

South Kent Coast Health & Wellbeing Board

1. Draft Dover District Playing Pitch and Outdoor Sports Facilities Strategy 2014

- A [Draft Playing Pitch and Outdoor Sports Facility Strategy 2014](#)ⁱ for the Dover District is being prepared to plan provision, so that it meets the needs of current and potential users.
- The Core Strategy (adopted in 2010) requires the Council to work with partners to develop a Green Infrastructure Strategy and Action Plan. An important element of this work is the development of open space standards, including standards for provision of outdoor sports facilities. These standards are being tested as part of the Land Allocations Local Plan document and were examined in public during January/February 2014. As required by the National Planning Policy Framework, the standards are based on recently updated audit information.
- The draft document contains discussion on interactions between provision of sports facilities and health, e.g. paragraphs 1.5 – 1.8 on pages 7 and 8. The Council would value feedback from the South Kent Coast Health and Wellbeing Board to help shape the final version of the strategy.
- The closing date is **09 October** and comments may be submitted via the Council's [on-line consultation portal](#)ⁱⁱ or emailed to regenerationdelivery@dover.gov.uk.

2. Healthwatch Kent Call to Action: Hearing People's Experiences

- Healthwatch's initial work in mental health has alerted it to some issues for further investigation. It wants to hear from you about either of the following:
Accessing Primary Care – GPS
 - People living with a mental health illness who have an experience of accessing their GP for both initial and on-going support and services.
 - GP's and other staff working in a local practice who would like to be involved in this study regarding mental health.**Care Plans**
 - People living with a mental health illness who have experience of a care plan or living without a care plan.
 - People living with a mental health illness who would like to share their ideas on what a care plan should look like and do.
- If you have experiences of either of these topics you would like to share, please contact Caroline Hooper to arrange a suitable time to speak. Short and confidential telephone interviews will be conducted at your convenience during August and early September.
- Healthwatch Kent wants to hear from patients, carers, family members and professionals about any aspect of these issues.
- Please contact carolinemhooper@btinternet.com or Caroline on 07916 940450.

3. Making health and social care information accessible

- NHS England is developing an Information Standard for accessible information.
- A [consultation on the draft standard](#)ⁱⁱⁱ is now open and runs until 9 November 2014.
- An [update about progress with this work and next steps has recently been published \(in June 2014\)](#)^{iv} and an engagement [report is available](#)^v.

4. Self Care Week!

- This year's national awareness campaign will run from 17 – 23 November and has the theme "Self care for life – be healthy this winter". The campaign aims to support people to take better care of themselves, particularly during winter, when seasonal illnesses are more prolific and people's health suffers as a consequence.

ⁱ <http://www.dover.gov.uk/Planning/Planning-Policy/PDF/Draft-Playing-Pitch-Strategy-2014.pdf>

ⁱⁱ <http://dover-consult.limehouse.co.uk/portal/>

ⁱⁱⁱ <https://www.engage.england.nhs.uk/consultation/cab3e456>

^{iv} <http://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/info-stand-summary-spring14.pdf>

^v <http://www.england.nhs.uk/ourwork/patients/accessibleinfo-2/#report>