Dover District Council.

Members received the Independent Internal Auditor's interim Audit Plan with Comments and Finding for the year ending 31st March 2021 and consider any action necessary. They resolved to note the excellent six-monthly internal audit report and Councillors thanked staff for their work.

**KALC:** Members agreed to nominate Dr Paul Adlin, Artistic Director of the Deal Music Festival for the annual KALC Community award.

The award is made to an individual or group who have made an outstanding contribution the likes of Walmer and Dr Edlin was nominated on behalf of his colleagues for the amazing work they have been doing to introduce music to people of all ages in the parish, many of whose only previous musical activity would have been following the pop charts.

**Co-option:** Members heard that three people have applied for the vacant Councillor posts and that the Human Resources committee will begin the selection process as soon as practicable.

Members agreed to instruct solicitors to carry out the legal work of transferring ownership to the council of a strip of land in Station Drive, Walmer which has been donated to the Council.

The nxt meeting to be announced.

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Station Rd is an extremely busy feeder road to and from Dover Rd to a large number of dwellings. A new development, Miller's Crossing, is nearing completion and Dover District Council have now given planning permission for a development off around 100 houses near the end of Station Rd..

A significant number of families moving into these new homes are likely to need to access the Dover Rd. at its junction with Station Rd to travel to and from Dover, Deal, Canterbury and elsewhere.

Approximately 100 yards from the junction with Dover Rd there is a gap in the double yellow lines with room for only two or three cars and the restrictions also end on the other side of the road.

The inevitable result is that vehicles park on both sides of the road leaving room for only one vehicle at a time to pass which creates bottlenecks for traffic both leaving and approaching Dover Rd which can then affect traffic moving along Dover Rd towards Deal.

The result is frustration for drivers, delays and the cause of these problems is a small gap of around 20 yards in the yellow lines painted on the road on the southern side of Station Road, with space for only two or three cars to park.

"We believe that the loss of just three car parking spaces is a small price to pay for the overall improvement in traffic movement, the removal of a frustrating bottleneck and the reduction of harmful Carbon emissions in this short stretch of road," explained Councillor James Murray, chair of Walmer's planning committee.

Now the Council as requested has agreed to fund the work and has Kent County Council's Highway Department's permission to include this proposal as a

priority on their list of traffic improvement projects - The Highway Improvement Plan (HIP)

The proposal has already received support from Stagecoach South East whose spokesman explained:

"This bottleneck often causes delays to buses as they, and other traffic, have to navigate their way around parked vehicles and the proposed measures will assist us in our drive to improve punctuality of our services. For







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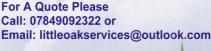
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After seeing the memorial while walking on the Freedown Chris Abbott, a keen model maker, has recreated in 1:32 scale, a stunning model of one of the Sopwith Camels pups which was based there.

Now Chris has made more than 100 aircraft, mainly bi-planes as they apparently are the most challenging to build, and is inspired to make each, either by researching a specific pilot, or an airfield which the original aircraft flew from

In this case, Chris researched the career of pilot J.A.Shaw who flew the Sopwith 'Pup' for the Walmer Defence Flight in and around June 1917 from the then Naval air base at Hawksdown.

He told Rural Roundup: "I was inspired during my first visit to Bringing history back to life in miniature

The memorial to World War 1 flyers which Walmer Parish Council installed on the site of the former airfield at Hawksdown in Walmer, has inspired a local model maker to create miniature copies of some of the actual aircraft that flew from the site.





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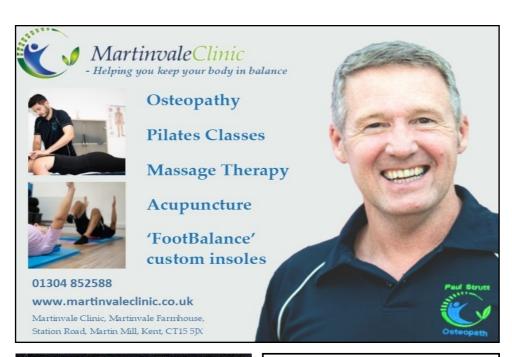
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and moving memorial".

#### St Nicholas Church Ringwould

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The easing of restrictions and good weather over the stay-at-home summer resulted in a variety of situations for the station's Atlantic 85 Donald McLauchlan and D Class Duggie Rodbard II.

