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Defend our Coast Association
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Dear All

With Christmas nearly upon us it seems that the year has just flown by. It has nearly been 12 months since DOC has been founded and what progress we have made since then!. We have now been recognized as a very important link between Government Departments in charge of our sea defences and local communities fighting for the right to have their sea defences protected.

All this would have been impossible without your help and on behalf of all DOC Committee Members I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support which is so vital in order to achieve our ultimate goal to protect our Marsh from flooding for future generations to come.

*** MERRY CHRISTMAS ***

Terry Preston - Chairman



Environment Agency Update!

Since the end of Public Consultation in the Summer of 2008 and our Open Meeting in Lydd during September of this year, progress has been made by the EA to push the schemes forward, albeit rather slowly. DOC held an informal meeting with the EA at the beginning of December and we should be able to give you further information following our next meeting with the EA in January 2009. The wheels of Government seem to grind very slowly! DOC is continuing to put pressure on the various Government Departments to push for early implementation of the schemes as we can ill-afford any delays given the neglected state of our sea defences. Keep watching the website for new developments and we will of course keep you all informed via our regular newsletters should there be any positive news forthcoming from the EA . The Committee continues with its efforts to establish new and further positive links to keep DOC actively involved in any decision making on behalf of all its members and residents on the Romney Marsh.

Dates for your Diary / Announcements

DOC – AGM March 2009

The Annual General Meeting of DOC is to take place during March 2009 , details to be released later.

Open Meeting

This will run concurrently with our first AGM and is set for 27 March 2009.

Committee Members

We always welcome DOC members to join the Committee. Please contact us if you wish to put your name forward.

