



Sustainable travel pack

Martello Lakes, Hythe

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Why make fewer trips by car? It saves you money!!!!

The fewer trips you make, the more money you save on fuel and car maintenance costs.

Reducing your annual mileage reduces your private vehicle insurance premium.

Walking and cycling on a regular basis are good for your heart and lungs, burns calories and is a good way to achieve a fitter and healthier lifestyle.

When travelling by bus or train you don't need to find a parking space or worry about parking tickets. You also get to avoid the stresses of driving.

Fewer car journeys will reduce local CO₂ emissions creating a cleaner environment for you to live in.

Welcome...

One of the reasons your development was granted planning permission is because Linden Homes has committed to delivering a sustainable development.

Part of this commitment involves the implementation of a Residential Travel Plan to achieve a 5% reduction in car trips, which is focussed on encouraging sustainable travel modes such as walking, cycling, public transport and car sharing.

With your help, we aim to achieve a reduction in the total number of car trips each household makes. In doing so this will provide a range of benefits to you and the community including a safer and cleaner environment, reduced congestion, improved health and personal financial savings.

Over the next five years we will conduct multi-modal surveys and may also ask you to complete a Travel Survey Questionnaire. This will enable us to measure the success of the Travel Plan and identify new measures to focus on over the monitoring period of 5 years, with surveys completed every other year.

There's an easier way from A...B

This Travel Pack provides information to help you plan your day-to-day journeys, hopefully by alternative means to the car. By providing a range of travel information and FREE voucher offers we hope this will encourage you to consider other ways to travel than by car.

We understand that sometimes there is no alternative to travelling by car, however, we encourage you to consider alternative ways to travel when possible and this pack provides you with the information you might need.

We hope you will find this pack useful and that it helps you to explore your town and the great benefits it has to offer.

On your feet...



Fit exercise into your daily routine by walking or cycling all, or part of your journey somewhere.

Walking and cycling are great ways to boost your health, fitness and wellbeing. It is recommended that the average adult should do 30 minutes of exercise 5 times per week. Walking or cycling to work, the shops or school is an easy way to achieve this target.

Walking and cycling also offer a cheaper alternative to a monthly gym membership!

Walking can be a social activity too. East Kent Walking Group Ramblers is your local walking group. Check out their website here: www.ekwg.co.uk/ to see their up-to-date walking schedule.

In addition, Explore Kent, an outdoor activity organiser led by Kent County Council, promotes 210 walking and 56 cycling routes, 217 parks and green spaces, 14 riding areas, 38 beaches, and a host of walking festivals, cycling events, and conservation volunteering opportunities. To find out more, visit: www.explorekent.org/.

Walking and cycling have great personal health and fitness benefits:

- Lower risk of heart disease, high blood pressure and diabetes
- Stronger bones
- A strengthened immune system
- Better weight management
- Increased energy levels
- Enhanced self esteem
- Better sleep

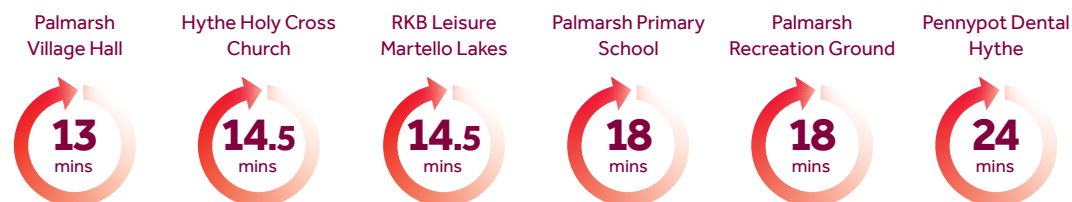


Walking on a regular basis is good for your health and well being and it's **free**.