These ranged from numerous people being cut off by rising tides, vessels taking on water, others with engine difficulties taken under tow and assisting kayakers, fishermen and inflatables drifting with tides being unable to return to shore



unaided. Safety advice about the dangers of tides, currents, carrying a means of communicating with the shore and the wearing of appropriate lifejackets was given on many occasions.

The year wasn't, however, all about rescues. The station also celebrated a twenty-year service award made to one of our helms, two crew members being passed out as helms and a further two completing assessments and being passed out as competent crew.

Within the RNLI's guidelines some exercises were still able to continue but when further restrictions were imposed training was arranged via Zoom.

As with many other stations the year also saw the closure of the station shop with the consequent loss of revenue. Most of the usual fundraising events such as our annual Car Wash, Car Show and Open Day had to be cancelled. However, with the support of our local community a lot of money has been raised, notably through the continued success of the Betty's 5p Pots scheme which has been maintained with businesses in town and even during lockdown raised £2200, and most recently a Christmas Tree chipping which raised nearly £1300. Added to this are a number of cheques from generous donors. Our lifesaving work could not continue without this support.



(The above photo of Alison with Jim Moir (aka Vic Reeves) was taken pre-Covid.)

At a recent Management Group meeting held over Zoom, Alison Stone announced her intention to step down from her position as Fundraising Chair for Walmer Lifeboat. Having lived in the town in the 1950s she and her husband relocated back in 2012. Her parents had been supporters of the Institution so she decided, after dropping in and having a chat in the station shop, to volunteer for a role.

After a couple of years attending Fundraising Branch meetings, she was invited to take on the position of Secretary, becoming Chair three years later. In her eight years with the station Alison has been

involved with organising and attending innumerable events helping raise thousands of pounds for the RNLI. Her dedication led to an Excellence in Volunteering Award and attending a celebratory dinner at London's Guildhall. Mrs Stone said 'Although I have resigned from my position as Chair, I will continue to support and raise money for the RNLI. I've never regretted a moment of my time being a part of Walmer, Deal and District RNLI, and getting to know and work alongside its wonderful volunteers, both on the 'wet' and 'dry' sides.'



### Steve Manion Kent County Councillor (Dover North)

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KCC Member Report, Happy New Year to readers

Pandemic, again we face lockdown to control the virus. Statistics that I have seen, seem to indicate that levels are falling across the district. Despite this there still seems to be high levels. As part of the control there is a testing site starting. I have undertaken the symptomless testing and received a negative result in about 30 minutes. Guidance is to keep having these tests every two weeks.

The Vaccination Programme seems to be gaining pace. With testing, vaccinations, as well as social distancing, we can control this disease.

Brexit transition. Allies to this the recent HGV crisis. Although the vehicles have mostly gone. KCC is working with DDC to clean up the road-side rubbish. KCC collected some 1,400 bags of rubbish from the M20.

There is pressure at many levels to prevent the repetition of gridlock which was caused by French changes to immigration controls.

Budget for 2021/2022. Still many pressures arising from the pandemic. Squeezed from both sides. Rising prices and rising demand. Falling incomes. just under 2% rise with additional 3% earmarked for Adult Social Care to assist the most vulnerable members of our community.

Consultation has indicated that such measures have broad support.

Stay safe, Steve Manion.

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- As it is Fairtrade Fortnight From 27/2/21 to 7/3/21 our activities will include a virtual meeting with a speaker on 3<sup>rd</sup> **March 2021** anyone interested in attending and /or wanting to know more about our Fairtrade groups please contact pambrivio@ntlworld.com .

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As you are all aware, we went in to a third period of lockdown as from 5<sup>th</sup> January and the restrictions are expected to last until the middle of February if the situation in hospitals improve. We have sought to publicise this as much as possible and are providina vou with regular updates our Facebook page. on www.facebook.com/martinandoliver. On a brighter note the council published the plans for the vaccine rollout on 11<sup>th</sup> January and they are taking place at 13 GP Centres throughout the District. All vaccinations are arranged in advance through invitation. They will be based on the national priority groups so can you please wait to be contacted for when you will get your vaccine. Rapid-result coronavirus (COVID-19) testing for people who don't have symptoms has also started in Kent. The first testing centre in the district is now open at the Dover Discovery Centre, York Street, Dover, CT16 1PH. Anyone who does NOT have symptoms and lives or works in Kent can book a test.

Formal consultation on the draft Local Plan (regulation 18) will commence on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2021 for a period of eight weeks.

All residents will have the opportunity to submit your views online and we would suggest that you sign up to the consultation portal via the following link: https://dover-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/?

