

Helen was always a welcoming presence at Watford Writer. It is thanks to her efforts that the group thrived over the years with a varied and interesting programme every week. The only 'rule', she said, was that only positive and supportive feedback should be given for any writing presented to the group. Helen arranged a varied and interesting programme to further encourage members to explore writing in all its forms, with prizes on offer for entries to the regular competitions. I remember that Helen particularly enjoyed writing stories connected with food and was often found in the top three for her competition pieces. Helen arranged regular summer and Christmas parties to enable members to get to know each other socially. Thanks to all her hard work, with later support from others in the group, Helen saw Watford Writers celebrate its 20th birthday.

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