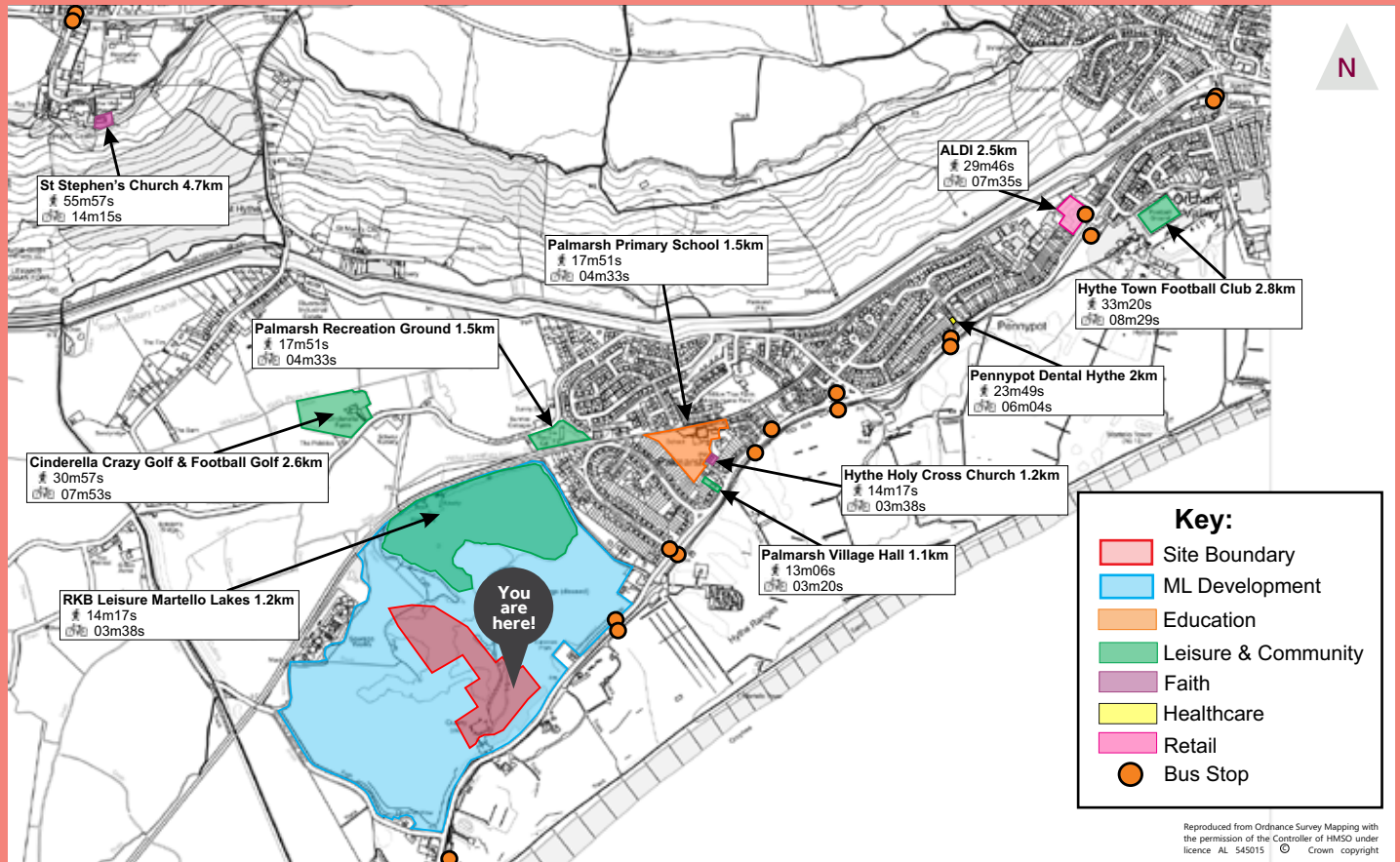
The NHS Change4life website is full of ideas about how to fit being active into your lifestyle!

nhs.uk/change4life

Places you might walk to...



Local facilities



On your bike...

It's quicker by bike!



It is often quicker to cycle short distances than travel by car, particularly during the morning and evening rush hours so to help you get out and about on your bike, we are offering you the opportunity to receive a FREE cycle voucher worth up to £50 for use at Decathlon www.decathlon.co.uk. To claim your voucher, see the enclosed travel voucher for further details.

In addition to the health and fitness benefits associated with cycling, it is also a quick way of getting around and much cheaper than driving. Cycling can also be a healthy alternative to commuting by car. Sandling Railway Station is your closest station and provides cycle parking stands on Platform 1. Cycling to your local shops is good for the community too, as this helps support your local economy.

