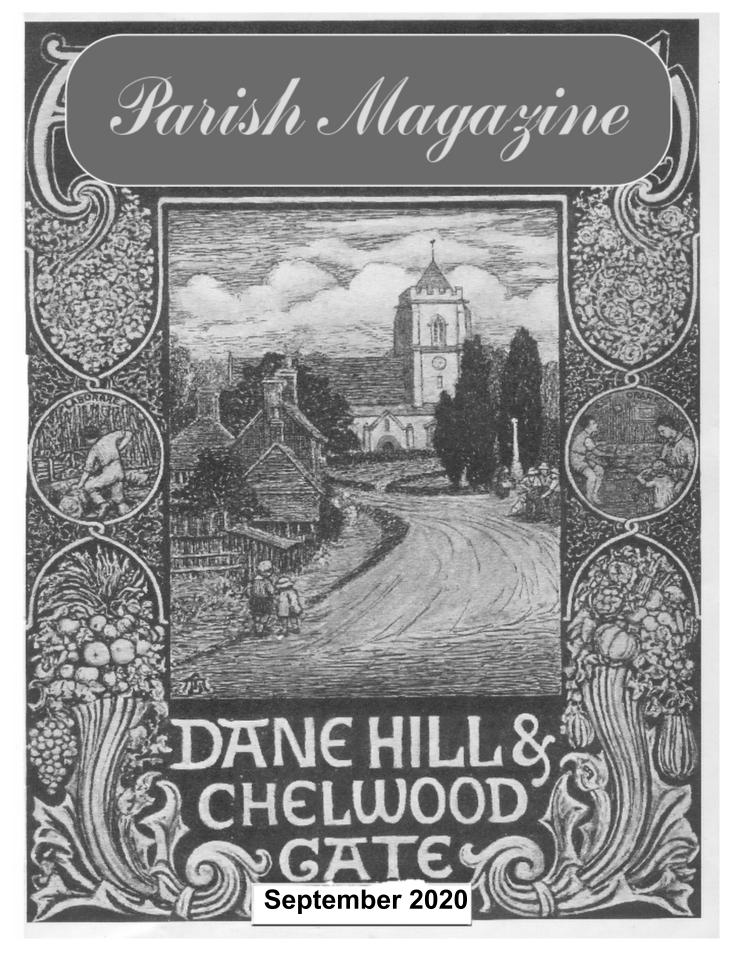
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# Letter from the Vicar



**Dear Parishioners** 

At the start of a new school year, our thoughts are with the younger members of our parish. Some of them have had a stressful time awaiting exam results and also the uncertainty of knowing how their grades would be marked. Others are wondering what life at school or in a new school, college or university will look like in these 'different' times.

As a church we are keen to look out for people of all ages, and we are glad that Josh Watson has now come to join us as our youth (and families' worker) to help us to help support the older children and young people, as well as their families.

If you missed it, here is some of Josh's info! Josh is in his mid-twenties and was previously a youth worker in Salisbury for five years. He is originally from Sussex and his family live in Lewes. Josh is married to Kirsti and the couple have now moved in to the parish with their two cats Thor and Aurora and their two rabbits, Lola and Jasper. Josh is a big fan of the outdoors – camping, campfires, trees, birds, rain(!) and anything outdoors. Inside he enjoys board games, video games, films and anything that can be enjoyed with take-away pizza and cookie dough ice cream – other flavours also considered!

Amongst a number of other activities Josh will be taking the reins of the Thursday night youth clubs which have been so enjoyed by the young people, with the support of Meg and Steve and other child protection-checked volunteers. He will also be assisting with assemblies at Danehill School, at Sunday services and in many other ways.

You can read more about the events on offer for the young people and indeed for all ages, on our website at <u>www.allsaintsdanehill.org.uk</u>

At a time of change I'm encouraged by God's words to another Joshua (the biblical version)! 'Be strong and courageous. The Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.'

