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Welcome to September's issue of the parish magazine.

### **RIP METHODIST CHAPEL**

On September 21st, the Wesleyan Chapel will close ending 186 years of worship on that site. The building will be auctioned off and will probably end up as a posh house.

The building dates from 1836. The rear of the building—the school rooms and kitchen/toilet are slightly younger. Much was modernised in 1988. It was renamed the Appledore Christian Centre in 2000, but the old name stuck for the villagers.

In the last few years, the congregation has dwindled to 4 and Caring Altogether on Romney Marsh (CARM) also moved out to warmer, drier and more spacious premises in New Romney.

The Chapel's closure has been inevitable for many years, but it's loss will not only be difficult for the Methodists but also for the Village. The Methodists will go back to the original Christian practice of meeting in homes. The Clubs and organisations using the building are now homeless.

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It should be hoped that the Village Hall would offer these groups storage room and meeting rooms. However, it appears not. Further in the magazine is a plea from the Local history Society for room to store their archives.

The Methodist Chapel closure has been inevitable for years. Not to have taken this eventuality into consideration when the renovation of the Village Hall was discussed shows a considerable lack of foresight. Already the Village Hall is too small for the village's needs.

I know there are strong feelings about this on both sides. I hope that some amicable solution can be found and that all the homeless groups and meetings are suitably rehomed.

Ruth

### **Appledore Village Diary - September 22**

Monday Parent & Toddler Group 10am - 1pm

Monday Aerobics 6.15pm - 7pm

Tuesday Pilates 9am - 11am

Tuesday Hamstreet Surgery Prescription Collection 10.15 -

- 10.45am

Tuesday Art Club 1pm - 4pm

Tuesday Yoga 7pm - 8pm

Wednesday Coffee Morning 10-12noon

Wednesday Aerobics 6.15pm - 7pm

Thursday Pilates 7pm - 8pm

Friday Tai Chi 10am - 11am

Friday 2 September Garden Club visit to the Orangery, Chartham

1.10pm in Hall Car Park

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September APC Meeting 7.30pm

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September Lunch Club 12pm - 2pm

Thursday 8 September Methodist Farewell Service 6pm

Methodist Chapel

Wednesday 14 September Book Club 7.30pm

Black Lion

Friday 16 September TAI CHI FREE TASTER SESSION 10.15am

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September Multi Stall Market 10am – 4pm

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September Antique & Book Fair 9am – 3pm

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September Bridge Club

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September Lunch Club 12pm – 2pm

All events in Village Hall unless specified.

# THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN TENTERDEN, ROTHER AND OXNEY

## SERVICES IN CHURCH AND ONLINE DURING SEPTEMBER

**Morning Prayer** will be said Monday to Friday at 9am in Tenterden Church. This service will not appear online.

**Beginning the Day with God**, a ten-minute reflective service, will be *online only* from Monday to Saturday, from 6am.

**Ending the Day with God**, a ten-minute reflective service, will be **online only** from Monday to Saturday, from 7pm.

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated at St Michael's every Wednesday, and at Tenterden every Thursday. Both celebrations will begin at 10am, and last about twenty-five minutes.

To access our daily online worship, visit:

#### YouTube

St Mildred's, Tenterden

Online services, can also be accessed through the daily bulletin, **Con- nect Up!**.

To receive **Connect Up!** please email Lindsay or Jeanette.

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September: The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity 11am Morning Praise (Appledore) 3pm Pilgrimage to Chapel Bank (Ebony)

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September: The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity 11am The Eucharist (Appledore)

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September: The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity 11am Celtic Morning Prayer (Appledore)

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September: The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity 11am The Eucharist (Appledore)

For further details for Baptisms, Weddings and Banns or for any pastoral concerns which you would like to discuss,

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### **Letter from The Parish Church**

I am writing this as the England Women's Football Team are lifting the UEFA Women's European Cup. It is an emotional moment. In addition to many thousands of people around the country in their homes and in pubs, clubs and outdoor spaces, nearly 90,000 people are crowded into Wembley and are celebrating this hugely significant achievement.

One comment that struck me was spoken by a player, who paid tribute to the trail blazers of the past, those who fought to get recognition for women's football. This is clearly unfinished business but something which resonates with the story of women's ministry in the Church of England.