Kent County Council offers cycle training courses to give people the skills and confidence to cycle more often for leisure and work. A range of courses for adults (17+ years) suit most requirements, from total beginners to experienced cyclists, including learning how to ride an e-bike. Bikeability courses are



also available, a great way for children to develop skills and the confidence to ride a bike safely on the road.

To book a course and find out more information, visit:

www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/road-safety/road-safety-training/cycle-training#tab-1,2

National Cycle Network Route 2 (NCNR2) is a long-distance cycle route that runs to the north of the wider Martello Lakes development and provides a connection to Dover to the east and Cornwall to the west. For more information, visit here:

www.sustrans.org.uk/find-a-route-on-the-national-cycle-network/route-2

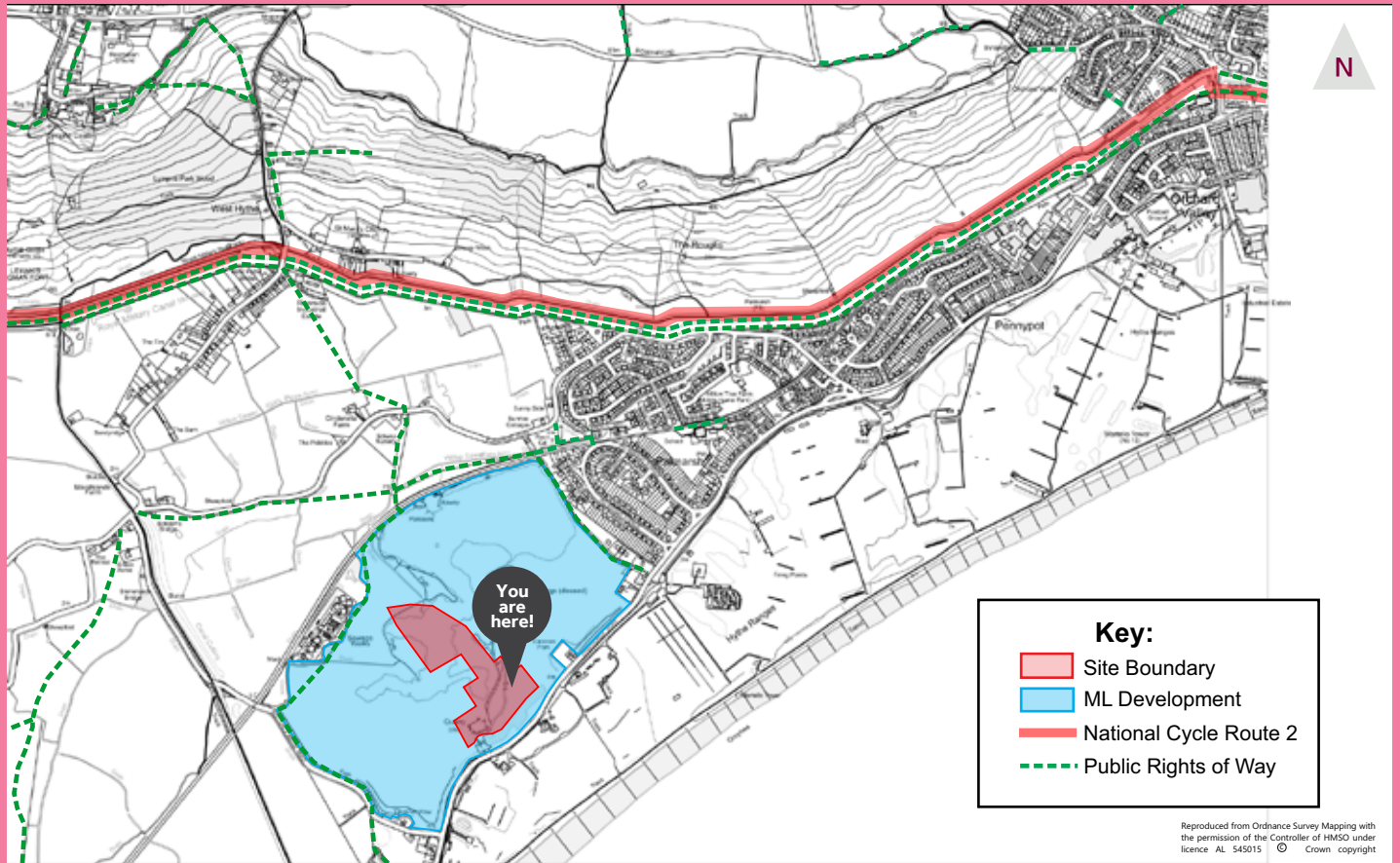
And did you know about the government's 'Cycle to Work' scheme? This is a government initiative which offers employees who want to cycle to work the opportunity to get a new bike and accessories, tax-free. So far, the scheme has contributed to help more than 1.6 million commuters to cycle to work. Read more about it here:

www.cyclinguk.org

Places you might cycle to...



Local cycle/walking routes



On the bus...

Stop fuelling around!



Relax and let someone else drive you there

Don't worry about the cost of parking once you reach your destination; relax and let someone else do the driving – for whatever reason you are travelling, taking the bus can be less stressful and more relaxing than driving.

Martello Lakes is the closest bus stop to your home located approximately 600m on the A259, Dymchurch Road. You can walk to the bus stop in 9 minutes, or cycle in just 2 minutes!

The Stagecoach South East 102/103 services and R & J Coaches BS1 (school service) operate from your nearest bus stop every day of the week, connecting you to Folkestone and Lydd. The 102/103 services operate with a combined frequency of up to one service every 30 minutes. The R & J Coaches BS1 school bus to Saltwood also services this bus stop.

If you catch the bus from Hythe, there are bus stops located on Scanlons Bridge Road. From here you can catch bus services 10/10A, 18 and 104, providing access to various destinations including Dover, Canterbury and Ashford.

Bus time information

Real time bus information can be accessed on the Traveline website www.traveline.info or app. Traveline is a very useful service for accessing information on bus services in your local area. It is also possible to view timetables and bus service routes from the app. Download from the App Store on Apple or Android by searching 'Traveline'.

To help you plan your journey you can text the bus stop code from which you are travelling from to Traveline '84268' and receive the real time information for upcoming services. Or you can visit www.nextbuses.mobi and search for your bus stop online.

Take the
bus and lose
the fuss!

Service	Route	Code	Frequency		
			Monday - Friday	Saturday	Sunday
BS1*	Greatstone-on-Sea – Hythe – Saltwood	kntjwjaw	One service at 07:58	No service	No service
	Saltwood – Hythe – Greatstone-on-Sea		One service at 15:29	No service	No service
10/10A	Folkestone - Hythe - Ashford	kntdgdaw	08:36 - 18:32 Hourly	08:36 - 18:32 Hourly	No service
	Ashford - Hythe - Folkestone		06:56 - 19:09 Hourly	08:13 - 19:09 Hourly	
18	Hythe - Canterbury	kntdgdaw	07:15 - 17:10 Every 2.5 hours	07:20 - 17:10 Every 2.5 hours	No service
102	Folkestone - Hythe - Lydd	kntjwjaw	07:24 – 19:34 Hourly	07:24 – 19:34 Hourly	07:22 - 19:34 Hourly
	Lydd - Hythe - Folkestone		06:58 - 22:00 Hourly	06:58 - 22:00 Hourly	08:58 - 21:00 Hourly
103	Folkestone - Hythe - Lydd	kntjwjaw	08:00 - 22:39 Hourly	08:00 - 22:39 Hourly	08:00 - 22:29 Hourly
	Lydd - Hythe - Folkestone		07:28 - 23:24 Hourly	07:28 - 23:24 Hourly	09:28 - 19:28 Hourly
104	Hythe (Light Railway Station) - Folkestone - Dover	kntdgdaw	06:37 – 17:52 Half Hourly	06:37 – 17:52 Half Hourly	07:52 – 19:22 Half Hourly

*School Bus Service Operating on School Days Only

On the bus...



just take the bus and lose the fuss!

Travelling by bus regularly?

To help you find your way around by bus we are offering you the opportunity to receive a **FREE 1-month Folkestone MegaRider Xtra** bus ticket (1 per household) valid on Stagecoach bus services within the Folkestone Hythe & Hawkinge travel zone. See the enclosed travel voucher for more details of how to redeem this offer.