With warm greetings,



# All Saints Church, Danehill with Chelwood Gate September 2020

Sunday services have resumed at All Saints and Chelwood Gate, with those at All Saints also available online. There is strict observance of social distancing and adherence to government and national church guidelines at all services in church. The website also provides other worship resources, including prayers, the weekly sermon and suggested Bible passages. *For more information, contact the Revd. Paddy MacBain on 01825 790269* 

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> September		
8am	Traditional Holy Communion (Chelwood Gate)	
9.30am	Traditional Morning Prayer (All Saints)	
11am	All Age Service (All Saints)	
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> September		
9.30am	Holy Communion (All Saints)	
11am	Informal Service (All Saints)	
4pm	Worship@4 (All Saints)	
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September		
8am	Traditional Holy Communion (Chelwood Gate)	
9.30am	Modern Morning Prayer (All Saints)	
11am	Informal Service (All Saints)	
4pm	Informal Prayer Service (Chelwood Gate)	
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> September		
9.30am	Holy Communion (All Saints)	
11am	Informal Communion (All Saints)	
4pm	Worship@4 (All Saints)	
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> October		
8am	Traditional Holy Communion (Chelwood Gate)	
9.30am	Traditional Morning Prayer (All Saints)	
11am	All Age Service (All Saints)	

#### Ashdown Café



The Ashdown café committee had a long meeting in August and decided that it would not be advisable to hold the café for the moment.

We do hope that it won't be long before we can all enjoy coffee, tea, cakes, biscuits and a chat to catch up on all the news we have missed during the past months. We will keep you posted so watch this space!!

Shelagh Gilliam and the committee

# Church, but not as you know it. Worship@4

# Worship@4 is back in church.

# Come along and give it a try: 13 Sep, 27 Sept, 11 Oct and 25 Oct

# www.allsaintsdanehill.org.uk

# At All Saints Danehill



Weddings: 11 July Thomas Warwick Halligey, Laura Elizabeth Sims
22 August Peter Leslie Taylor, Christa Tharshini Thavapalan
Funerals: 8 July Evelyn Daisy Maud Wood
14 August Harold Edgar Waters



# Chailey School GCSE Results 2020

Many congratulations to the Chailey School Class of 2020. We are hugely proud of the kind, caring and mature young people you have become. You were wonderful role models for our younger students. Your work ethic was fantastic and you richly deserve the results that you have achieved. In the current climate it feels inappropriate to quote statistics and grades specifically.

We say goodbye to the entire Class of 2020 and with them the very best for their brilliant futures. As an exams centre we were robust with our Centre Assessed Grades and confident all of our results are the product of hard work and application by all of our students and staff.

#### **October Magazine**

We are very grateful to everyone who has contributed articles to the September issue and their time to make publication and distribution of this month's issue possible. You can send your submissions for next month's magazine by **Thursday 24 September** to:

#### parishmagazine@allsaintsdanehill.org.uk

Hard copy may be left in the postbox at Marten Cottage, Coach and Horses Lane.

This month's editor - Chris Drewery 740298





Sadly, it has simply not been possible to reopen the physical Repair Café in Chailey Village Hall due to the current restrictions - but we will be back!!

The good news is that, although we have had to close the physical Repair Café, our talented volunteers are hard at work offering repair advice online and a "drop it on the doorstep" service.

The way that it works is that we put the repair request out to our volunteers and anybody who is prepared to take it on makes contact and gives you their address. You drop it on their doorstop and they'll tell you when it's fixed and can be collected. We'll invite you to pay for any parts and make a donation toward the Cafe... That's all there is to it!!

Since lockdown, we have now taken on nearly 100 "drop off" repairs with more coming in every day! We are delighted to now be able to offer our legendary knife sharpening service again.....

Our amazing volunteers only have limited resources right now, so we may have to say they can't take on some repairs – and please note that we can only take on items which are portable, so no tumble dryers or fridge freezers please!!! And, much as we'd like to, we don't do home visits.....

Contact the Repair Café at chaileyrc@gmail.com with details of the make and model number of what needs repairing , preferably with a good quality photo or two, and we will see what we can do.