I first felt the call to ordained ministry as a teenager. At that point – in the 1980's - women could not be ordained. Before and since then, many women struggled to gain recognition of their calling. Sadly, and for some, the decision to ordain women came too late; for many other women, their initial years as clergy were fraught with opposition and sometimes even humiliation. I was ordained at a time of broad, general acceptance of women's ministry, and I am incredibly grateful for the pioneering work undertaken by so many women (and indeed men) who made the ministry of women more mainstream.

Where is all this leading? When St. Paul wrote to the people of Galatia he said, 'In Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.' (Galatians 3:26-29)

Paul was making a plea for a common humanity which overrode all tensions and divisions and all false boundaries of gender, wealth or race not least between male and female. Allegiance to Jesus Christ permits no alternative.

Football is now on a journey towards an exciting future. Last night's fantastic victory, indeed the entire Women's Euro 2022 competition, has been a marvellous catalyst of the development of women's football and indeed women's sport in general.

Let's hope that those with the power to make decisions seize the moment!

Jeanette Kennett (Rev)

	September		Church	Rota
	<u>Service</u>	<u>Sidesperson</u>	Reader/prayers	<u>Refreshments</u>
Sept 4	Pet Service	Jo	Jane/Donna	Donna/Jane
Sept 11	Holy Communion	Judith	Michael/Frances	Fay
Sept 18	Celtic Morning Prayer	Philippa	Roger H/Chris	Jo/Helen
Sept 25	Holy Communion	Donna	Thelma/Tony	Philippa
Oct 2	Morning Praise	Denise	Frances/Brenda	Donna/Brenda
	September	Church	Flower	Rota
	<u>Altar</u>	West End	<u>Porch</u>	
Sept 4	Altar Flower	West End Festival	Porch Leftovers	
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If you are unable to take your turn, please telephone Judith Clifton on 758285 or text 07840 356681-and the same numbers if you are unable to crack the code for the kitchen / Glory Hole for oasis etc.

With lots of newcomers to the village I am hoping that some might like to join the flower rota? It involves committing to maybe around 5 times a year and no skills required – just enthusiasm and a wish to be involved. Full support and training given! Why not give it a go? J.C.

#### **Appledore Methodist Church - Services in September**

Sunday September 4 – United service in the **Parish Church** 11am

Sunday September 11 – Morning worship in the Methodist Church 10.30am

Sunday September 18 – Morning worship in the Methodist Church 10.30am

Sunday September 25 – Morning worship 10.30am. Venue TBA

**Wednesday** 24<sup>th</sup> August – Holy communion service with Revd. Kevin Taylor 12noon Venue TBA

At our Sunday services in Appledore Methodist Church we listen to a short service prepared for us by the South Kent Methodist Circuit. This is followed by favourite hymns and worship songs. A minister joins us to lead our communion services on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month.



Ride + Stride for Kent Churches
Saturday 10 September

Friends of Kent Churches are again arranging this event. Half of the funds raised go directly to our own church here in Appledore and half go towards providing grant monies to any Kent church in need.

So, please consider supporting it as a cyclist or walker. We will also need help on the day with refreshments or to man the desk and greet cyclists.

Having cycled this for years now, I can thoroughly recommend it. You can choose your own route and cycle to as many (or as few) churches as you wish where you are sure to find a warm welcome, lovely refreshments and like-minded people along the way. The marsh particularly lends itself to cycling being flat!

For further information or a form to take part, please contact Fay on 758304. Thank you.



# Flower Festival Thank You

I am writing this piece two weeks prior to the opening of our Flower Festival and keeping my fingers crossed that with the worry of wilting flowers, melting cake icing and over-heated stall holders, the Bank Holiday weekend will not be quite so warm as it is today!

As in previous years, Philippa, Paddy, Jacky, and I are overwhelmed by your warm responses and kind offers of help with manning stalls, joining our music rota, stewarding, making cakes and serving teas.

A special thank to the Flower Festival Committee, our very talented arrangers (especially the newbies), the Appledore Art Group and everyone that helps in whatever compacity during the weekend. Without your continued support, this event would not be possible. Post festival, it is always a joy to read the visitors book and receive letters, calls and emails commenting on the vast number of willing volunteers that take part and the wonderful feeling of community spirit that shines in Appledore throughout the weekend.

A very big thank you also goes to our generous local businesses and patrons who sponsor the cost of the flowers, meaning any money raised goes towards the upkeep of our ancient and beautiful church, allowing it to remain open all day, every day.

For those of you that live on the street, we apologise for any inconvenience that the additional traffic may have caused. Thank you to Rona Ramsden for allowing us to use the field for car parking again and how wonderful to have an extra car park in Court Lodge Road to keep the traffic flowing!