Concessionary fares:

If you are over the age of 65, or disabled, you are eligible to qualify for a free concessionary pass. This enables you to travel on services anywhere in England between 9:30am and 11pm Monday to Friday, and all day at weekends and bank holidays. To apply for concessionary travel passes visit:

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/travelling-around-kent/bus-travel/bus-passes-and-tickets/bus-passes-for-older-or-disabled-people>

or call **03000 41 83 83**.

For further travel information on routes and timetables, please contact:

Stagecoach
www.stagecoachbus.com
0345 241 8000

R&J Coaches
www.randjcoachesltd.co.uk
01303 813 696

Traveline
www.traveline.info
0871 200 22 33

Enjoy your journey

- Read a book or the newspaper on your way to work or to the shop ...or just relax, enjoy the scenery or catch up on some sleep until you arrive at your destination
- Where routes have dedicated bus lanes, you can avoid sitting in traffic jams
- No need to drive around trying find a parking space, or pay the charges
- Total flexibility, no restricting parking tickets.
- Meet up and go for a drink with your friends, someone else will drive you home.
- Season tickets offer unlimited travel on services and can prove cheaper to filling your car up and the associated maintenance costs.

Bus routes



On the right tracks...

Beat the rush and take the train...

Travelling by rail provides a fast, efficient and regular option, whether travelling for business or pleasure. The nearest station to your home is Sandling Railway station, operated by Southeastern and located approximately 6km away from your home. The station has a degree of step-free access and is equipped with a ramp for train access.

This station offers a number of services to destinations across the southeast and London.

For further information please contact:

www.southeasternrailway.co.uk

0345 322 7021

www.nationalrail.com

08457 48 49 50

- Rail travel could save you time and money, and help you reduce your carbon footprint.
- You don't have to worry about traffic jams or speeding fines.
- You can lose yourself in a good book or catch up on some sleep.
- You can catch up on your work, or even have a meeting!
- You can arrive in at the centre of your destination and avoid paying for the car park.

You could take the train to the following destinations; we've also listed approx journey times:



Folkstone
Central



Dover
Priory



Ashford
International



Tonbridge



Sevenoaks



London
Bridge



London
Charing Cross



A woman with dark hair, wearing a blue and white striped tank top and a black watch, is sitting in a blue upholstered chair next to a large window. She is smiling and looking out the window, with her hand resting on her chin. The window shows a blurred view of a city street with buildings and a car. A red circular graphic with white text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

Just sit
back and
relax!

Travel by Taxi...

Getting to the station



Travelling by train provides a fast, efficient and frequent option, whether travelling for business or pleasure.

Sandling Railway Station can be reached from your home in one bus transfer and as little as 32 minutes. Take the Stagecoach 102 or 103 bus service to Red Lion Square bus stop in Hythe town centre. From here, change and take the Stagecoach 10 or 18 bus service, which goes directly to Sandling Railway Station.

Sandling Railway Station can be access via a 30-minute cycle from your home. Cycle parking is available at the station with 4 stands. Cycle storage is available on all trains for non-folding bicycles during non-peak. However, restrictions apply during peak times. Check on Southeastern Railway's website for further information.

Car Parking is available at the station but can be expensive. You can save yourself some money by taking the bus or cycling to/from the station or by car sharing with someone you know.

Sandling station has neither a taxi rank nor a cab office. Advance booking is essential. Consider using local operators – contact details are provided within this pack.

