

ISSUES ARISING FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY OR OTHER COMMITTEES

PUBLIC PETITION – RETENTION OF OUR GREEN SPACE IN FRONT OF SANDOWN CASTLE, DEAL CT14 6QU

Responsibility: Portfolio Holder for Community and Corporate Property

Report of: Not applicable

Decision Route

Overview and Scrutiny Committee	14 October 2024	Minute No 55
Cabinet	4 November 2024	

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Recommendation

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee, at its meeting held on 14 October 2024, considered the petition and resolved as follows:

That the petition be referred to Cabinet for consideration.

Background

Public Petition: Retention of our green space in front of Sandown Castle, Deal CT14 6QU

‘We the undersigned petition the council to retain our land as open green space and refrain from selling or leasing it.’

The title of this public land is registered to our Dover District Council. - [] 97 square metres of this public grassland could be transferred from public to private land. The aim is to retain this area as an open green space. North Deal is deprived in terms of the living environment. At 3.8 square metres, it is well under the national average of 30 square metres per person. We need to retain this public green space as an integral part of the limited green space available to North Deal.’

This petition ran from 27/08/2024 to 24/09/2024 and received 418 valid signatures.