I hope you enjoyed the children's theme this year and had fun guessing the nursery rhyme or song.

Many thanks and God Bless,

Donna x



## Appledore Flower Festival 2022

Thank you to all those who contributed and helped to make the 2022 Flower Festival so successful – supporting the church of St Peter & St Paul.

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## Parish Council Update September 2022

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#### **New Councillors and Councillors Areas of Responsibility**

The council again has a full cohort with the addition of Paula Thornton. Paula has published separately in the magazine a piece about herself.

With a revitalised crew on board, councillors have agreed to lead in the following areas. Please contact them directly about issues relating to these or any issue. Their contact details are available in the magazine. However, all councillors will be happy to assist you on any matter if they can.

Highways Roger Hiskey
Litter Paula Thornton
Footpaths Gary Kinsley

Resilience Planning Paula Thornton and Chester Lusk

Court Lodge Car park Charles Wilkinson

Recreation Ground Derek Winter

Recreation Ground Facilities Improvements Toby Davis

Recreation Ground Facilities Improvements Chester Lusk

#### 'A Quaint and Historic Kentish Village'

The council wishes to support some improvements to the village suggested by residents:

Introducing Planters at All Entry/Exit Points to the Village and along The Street

#### **Litter Picking along Village Roads**

Traffic Monitoring at All Entry/Exits to the Village

**Vegetation Management of Footpaths, Pavements and Verges Designing a Tailormade Resilience Plan for Appledore Residents** 

Every home will have recently received a leaflet about these. If everyone is able to give a little of their time these can be achieved very easily. Contact Roger Hiskey to help.

#### **Next Meeting**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30pm Village Hall.

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It may not be everyone's cup of tea but I have to tell you I was thrilled when I was co-opted on to Appledore Parish Council at the August meeting.

My working life has been spent nursing in psychiatric hospitals around the country, or in a now-defunct prison, and latterly heading up a team of 28 forensic nurses based all over the Kent.

I've lived in Appledore for almost 30 years – some of you may have seen me in the early morning picking up bits and pieces of rubbish that are thrown into the hedgerows. It's been something I've done for the last couple of years...so it's very appropriate that the parish council has 'picked' me for the job of overseeing the village's efforts to clean up the lanes. We're very lucky that we already have a number of villagers who share my concerns for the environment and many of them do their own thing in the seemingly endless battle to pick up litter. I hear that Tom, who has been the mainstay in this area for some years, is sadly unable to continue with his sterling efforts for the time being but I do hope he'll be back fighting fit soon.

It's really important that we – as a village – come together from time to time for the occasional one-off day of rubbish collecting but I would equally love to see a team of us leading the way by doing this on a far more regular footing. It doesn't have to be all of us litter-picking at the same time but it would be very useful to know how many fellow villagers would like to be part of a regular patrol but acting individually, at a time of your own choice. If you'd be drop interested in joining in, do email me an at apc.pthornton@gmail.com or ring me on 07557553626.

The other area the council has asked me to oversee is 'Resilience.' What exactly does *that* entail, I wondered? From what I have researched, the aim is to pull together a whole lot of locally-based Community Emergency Plans so that we – in Appledore – are ready to come together to help our immediate neighbours in the event that Ashford Borough Council, the utilities and/or the emergency services are delayed or over-stretched during a particular crisis.

We've all lived through the recent Covid horrors. But were it to happen again this winter, could we develop any plans to come to the rescue of some of our older and more vulnerable friends and neighbours? How would we cope here in Appledore if there was a week or two of heavy snowfall? Or a prolonged electricity shut-down? They are just a few problems that might test us and our ability to look after one another. Can we manage on our own for a time...or will we just have to rely on others to come to our rescue?

My fellow-councillor, Chester Lusk, and I have been charged with trying to identify some issues that just might be staring us in the face one day. When we've done that, I suspect we'd like to know how many fellow Appledorians would want to be part of a team to hold the fort in some sort of way, sometime in the future, until help can get through.

I know that I'll be serving on Appledore Parish Council until May 2023 when elections for all parish councillors will be held – but, until then, I do hope I'll be able to rustle up some support with my new projects!

Paula Thornton

Ed: Good luck Paula and thanks in advance for your work.

#### **Ever Thought of Writing Your Life Story?**

I for one always wished that I had talked to my parents and to my grandparents about what their lives were like when they were children, what they ate, how they dressed, the ways they celebrated Christmases and birthdays, what schools were like, how they entertained themselves - in short, how they grew up, how they were brought up. Then there were their experiences of major events of the twentieth century, if not the nineteenth, of work, of marriage, and of bringing up their own children.

