

# KFAS Autumn Conference

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## *Hythe Civic Society's Report*

On September 20<sup>th</sup> Hythe Civic Society hosted the Autumn Conference of the Kent Federation of Amenity Societies. The day was a great success, with about 45 delegates, three interesting and provocative speakers in the morning, a buffet lunch, town guided tours and a visit to the Town Hall (courtesy of Hythe Town Council) in the afternoon. We are affiliated to KFAS, and so receive its Newsletter which contains abstracts from the Newsletters of other Societies: the interesting thing is how we are all dealing with similar issues: insensitive developers 'getting away' with planning horrors, skate board parks, cycle routes, charity shops, telephone masts ...

In the opening talk, Lord Aldington offered a blueprint for a more prosperous future for Kent. Then Jeff Stack spoke on housing matters, especially affordable housing, social housing and resources; he showed us how little we can influence decisions – *but we are not giving up, for all that*. Finally Peter Horn of KCC described the abandoned car problem, and the operation of the brilliant CUBIT machine which reduces both cars and red tape in one operation.

## Guidelines for Computer Files

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Photographs taken on digital cameras should be submitted as the original file, at the highest quality the camera is capable of, preferably TIFF, but low compression (high quality) JPEG images are acceptable. These take several megabytes so ideally should be submitted on the original camera memory card, or CD-ROM if you have a CD writer. Floppy disks and email will not handle such large images, so should only be used as a last resort.

The editor likes to choose which photographs are published, so it would be helpful if you could include prints with the media. These do not have to be photographic quality, because inkjet prints alone are NOT acceptable for publication. The results are not of the high quality required by our printers.

All CD-ROMs and camera cards will normally be returned within 3 days of my receiving them.

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