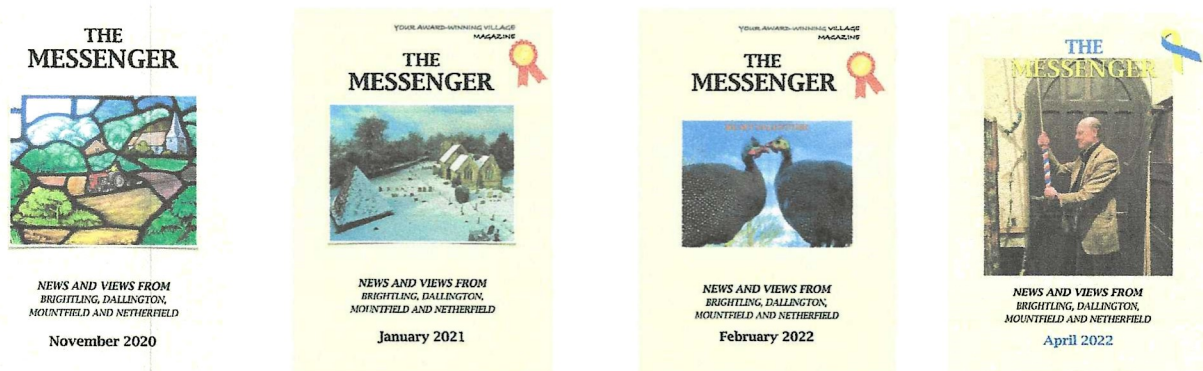


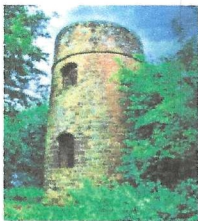
# THE MESSENGER

*The Messenger* is the village magazine for the villagers of Brightling, Dallington, Mountfield and Netherfield, by the villagers of Brightling, Dallington, Mountfield and Netherfield.

The numbers speak for themselves: we currently print 420 copies, virtually all accounted for by paid subscriptions. That is an extraordinary level of penetration. And there is even a waiting list for certain types of advertising. It is a news-stand quality magazine for our communities.



*The Messenger* provides news of forthcoming and recent local events, features about local wild life and local history, seasonal cookery ideas, new books. The magazine kept going throughout the Covid pandemic, providing welcome company for so many people. The move to a new printer enabled us to introduce colour and, most recently, a change to the new glossier paper inside has enabled us to withstand the massively higher costs (led in part by the increases in energy costs) sweeping through every aspect of our lives.



2021 saw our first *Messenger Photographic Competition*. We had no idea what to expect, particularly with Covid still restricting people's lives. The response was fantastic and the standard beyond our expectations.



*The Messenger* is entirely run by volunteers. It is managed by volunteers, particularly editor Mel and treasurer Andrew Wedmore, and delivered by our hardy team of volunteers.

Above all, *The Messenger* is supported by our wonderful advertisers — and you!

Thank you.

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