As soon as my first grandchild was born (14 years ago), I determined to write my own story for him and for the others born subsequently; I also 'ghosted' and then had published my mother-in-law's autobiography *Grey Clouds and Silver Linings*. More recently, I have been leading two writing classes at the University of the Third Age (U3A) in London: "Writing Your Life Story' and 'Writers' Workshop', with everyone involved being very encouraging and helpful to each other.

None of my family ever suffered deprivation, misfortune or hardship of any kind and even though they may make for an interesting narrative, it is not necessary for a story that will fascinate your children and grandchildren. Life stories provide the younger ones of today with family background, with historical context and social interest; they can also supply some of the whys and wherefores of family life as well as the many differences and similarities over the years. At this modest level they are not necessarily best-sellers or commercial prospects in any way. But neither are they just the domaine of professional writers and you can have great fun researching and putting together something that is essentially *you*.

If anyone in Appledore would like to explore further the possibility of writing their own Life Story and feel that I might be able to help, do contact me on: rvpmemoire@gmail.com

#### Roger Parrott

Ed: I think Roger is hoping to get a group together to explore Life Story writing. Please contact Roger if you are interested.

Answers	to August	Cross	Quote	8

Α	MALTED	Н	DELIUS	0	FLATFISH
В	ABSTRACT	J	OUTSHINE	Р	APHORISM
С	RHESUS	K	CHEMIST	Q	UNSTICK
D	LUKEWARM	L	THEIST	R	SHEAF
Ε	OPHELIA	М	OILSKIN	S	TWOSOME
F	WEREWOLF	Ν	RHYTHM	Т	UNWASHED
G	ELEPHANT			U	SESTET

First Letters: MARLOWE DOCTOR FAUSTUS

#### Quote:

WAS THIS THE FACE THAT LAUNCHED A THOUSAND SHIPS AND BURNT THE TOPLESS TOWERS OF ILIUM? SWEET HELEN, MAKE ME IMMORTAL WITH A KISS! HER LIES SUCK FORTH MY SOUL - SEE WHERE IT FLIES.

## Cross-Quote ©

The aim of Cross-Quote is to discover the text of the quotation in the grid below where the words are separated only by black squares and punctuation is ignored. To do this, solve the clues on the left and enter the answers in that grid. The letters should also be entered in the correspondingly numbered squares in the grid below. The more the quotation is revealed, the more help you will get in solving the clues ...

SUCKED OUT, e.g. petrol	A	1	135	72	24	118	68	29	12	
STRAIN, SIEVE in a laboratory	В	119	145	73	52	44	13	80	92	
REPELLENT	С	74	128	2	124	45	109	93	144	30
CUMBERSOME	D	84	94	60	46	3	53	69	110	
HATE INTENSELY	E	129	70	48	99	4	104			
MOLDOVAN CAPITAL Engl.spelling	F	66	54	25	31	137	139	115	47	
ORANGE DYE, FLAVOURING	G	81	5	14	71	105	100	146		
CACAO PRODUCT	Н	75	36	101	120	138	49	61	116	106
TORY MUSICIAN, YACHTSMAN	J	82	32	95	37	64				
AMAZED, HORRIFIED	K	88	57	87	112	62	136			
BURGLED, LOOTED	L	113	38	50	96	58	6			
CIRCUMSCRIBED, CONSTRAINED	М	97	67	21	26	63	65	134		
ESTIMATE A WORTH GREATER	N	83	89	76	125	107	22	85	15	130
A LIGHT COLONIAL MEAL	0	77	114	39	102	143	7			
DENTATE	P	126	8	121	131	40	98	86		
A SWISS VALLEY and CHEESE	Q	41	55	122	90	27	9	78	140	16
SKIMMED or LOOKED QUICKLY	R	147	17	79	33	23	108	142		
DEVIL-MAY-CARE, DISREPUTABLE	S	42	127	103	123	34	18	10		
CIRCUS TUMBLER	Т	11	28	132	56	91	43	19		
FORMER BALKAN UNDER TITO	U	117	51	35	20	59	141	133	111	

The first column of the grid above gives the initial and the surname of the author and the title of the work from which this extract was taken.