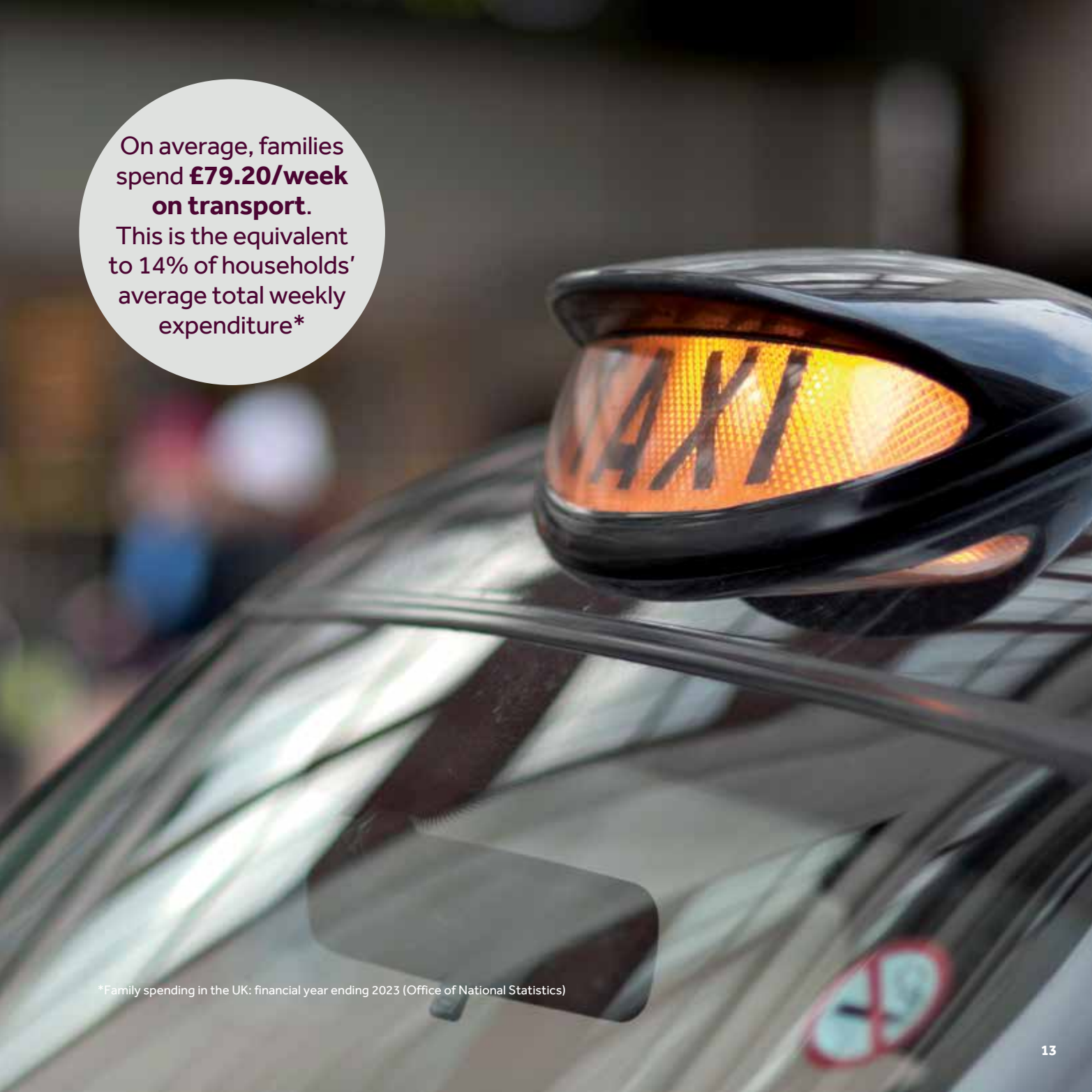
Travel by taxi... not such a luxury as it sounds – especially when you share

Taxis can offer a good option for linking journeys such as trips by public transport and for travelling out of hours. Taxis are convenient and cut parking time and charges, they also reduce worry about directions.

Below is a list of your local taxi firm operators:

Folkestone Taxi	01303 252000
J J Taxis	01303 244442
Channel Cars Folkestone	01303 252252
Shepway Taxis	01303 888888
Premier Taxis	01303 270000
Rai Taxi Folkestone	07877 573069

For your journey destination traintaxi.co.uk can be used to find out the phone numbers of taxis serving most stations in England.



On average, families
spend **£79.20/week**
on transport.

This is the equivalent
to 14% of households'
average total weekly
expenditure*

*Family spending in the UK: financial year ending 2023 (Office of National Statistics)

On the road...

Got a spare seat, why not share your car journey?

One way of reducing the costs of travelling by car is to 'car share' or 'liftshare'. As well as saving you money you will also help the environment by reducing your carbon footprint. Many work places have dedicated parking for car sharers and it's also a great way to meet new people and make new friends!