Bryan McAlley and the Chailey Repair Café team

DPHS



To commemorate the 75th anniversary of the end of WW2, DPHS has re-published a booklet produced in the 1970s by the society. The booklet points out the difficulties people faced as the parish prepared to be on the front line if Hitler invaded. It is a long document at 40 pages so we have picked out some of the highlights for you. Some of the these are written by the people living in Danehill through the war and paint a stunning picture of the upheaval felt by ordinary people. There are fascinating insights from a young woman especially the excitement of so many fit, young soldiers from Canadians to Maories into her life. There are two accounts of life changing experiences for small children from the city parachuted into a rural landscape of scary cows, aerial dogfights, non-flushing toilets down the garden and actually being allowed to walk on the grass!

Click on the link and enjoy.

www.danehillhistory.org/

#### Yellow Meadow Ants by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust South Downs Skyscrapers

If you're feeling boxed-in by buildings and overwhelmed by architecture, I've found the perfect escape route. Head up onto the South Downs and let the developed world be stripped away with every step. Yet here, in this ancient landscape, towering above the thyme and trefoils in the turf, you'll find some of the most impressive buildings in Sussex.

Ant hills are mini miracles of design and construction, the visible tip of the ant's underground empire. Soil is mined and carried, grain by grain, to the surface to construct this metropolis of mounds some of which can be centuries old. Every ant hill represents a separate colony of Yellow Meadow Ants – respected as the finest architects amongst Britain's 42 ant species.

Ant hills are high-rise heat-traps built to harvest the sun's warmth. This soil solarium houses a series of chambers; the colony's nursery. Here, worker ants tenderly tend to eggs, pupae and larvae – moving them around within the ant hill to keep them always on the sunny side.



With a strong division of labour, each colony is a 'superorganism' made of thousands of hard-working individuals serving a common cause – their colony and queen. But life is far from peaceful. Every ant hill is a miniature kingdom at war with its neighbouring ant hills. Epic battles are fought daily on these downs, and every summer squadrons of winged ants take to the skies in an attempt to establish new colonies. It's a perilous mission – certain death awaits them if they land in occupied territory.

Down under the ant hill, other ants work on the aphid farm. Root-feeding aphids are herded and 'milked' for their honeydew – a hi-

energy drink which helps fuel the colony. Ants also obtain a similar sugary syrup from the caterpillars of Chalk Hill Blue butterflies. When these caterpillars are ready to pupate they are carried underground and adopted by the ant colony. Upon emergence, the subterranean homesick blue butterflies scramble back to the surface and escape to the summer



skies.

Ant hills don't just benefit ants; their angles and aspects create a unique micro-habitat on chalk downland. Their sun-baked slopes are great for basking butterflies, grasshoppers and lizards and their soft, sifted soil is loved by mosses, grasses and flowers. This softness is also their vulnerability. Every ant lives in fear of the great winged terror from the sky – the green woodpecker. Its brutal bill and sticky harpoon tongue can cause carnage in a colony. Winged monsters, kingdoms at war – it's a veritable Game of Thrones out there on the South Downs in September.

Sussex Wildlife Trust is an independent charity caring for wildlife and habitats throughout Sussex. Founded in 1961, we have worked with local people for over half a century to make Sussex richer in wildlife.

We rely on the support of our members to help protect our rich natural heritage. Please consider supporting our work. As a member you will be invited to join Michael Blencowe on our regular wildlife walks and also enjoy free events, discounts on wildlife courses, *Wildlife* magazine and our Sussex guide book, *Discovering Wildlife*. It's easy to join online at <u>www.sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk/join</u>

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#### ROUND AND ABOUT IN THE PARISH

Shon Bennett writes in his 'Word Picture of Danehill' "Going up Church Hill next to the wheelwright was Mr James Scutt whose large board on the side of his house, announced to anyone interested, and with that sort of money,



he was a TAYLOR AND BREECHES MAKER' ". I'm having a bit of trouble here because Ray Smith let me have a copy of an invoice from Harry Scutt which clearly states he is a Tailor and Breeches Maker, so I'm inclined to think that **James** might be a simple error, as is the spelling of Tailor. It's not likely that the invoice would be wrong. Mrs Madge Tunks, who was Mr Scutt's daughter, told the Danehill Parish Historical Society that the Scutt family moved to Danehill in about 1901 and certainly he was in Danehill at the time of the 1911 Census. Mr Scutt was working at Little Danewood Cottage until his death in the flu epidemic of 1918. At the time of his death he was only 44. With the coronavirus still so prevalent in our minds today, it's a timely reminder that the flu epidemic after World War I was just as deadly, perhaps even more so? The invoice - which was addressed to Mr May on January 4th 1915 states "Mourning orders executed on the shortest notice"