A1	C2	D3		E4	G5	L6		07	P8	Q9		S10	T11	A12
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	F25	M26	Q27	T28	A29		C30	F31	J32		R33	S34	U35	H36
J37		L38	O39		P40	Q41	S42		T43	B44	C45	D46	F47	E48
H49		L50	U51	B52		D53	F54	Q55	T56	K57	L58	U59		D60
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M97	P98		E99	G100		H101	O102	S103	E104	G105		H106	N107	R108
C109	D110		U111	K112	L113	0114	F115	H116	U117		A118	B119		H120
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### **Brodie—Show day**

Hi - its nice to share good news - guess what? I won a prize in the dog show at Stone Village Fete. To be honest I came second in one of the classes but I did feel proud and my reward was a new tennis ball and a bag of biscuits. My family arrived in the morning and they all sat and watched me parading round the ring with the other dogs. Some of them were quite big so I felt a bit nervous to start with. Then they all clapped when I got my blue rosette. It was a very exciting day!

Since then I've been to have a day out at my neighbour's house with my two best friends, Claude and Bonnie. I missed my mum a bit but they looked after me and we had lots of fun playing in their garden. Its a much bigger garden than mine so there was lots of room to go chasing around and around until I wore myself out.

Another thing that happened to me recently was something I really didn't enjoy one bit, and it's not the first time either. A visit to the station. We travel there by car and that's ok. It's just when we arrive, and this is the worst part, we have to go and watch the trains thundering by. They are so noisy I feel quite frightened. There's a big trolley there with lots of water slopping about and its very scary. I don't know why it frightens me so much. I'm glad when its all over and we can get back in the car and go home. "There, she said, "plants all watered. Well done Brodie, time for your treat, you've been a good girl". Well I don't know about that I was just too scared to be anything else! Back home and she makes a big fuss of me and promises not to take me there again. I just hope she remembers.

That's all my news for now, at last its a bit cooler and we can start having normal walks in the middle of the day. I do like a bit of routine.

Love to you all, Brodie x

Ed: Congratulations Brodie





# Appledore Local History Society

## We urgently need your help!

# Appledore Local History Society is about to become homeless!

We have been advised that the Appledore Methodist Chapel is to be closed and will be put up for auction on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022. We only have until that date to remove the documents and artefacts we have in store there, into safe storage elsewhere.

We urgently need to secure safe and dry storage, on an interim or long-term basis and we invite any member of the local community who has outbuildings that could suit, to urgently contact us. The size of a stable or single car garage would suffice, anything larger would be a bonus.

We require periodic access to the items that will be stored, in order that we can continue to catalogue them as well as occasionally remove them for display at suitable venues on Heritage Open Days and loan them to interested parties.

Our final meeting of ALHS at the Methodist Chapel was held on 11th August 2022. We do have a Heritage Open Day there on Saturday, 27th August 2022, which will proceed as planned. We hope that you will make time to join us during the day to see an example of what we share with visitors and those who make enquiries regarding the village and their family ties to Appledore.

Please help us to secure a new home.

Contact our Chairman, Brian Knight on T: 01233 758319 or E: ThrKng@aol.com



## Tai Chi For Health FREE Taster Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September

Beginners Class Friday 10.15am—11.00am Appledore Village Hall, £6.00 per session pay monthly. Suitable for all ages, levels of fitness, seated and standing.

> Contact Emma- Tel: 07587 167756 Email: taichiforyou@hotmail.co.uk Website: www.taichiforyou.co.uk

## **ALLOTMENT CHARITY**

Appledore has an allotment area run by the Allotment Charity. I believe this charity uses it's funds to help those in need in the village. The rent is very reasonable.

Currently, there are some vacant plots for renting by any resident of the parish of Appledore. If anyone is interested in renting or simply viewing a plot, please contact Mrs Mary Shaw, Clerk to the Trustees, The Homestead, Appledore, TN26 2AJ or phone 01233 758298.



# Saturday, 1st October 2022

Doors open 7pm Concert starts at 7.30pm

LICENSED BAR and Raffle

Tickets £18 available from

https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/all-saints-woodchurch

or if you prefer - visit or call WOODCHURCH HUB 01233 861381 (Open Monday-Friday 10.00am-1.00pm Saturday 10.00am-12 midday)

### A gentle reminder of your duties as an owner.......

#### Overgrown Hedges and Trees over the Footpath and Road

May 2022

Dear Resident,

Every year throughout the spring and summer KCC Highways & Transportation receive numerous complaints regarding trees, hedges and other vegetation, which overhang the highway from private property. This matter can pose a number of problems for people trying to use the footways, especially if they are trying to pass with buggies, wheelchairs and scooters. It would be greatly appreciated if you could ensure that any trees and hedges that are bordering the Highway are maintained and cut back to your boundary which would greatly benefit all Highway users. This will help us all keep the highway safe and prevent the need for KCC Highways & Transportation writing to you requesting that you cut back your vegetation.

