

Was it a Good Year (2020)?

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We've got a new song,

You can shout it out or you can sing along.

AND

Everything has changed,

Nothing is better,

2020 is our wake-up call

Hear our polyphonic letter

A silent threat we failed to see

A global pandemic born of complacency

A rising fear and anxiety

Social isolation on your own settee

We could wait impatiently, wait an age, or make it different –Be the change

Thousands still homeless, that's obscene

More disposable masks than fish in the sea

Disability hate crime on the increase

Lock down, stop now – time to see.

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We share our opinions respectfully

Both face to face and virtually

We're tackling sports inequality

And Reclaiming land to grow our own trees

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We've launched our support of charities
And Introduced a Pay it Forward scheme
Created Supported employment opportunities
We're being the change that we'd like to see.

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We have many, most important wishes. Listen:

It all went quiet, something went wrong.
Now it's time to work out how we all move on.
Use a Super-Power? Make a Magic Spell?
Let's create a future that treats us all well.

A quiet world, less white noise,
Time to just be and to hear your own voice.
Catch up with friends in the usual place,
Get a beer at the pub, watch live music on stage.
Fly to Florida on an aeroplane,
Watch soaps without repeats, again.

We could wish to fly or change the weather,
Climb up glass walls, breathe underwater forever,
Go as fast as a flash in a Robot suit,
Travel to Mars and bake cakes enroute. But we don't.

Our many, most important wishes are easy to achieve,
No water into wine required, it's simple, we believe.
A lot less cars, a lot less rush,
A lot less shouting and shopping for stuff.
A lot more kindness and listening well,

A respectful distance and then time will tell.

A future where we can all 'Just be': Equal Access to 'being me'.