From the following year, July 20, 1916 Ray has let me have a copy of an invoice from W H Noakes, who was a grocer, draper, wine, spirit and beer merchant at Horsted Keynes. His premises were on The Green and according to the 1911 Census he was also a sub-Postmaster. From as far back as 1881 he was a grocer and draper at Chiddingly Street, Hailsham, and upon moving to Horsted Keynes he also becomes a subpostmaster. As before, the invoice is to the May family who were in Danehill.

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This photo from John Gallsworthy is of a Post Office on the Green at Horsted Keynes. This is of Granny Gallsworthy, but might an earlier occupant have been William Henry

Noakes? Before him George Gilpin was also a Draper, Grocer and Postmaster for over 25 years and his premises are described as The Green.

Ray has also let me have an invoice dated in 1920 addressed to the May family who were purchasing goods from the grocer at Danehill, namely Mr C Head. Mr Head had lived in Danehill for many years as a life assurance agent and by the 1911 census he had progressed to being a Grocer in the village. His daughter, Clara Luisa was a Pupil Teacher at Danehill School. This was guite common for the time.

Bought Cr. Head, Grocer & Provision Marchant, Tea Dealer, & Marchant, Bought Sc. Head, Grocer & Provision Marchant, Tea Dealer, & DANEHILL

The May family lived at The Crocodile.

These invoices will soon be on the Website of the Danehill Parish Historical Society where they will be displayed more clearly.

My thanks to Ray Smith and to John Gallsworthy.

Jill Rolfe 740446



**Chelwood Gate Village Hall** 

The hall is now receiving bookings for most events, providing social distancing (1metre) is maintained and a limited number of people (30) are attending.

We are hoping to hold the **Big Macmillan Coffee Morning** 10.30am on September 26<sup>th</sup>. We are sure that we will see many exciting cakes entered in the competition. Lookout for posters and on Facebook

The Outreach **Post Office** is waiting for authorisation from Post Office Services and is expected to start " early autumn" and will be 11.30am to 1pm on Fridays.

The **Community Library**, will coincide with the **Post Office** on the second Friday of the month and the **Coffee Mornings** the last Saturday I am sure you have all read the books you have if you wish to change them please give us a call and arrange a time to change them. Tel. 01825 740562 jean-wood44@hotmail.co.uk or. rockinrobin@cgate.plus.com

Please keep well,

Jean Wood

#### **Danehill and Chelwood Gate Social Club**

Redecorating, refurbishment and deep cleaning of the premises ready for re-opening is still ongoing, and we anticipate opening again in about two weeks.

The **Winter Darts** season is due to start in October and negotiations are continuing to bring some inter club competition matches to the club.

The **Outreach Post Office** at both Danehill and Chelwood Gate is waiting authorisation from Post Office Services for the start date. It is expected to be "early autumn" and will be Fridays 1.30 to 3pm at the Social Club



### **Singles Sunday Lunch Club**

Everyone appears to want to meet up for a picnic but unfortunately we need a venue where we can all park the cars easily. The other factor is the weather and at this moment in time that appears to have deteriorated. I am quite confident the fine weather will return but I suggest we avoid weekends as there seems to be more people out and about then. Karen or I will phone you a week in advance with a date, time and meeting point. If the weather is not suitable for a picnic on the chosen date it will take place the following day. Please remember you have to bring your own chair, food and drink on the day and we must keep the suggested government social distancing. Looking forward to seeing you all.

Mae Lewis 740 679 Karen Day 790 857



#### YOUTH

Youth is not a time of life---- it is a state of mind. It is not a matter of rosy cheeks, red lips and supple knees; it is an attitude, a quality of the imagination, a vigour of emotions. Youth means a predominance of courage over timidity, a preference for adventure over love of ease. Years wrinkles the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul. Whether seventy or sixteen, there can be in every being's heart a sense of wonder, the sweet amazement at the stars, the challenge of new events, childlike curiosity, and the joy of living. You are as young as your faith. as old as your doubt; as young as your self confidence, as old as your fear; as young as your hope, as old as your despair. So long as your heart is warmed by the messages of beauty, hope, cheer, courage and meaning in life, you will remain young.