Car sharing can be done when travelling to work, going shopping, on the school run or in fact any journey you make!

The following public car share databases enable you to search for journey matches and these are all **free** to use:

 liftshare.com/uk/community/km

 blablacar.com

 liftshare.com

Why not try it out, to search for other people travelling on similar routes to you. Your personal details will not be displayed to other users.

Follow these simple guidelines when meeting up with your lift for the first time:

- Agree a convenient pick up point e.g. an open and public space, such as a bus stop or outside a shop
- Arrange to meet near public transport links so you have an alternative means of travelling should the lift fall through
- The first time you lift share with a stranger, satisfy yourself as to his or her identity. You could ask for ID, such as a passport or driving licence
- Find out what colour and model of car to expect. If you want to share with the same sex only, then you can indicate this when you search for a match
- Tell a friend or family member when and where you are travelling and with whom

So why don't you sit back and relax and let someone else do the driving!

Save money by car sharing...



...when
travelling to
work

...when
going
shopping

...when
on the
school run

...when
going to
the gym

**in fact...
any journey
you make!**

A close-up photograph of a person's hands gripping a black steering wheel. The background is a bright, hazy sun shining through a car window, creating a warm, golden glow. The dashboard and instrument cluster are visible in the lower right.

Share
the
journey

Shopping locally and home delivery

Live local... shop local

Check
it out!

An easy way to cut the cost of car travel is to shop locally.

There are a range of shops and services close to your new home, which can provide you with everything you need.

Why not also support your local community by visiting the 'Hythe Farmers Market', located outside the Methodist Church Hall. The market is held on the 2nd and 4th Saturday every month from 10am to 1pm. For more information, visit: www.kfma.org.uk/Hythe.

Take the stress and the drive out of your weekly shop. The closest Sainsbury's to your home is located on Military Road approximately 3.6km northeast of your home and provides home-delivery services on purchases over £40 when shopping online. Your nearest Waitrose store similarly offers delivery to home on purchases over £40. Waitrose is located on Prospect Road, approximately 4.3km northeast of your home.

Home delivery is an easy way to reduce the need to use your car. For more information log onto:

www.waitrose.com

www.sainsburys.co.uk

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Sainsbury's





Support
your local
shops

PEARS
53-LB £1.17 KG

SATSUMA'S
53-LB £1.19 KG

PELIMS
£1.22 LB £2.59 KG

WHITE GRAPES
£3.12 LB £8.86 KG

TOMATOES
85-LB £1.89 KG

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Linden Homes...

Who we are

Linden Homes builds award-winning homes across the country in prime locations, striving to create sustainable new developments.

We work with local people to create communities and we're passionate about building the right homes for our customers. As a responsible developer we are focused on providing new opportunities, support for charity projects, engaging with local actions groups and delivering necessary skills. Since 2010, over £132m has been committed to improving the local communities in which we build.



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Contacts and links...

To help you with planning your journey we have provided below a list of useful contact numbers and links

Travel plan coordinator

Stuart Michael Associates

 stuartmichael.co.uk

 01635 867 711

 travelplans@stuartmichael.co.uk

For any enquiries regarding the Travel Plan and travel options.

Kent County Council

 kent.gov.uk/

 03000 41 41 41

Local council contact details.

Bus

Stagecoach Bus

 stagecoachbus.com

 0345 241 8000

Operates many of the local bus services.

R&J Coaches

 randjcoachesltd.co.uk

 01303 813 696

Operate some of the local bus services.

Rail

National rail enquiries

 nationalrail.co.uk

 08457 48 49 50

Trainline

 thetrainline.com

 0871 200 22 33

Southeastern Railway

 southeasternrailway.co.uk

 0345 322 7021

Cycle

Decathlon

 decathlon.co.uk

 +447976630897

Decathlon is where you can redeem your Gift Voucher.

Cyclestreets

 cyclestreets.net

Sustrans

 sustrans.org.uk

Information about all travel modes and activities, particularly cycling.

Journey Sharing

 www.liftshare.com/uk/community/km

 www.blablacar.co.uk

Local and National carshare database.

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