

The future of Dover



The hated Burlington House

The future of Dover is a topic at the forefront of discussions nowadays, seemingly on everyone's lips and in everyone's mind. At last the A20 is finished and now – What next?

A questionnaire distributed to members at the October and November meetings asked members to comment on (a) the A20 and (b) the future of Dover. The answers to Question A were used in Newsletter 18 in the main article on the A20, and the answers to Question B in Newsletter 19. At the January meeting members who had not had an opportunity to fill in the questionnaire earlier added their responses to Question B, thus increasing the number of replies to the question, which asked:

“Faced with the various plans and proposals for improving Dover in the next few years (i.e. Impact/Western Docks Development/White Cliffs Business Park*/ new hotels/superstore/future of the Farthingloe site/etc.) please give your suggestions or ideas of what you think would most benefit the town.”

As was the case with the replies to Question A, the responses were too numerous and too lengthy for each one to be quoted in full so the following summary represents the collated views of members, in some cases with verbatim extracts. Where exact words are quoted the member's name is given. The Editor would like to thank all the members who completed this section of the questionnaire.

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