Anonymous

# May youth be forever yours

# **Danehill Memorial Hall**

Your Committee have now discussed and signed off detailed re-opening plans, allowing users to enjoy a safe environment at the Hall, compliant with the current requirements of the relevant authorities. Letters have been sent out with full details to all regular users. All such users are asked to reply to the Bookings Secretary on sjenorton@yahoo.co.uk with the requested information by the requested deadline, if they have not already done so.

We look forward to welcoming you all back to the Hall from 1 September and resuming normal service!

Brian Elliot, Secretary, Danehill Memorial Hall.

# Ashdown WI.

We have managed to have weekly get togethers outside, all through August. If you have joined us we have enjoyed your company. It has been good to see people and to exchange information and experiences - you just can't beat communication through face to face talking!

I wrote about ACWW last month, and if you would like to see more information about the work they are doing follow this link www.research.net/r/acww\_covid\_2

Data is being collected from as many women as possible, from around the world. The survey will help inform ACWW's advocacy work at the United Nations and other international bodies.

Yvonne Smith

## Your Magazine

Sadly this month we say goodbye to Emma Gilliam, one of our editors. Emma has been inspirational in getting more varied content into the magazine and in recruiting contributors from more diverse parts of the community. We hope to be able to maintain this vitality in the future. Thank you Emma for tireless work especially in the upheaval of 2020..

We are now hoping to recruit a new person to the editorial team. The magazine is an important means of communication. In normal times it is distributed to the whole community unlike social media which serves self selected sub groups. A new volunteer will be fully trained and only needs a working knowledge of word processing. If you would like to have a go please contact me or Paddy for an informal chat.

Chris Drewery 740298



# Walking the High Weald

Create your own 'self-guided' High Weald Walking Festival!

We're excited to bring you 50 carefully curated, self-guided walk routes from every corner of the High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, available to download free during September at www.highwealdwalks.org<http://www.highwealdwalks.org>.

The Festival team - led by the High Weald AONB Partnership and local Ramblers groups - has selected routes that offer an alternative to the cancelled High Weald Walking Festival. They are a fantastic opportunity to get off the beaten track, discover some hidden gems and explore this beautiful landscape safely, responsibly and at your own pace. Whether you're a seasoned hiker or a lockdown newbie, there's something for everyone.

How will it work?

1) Visit the Festival website (www.highwealdwalks.c programme<http://www.highwealdwalks.org/walkinc and interactive map showing the location and lengtl available NOW, replacing our usual printed Festival

2) From the beginning of September you can down pdfs. They include clear directions and a map, and a home printer. Selected routes will also have .GPX

guides to download. They'll only be available for one month and will disappear on 1 October, so don't miss out!

3) Make sure you're signed up to the Festival mailing list<https:// highwealdwalks.us4.list-manage.com/

subscribe?u=4314449745fa024cc3c37a609&id=6627a87157> for details of of new bonus walks as they are released throughout the month, weekly High Weald 'I-Spys' to spot while you're out walking and other updates.