So that you are aware of our requirements, please refer to the text below.

# If the boundary of your property borders the footway, then please be aware that:

- The full width of the footway/pavement must be available for use by pedestrians.
- As well, there must be a minimum height clearance over the footway/pavement of 2.1 metres/7 feet for any vegetation.

# If the boundary of your property borders the carriageway, then please be aware that:

- If you have vegetation that overhangs into the road, there must be a minimum height clearance of 5 metres/16 feet to accommodate buses and HGVs that may use the road.
- If your property is rural, then vegetation should be 0.45 metres/1.5 feet behind the edge of the road and all signs need to be kept clear of foliage.

Also, we would ask that you pay special attention to your trees, hedges and vegetation if your property is on or near a junction, and/or inside the bend of the road, to maintain maximum visibility for road users.

Thank you for the time taken to read this article and we wish you a pleasant summer.

Yours faithfully

Ashford Highways Operations Team

Kent County Council

#### **Your Parish Magazine**

For over 60 years the Appledore Parish Magazine has been delivered free to practically every property in the Village. This has been possible by selling advertising space, donations from individuals and organisations and producing the magazine in house with our own printing machine and volunteers.

Whilst each year the Parish Magazine endeavours to build up a reserve account for the future purchase of a printing machine, laptop and software etc, if/when required, This reserve is rapidly declining.

In the last year we have lost several advertisers for various reasons. The cost of paper and ink have increased dramatically (as with most things) and we have recently incurred a substantial cost in moving the printing machine from the Methodist Chapel to the Village Hall.

If we are to continue to have a free magazine we need to increase our income. If you would like to advertise a Business or Service, or know someone who does then please get in touch, details are in the front of the magazine.

We offer a photo copying and printing service up to A4 size in colour or black & white.

If you require posters for an event or flyers, which can be distributed with the magazine for an additional charge, please get in touch.

Posters printed in the magazine for Village Events or Organisations are free, others please see below.

Charges for Photocopying & Printing -

B&W 6p per page. ) Including White Paper

B&W 7p per page. ) Including Coloured Paper

Colour 15p per page. ) Including White Paper

Flyers are £15 to distribute with magazine plus above printing if printed by magazine.

Posters to go in magazine as a page or half page –

B&W £7 per Issue. (Business)

Colour £10 per Issue. (Non Village Groups, Charities etc)

Colour £13 per Issue. (Business)

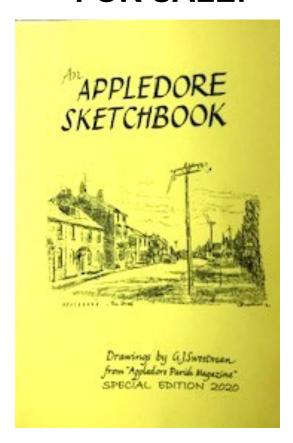
**Brian Knight** 

Appledore Parish Magazine

Accounts & Advertising

Ed: And we are always happy to receive straight donations, especially with the added cost of moving the printer.

## **FOR SALE!**



As part of our 60th birthday celebrations we have put together a sketchbook of Appledore. These are drawings done in the 1960s by the first Editor of the Parish Magazine, Mr Sweetman. It is a fascinating glimpse into the history of Appledore and what the village looked like then. Mr Sweetman travelled all around the village sketching what he saw. Many of you will recognise your homes as they looked then. You might also see what the land looked like before your house was built!

Some of the individual buildings named include: the Methodist Chapel; the Forstal; Horne's Place Chapel; Oxney House; Swan House; the cottages on Court Lodge Road; the primary school; Victoria Terrace and Griffin Cottages; Hawthorn Cottages; many views of the Church - inside and out - as well as country views along the Military Canal and Gusbourne.

If you would like to purchase a copy - the cost is £5 - please contact Brian Knight on 01233 758319.

## **Photocopying & Printing**

The Parish Magazine provides a Photocopying & Printing Service. Prices are: Black & White 6p per page, Colour 15p per page. We can print single- or double-sided.

For further information or to place an order please contact Brian Knight. Tel: 01233 758319 or email <a href="mailto:thrkng@aol.com">thrkng@aol.com</a>.