

Recycling

F&HDC have launched a new campaign called *Raise the Rate* which aims to improve the district's current recycling rate of 44.6% by encouraging residents to be extra careful about putting the right things in the correct bins. As part of the campaign an A-Z guide for recycling and waste page has been launched along with details for recycling and waste resources. See F&HDC's website for details

Transport Consultation

A consultation is underway by Kent County Council until October 8th 2024 concerning its statutory Local Transport Plan. All the details of the draft Local Transport Plan and how to respond are on the KCC webpage at www.kent.gov.uk/ltp5. The Local Transport Plan sets out KCC's priorities for transport investment in the county as whole and across the district. The Local Transport Plan will help our council make the case to secure funding for these improvements over time.

Autumn and Winter Well events

The District is facilitating both the Autumn Well Event and the Winter Well Event again this year. The Autumn Well Event is being held on the 20th September at Age UK Hythe, Lyminge and Ashford, Sanford House, Stade Street, Hythe, CT21 6BD between 10am and 1pm. The Winter Well Event is being held on 27th November at South Kent Community Church, Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone CT20 2QR between 10am and 1 pm. These events are a one stop shop morning providing advice and help from a range of agencies.

North Downs Forum

At the recent North Downs Forum, the draft of the updated Corporate Plan for 2025 – 2030 was discussed. This enabled people to formulate their thoughts on it ready to respond to the consultation. As a reminder, consultation on the Corporate Plan is open until the 27th September and it is important that you share your views on it so we can get a cross district view of its contents.

Reach the Beach

"Reach the Beach", the free summer bus service from Folkestone West station to the Harbour Arm, has now ended. It was amazingly successful with a total of 13,683 passengers using the service. Many of these users were visitors to the District boosting tourism in the area.

Otterpool Park

Negotiations are still ongoing to find a strategic partner for the development. Talks with Homes England continue as well as other interested parties.

Annual Canvas

F&HDC are launching their annual canvas in October and November for 2024. This is a legal requirement to make sure the electoral register is accurate and up to date every year. Please check and make sure your details are correct if you are contacted to do so.

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