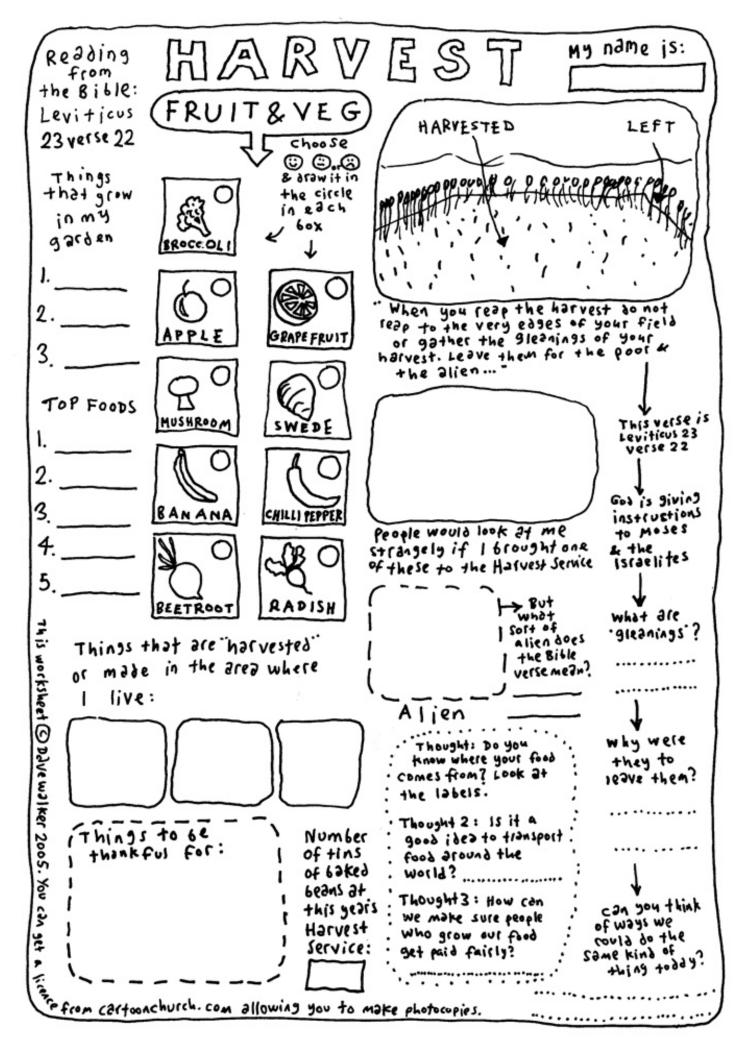
4) Let us know how you're getting on; share your photos and updates when you're out and about using #highwealdwalks.

Please abide by the latest government guidelines and follow the Countryside Code when out walking in the High Weald AONB. Guidance on staying safe when exploring the countryside can be found on our website<https://www.highwealdwalks.org/faq>.Emma White

Emma White, Communications Officer, High Weald AONB Unit







#### **COVID-19 AND SELF-ISOLATION**

If you are self-isolating due to COVID-19, we will try to help by:

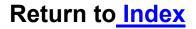
- Picking up shopping
- Posting mail
- Being a friendly voice at the end of the phone
- Providing technical tips so you can keep in touch online

If you are concerned just telephone or email and someone will be in touch. *Revd. Paddy Macbain – (01825) 790269 vicar@allsaintsdanehill.org.uk Danehill Parish Council – (01342) 822404* 

#### **REMINDERS:**

- Coronavirus is contagious so please take every precaution to ensure you are only spreading kindness.
- Avoid physical contact by keeping a distance in line with current guidelines.
- Wash hands regularly and leave all items on doorsteps.

By contacting us you are agreeing for your contact details to be shared for this purpose between volunteer groups in compliance with data protection regulations, but they will not be passed on to external groups or for other purposes. Any queries just contact Paddy Macbain or the Parish office.



## Covid 19 Local Update

#### The situation in East Sussex - today's snapshot August 13th 2020

East Sussex continues to see a comparatively low number of cases of Covid-19. The latest figures show a cumulative rate of 298.8 cases per 100,000 of population

#### Table: Total number of lab-confirmed cases of COVID-19 in East Sussex

Area	No. of cases	Rate per 100,000 population
Eastbourne	458	441.5
Hastings	140	151.1
Lewes	390	377.7
Rother	195	203
Wealden	482	298.5
East Sussex	1,665 (up18 sir	nce 13 Aug) 298.8
England	275,834	481.4

## Schools

A lot of effort is being dedicated to encouraging parents to send their children to school in September. All schools will be open and it is important that all children return to school.

New Employment Numbers.

New figures for unemployment and those in receipt of benefits in East Sussex during the pandemic have been released.

In June there were 19,480 unemployed people claiming Jobseekers Allowance ("JSA") and Universal Credit ("UC").. 46,768 people claimed UC of whom 28760 were not searching for work. The number claiming UC more than doubled between March and June.

A total of 144,000 people are now in receipt of UC, JSA and furlough support. This amounts to 45% of all working age people in East Sussex

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#### **Danehill & Chelwood Gate Societies and Charity Representatives**

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