



December 2020



Dear Members,

When I wrote to you in March advising of the cancellation of most of our events for this year due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, I did not envisage having to change the format of our Annual Xmas Tree Lights Switch-on too. However, you will be pleased to know we have managed to get the Xmas Tree, once again donated by Butlins and it is installed in the usual location at Grassmere Parade, Felpham Village. Lights switch-on will be on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> December at 4.30 pm.

We are all very disappointed that we cannot invite you to join in this year as we are only allowed to have a maximum of six people present. The occasion will have to be somewhat different from previous years, in that we are unable to have the local school choirs singing. However, Father John will bless the tree as he has in the past and the lights will be switched on at 4.30 pm. Live streaming will be via St Mary's Church YouTube or Facebook sites so we hope you will join online. After the blessing and switch-on, we will have piped Xmas carols and music playing twice a day at Grassmere Parade, over the festive period.

Even though our events for this year had to be cancelled, your Committee look forward and are positive for next year in the hope that we will be able and allowed to have events later in 2021. We will continue updating our Felpham Village Conservation Society website and our Facebook pages, both of which are an enormous source of interesting facts about Felpham.

Although Covid-19 is still with us and it continues to be the focus of our daily lives, and although you may be separated from family and friends, please keep safe and don't be lonely; it may be difficult to chat through a mask – but a Hello might just be enough.

Wishing you all the best for Christmas and although these times are somewhat unsettling and uncertain, we wish you a Happy and Healthy New Year.



***We Will Be Back***

*Joyce Pritchard*  
Chairman – FVCS