Conserving and protecting our local countryside by promoting village clean up days (in conjunction with Keep Britain Tidy #LitterHeroes), the planting of bulbs, tubs and flower beds, the annual Christmas tree donation and 'lighting up', and community projects in support of our school and other groups.

Preserving village assets through fundraising and financial donations for projects such as the restoration of the Victorian street lamps and church clock, helping to purchase much needed new equipment for the village hall and supporting the Maresfield Historical Society in the production & publication of Maresfield's unique historical booklet.

Promoting and supporting community life through village projects, providing a voice for residents for local issues such as planning applications and environmental issues, and organising fund raising events including the Summer Supper and quiz evenings.

Providing equipment and resources to the MCG Footpaths Group who meet weekly to maintain our local footpaths and beautiful environment, including on occasion Ashdown Forest, mending stiles, bridges and fences, maintaining the Fingerposts, clearing paths and keeping rights of way clear and open.

## **Membership Application Form**

I apply for membership of the Maresfield Conservation Group (MCG):

Title: Family Name:
First Name/s:
Address:
Post Code: Phone:
Email:
Membership subscription enclosed:-
£Cash/Cheque (Delete as necessary)
Thereafter my household's subscription/donation
will be due annually in July.
I wish to pay my annual subscription by:-
Standing Order BACS Collection
Please Note: If you choose Standing Order we will
send you a form to complete with your Welcome
Pack.
Signed:
Please return this completed & signed form to: MCG Membership Secretary, Stan Sadowski,

MCG Membership Secretary, Stan Sadowski, Farthings, The Drive, Maresfield TN22 2HA Email: stansadowski4@gmail.com

Registered Charity Number 1104136

The MCG adhere to the General Data Protection Regulations 2018 & Data Protection Act 2018.

Full details can be found on the MCG website at www.maresfieldconservationgroup.org





# COULD YOU USE YOUR BOOK KEEPING SKILLS?

We need an organised person for simple book keeping, to keep accurate records of all the MCG's income and expenditure and to accept and make payments on behalf of MCG.

You would be co-opted onto the MCG Executive Committee, to provide a regular treasurer's report and attend regular meetings.

For more information or to volunteer please contact: Jo Lawrance

Email: jo.lawrance63@gmail.com Tel: 07595 914701 / 01825 278332

# **How to volunteer for MCG Footpaths Group**

Do you enjoy the outdoors? Would you like to help to enhance the village environment?

There is no need to commit to coming along every week. Weather permitting; we do what we can, when we can. For more information please contact

John Smith at john\_mcg\_smith@hotmail.com

#### **New MCG members welcome**

It doesn't matter if you can't join us in organising or carrying out MCG activities. As a new member your voluntary donation /subscription will help fund the conservation and enhancement of the village and surrounding areas.

Please see our Application form on reverse.

Dear Friends,

As we approach the end of another extraordinary year, I'd like to wish you and your families and friends a very Happy Christmas and New Year.

The Maresfield Conservation Group, together with our Footpaths Group, has continued to work as hard as we possibly could over the past 12 months, lockdown and restrictions notwithstanding.

A genuine and heartfelt thanks, on behalf of all the Committee, to those of you who were able to maintain your membership of the Group this year. If you are reading this newsletter and have yet to become a member of MCG or the Footpaths Group, please make 2022 the year you join us! We will be delighted to welcome you.

In the meantime, Season's Greetings to one and all, hopefully we will see each other at this year's lighting up of the village Christmas tree on Saturday 11 December.

Yours,

Jo Lawrance Chair, MCG

### **MCG** Activities Calendar

MCG Committee meetings are held at least 4 times a year and as required. See our website for upcoming meetings. You can contact Jo Lawrance at jo.lawrance63@gmail.com to submit items for our agenda.

MCG Footpaths Group currently meets every Wednesday morning from 09:30 to 12:30. Summer hours are being considered for early evenings in 2022.

#### **Events:**

- 2021 Christmas tree lighting
   11<sup>th</sup> December at 4:30pm
- MCG fundraising Quiz 12<sup>th</sup> March '22
- April 'Village Clean-Up' weekend
- Annual General Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> May '22
- Summer Supper 2<sup>nd</sup> July '22
- Autumn 'Village Clean-Up' weekend

# **Grab a gift** promoting Maresfield!

Choose from a selection of cards, notelets & tea towels depicting original sketches of the village. Available whilst stocks last at Maresfield Post Office.