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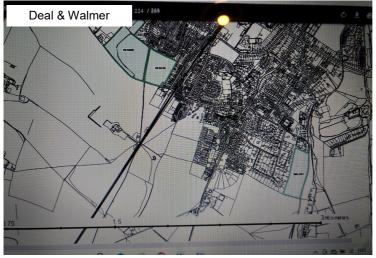
Those who sign on will be notified when the consultation commences. We finally departed the EU at 23.00hrs on 31<sup>st</sup> December. Prior to that Dover experienced a possible taste of the problems to come when the French decided to close their borders resulting in 1000s of stranded vehicles on our roads. Operations Brock, Stack and TAP were implemented and the army mobilised to help test beleaguered drivers so that they could continue their journeys. By Boxing Day most of the vehicles had been cleared allowing traffic levels to return to normal.

With respect to the government proposals to develop a Border Control Point for HGV vehicles arriving from France: Guston Parish Council remain adamantly opposed and are fighting to have the decision reversed. Meanwhile, the Department of Transport are determined to proceed. They have purchased the land and have commenced ground and archaeological testing on the site. We are heavily involved in relaying Guston's concerns to the DfT and are working in close conjunction with Natalie Elphicke MP. There were many meetings last month culminating in a discussion with the Minister, Rachel Maclean on 18th December. A formal three-week period of engagement commenced on 13th January. Notification of the process was provided to the residents along with a hardcopy of the engagement brochure that contains an indicative plan of the proposed development. A website has been set up by the DfT where any members of the public can view the proposal and submit their comments. If you would like to post your views, then we would encourage you to do so via Inland Border Facilities. The intention remains to have the site up and running by 1<sup>st</sup> Best wishes. Martin and Ollie July.

#### Local Plan 2021 - 2038

DDC have launched their online consultation on the draft new Local Plan for 2021 to 2038, and residents need to register on the DDC consultation portal to comment by **17**<sup>th</sup> **March 2021.** Below are two land allocation maps of special interest to the readers of Rural Roundup.





A local campaign group are holding public meetings on-line three Saturdays in February entitled 'Let's talk about the new Local Plan'. To which anybody can attend on zoom.

The first one will be at 2.00pm on 13<sup>th</sup> February, and on the 20<sup>th</sup> and the 27<sup>th</sup> February.

The starting point for the first session will be. How strong are the promises to protect our natural environment and climate?

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Dear Friends,

Due to the high level of infection rates in our area, the Cornilo Parish Churches remain closed for Sunday services. We hope to be able to reopen around Easter-tide. It is never an easy decision to close churches but it was the only way of playing our part to ensure the safety of all of us as the infection rate continued to rise.

But the churches have not been 'closed'. St. Nicholas, Ringwould and St John the Evangelist Kingsdown are open daily for private prayer and soon we hope to open Studdal Church Hall. Many people have valued a special place to sit in quiet contemplation and prayer.

Nor have we been just twiddling our thumbs! We sent a survey among to congregations asking for feedback. One of the questions was 'how the local church can best serve the local communities'. The results have brought in some really good ideas that we hope to put in place when it is safe to do so.

A friend of mine used to say that the Church is the only organisation that exists mostly for those who do not belong to it. So we are keen to work together with all in the community; to learn from and to support other agencies, groups and individuals, and to explore how we can work together, especially with those who perhaps think: 'church is not for me,' or 'what good is the church?'

So now is your chance to have your say and give us your opinion. Please have a look at the questions below and email your responses to: ringwouldchurch@gmail.com Or contact the parish office on 01304 366 605. or write to: Elizabeth House, 32, St. Mary's Road, Walmer, Deal CT14 7QA. We look forward to hearing from you.

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Greetings in the Lord, and our best wishes to all. The Chapel is still not meeting and there is no definite end in sight to this lockdown. I've put a bit more material into this month's newsletter. If you'd like more from Hugh Martin, you can watch me reading it Sunday evening just goon Facebook.

Don't forget we're still live-streaming or posting Sunday services morning and evening on Facebook, 10.30 and 6.30, at https://www.facebook.com/pg/Walmer-Chapel-226551017831235/posts/, and the audio sermons are uploaded to the Chapel's website, www.walmerchapel.org/lords-day-sermons\_2021.html

PS. We'll be having a ZOOM meeting hosted by Creation Ministries on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February, for 6.30 pm, the link for which is <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/">https://us02web.zoom.us/</a> i/83844169955?pwd=bXBodld6c29rQzZYK0o2M09KZ1dhUT09





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