



As the eyes of the golfing world fall on Sandwich I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you back to Kent and the historic Royal St George's Golf Club here in East Kent for the 140th Open Championship.

Aside from watching what I hope will be another superb

Championship, there are a full range of leisure pursuits for you to engage in and with a wide range of restaurants to choose from or a quick trip over to our near neighbours in France.

I look forward to welcoming you back to Sandwich in 2011 and I am confident that the road and rail improvements made since 2003, such as the High Speed train service from St Pancras, will make this the most accessible Open ever held at Sandwich. I hope that you will enjoy your time here and that The Open Championship in 2011 is an enjoyable experience.

Paul Watkins, Leader of Dover District Council



I am very excited that the Open Golf Championship is returning to East Kent once again to Royal St George's. The event brings spectacle and colour to East Kent and a significant boost to our economy and tourism industry.

Kent is developing a reputation for hosting world level sports events,

which in recent years have included the Tour de France and the World Cup Archery, to name just a few. The Open Golf is yet another of these events, which raise the profile of this County worldwide.

We have been working with Dover District Council, other local authorities and groups and Kent Police to seek to ensure that the roads and other transport systems will get you to and from the course with as little delay as possible.

I hope that you have a thoroughly enjoyable visit to this great event in the 'The Garden of England' and return soon to sample other attractions in this beautiful part of the country.

Paul Carter, Leader of Kent County Council



Welcome to the historic Cinque Port town of Sandwich for the 140th Open Championship. This event is one of the world's most prestigious sporting competitions, and is likely to attract in the region of 200,000 spectators.

Kent Police is working closely with The R&A, Kent County Council, Dover District Council, Kent Highways Services and many other agencies to ensure your visit is a safe and memorable one.

Sandwich is a medieval town with narrow streets. Whilst every effort has been made to minimise the impact to local residents, businesses and visitors, it is inevitable that such a large influx of people will cause some disruption and traffic congestion.

However, if you travel to Sandwich, please allow plenty of time for your journey. If you are travelling by road, please follow the routes outlined in this leaflet. They have been chosen to offer the safest and quickest means to enter and exit the event. You are likely to encounter substantial delays if you deviate from these routes.

Designated car parks are the most secure places to leave your vehicle. You can reduce the risk of crime by locking your vehicle and removing valuables from view.

Andy Adams, Assistant Chief Constable, Kent Police

Remember:

- Travel safely
- Stick to designated routes
- Driving restrictions will apply in the Sandwich area
- Unlawfully parked vehicles will be towed away
- Anticipate delays and congestion during peak hours (7-11am and 5-9pm)
- Ensure you have sufficient fuel for any traffic delays
- Take advantage of the Park and Ride facility

Protect your property

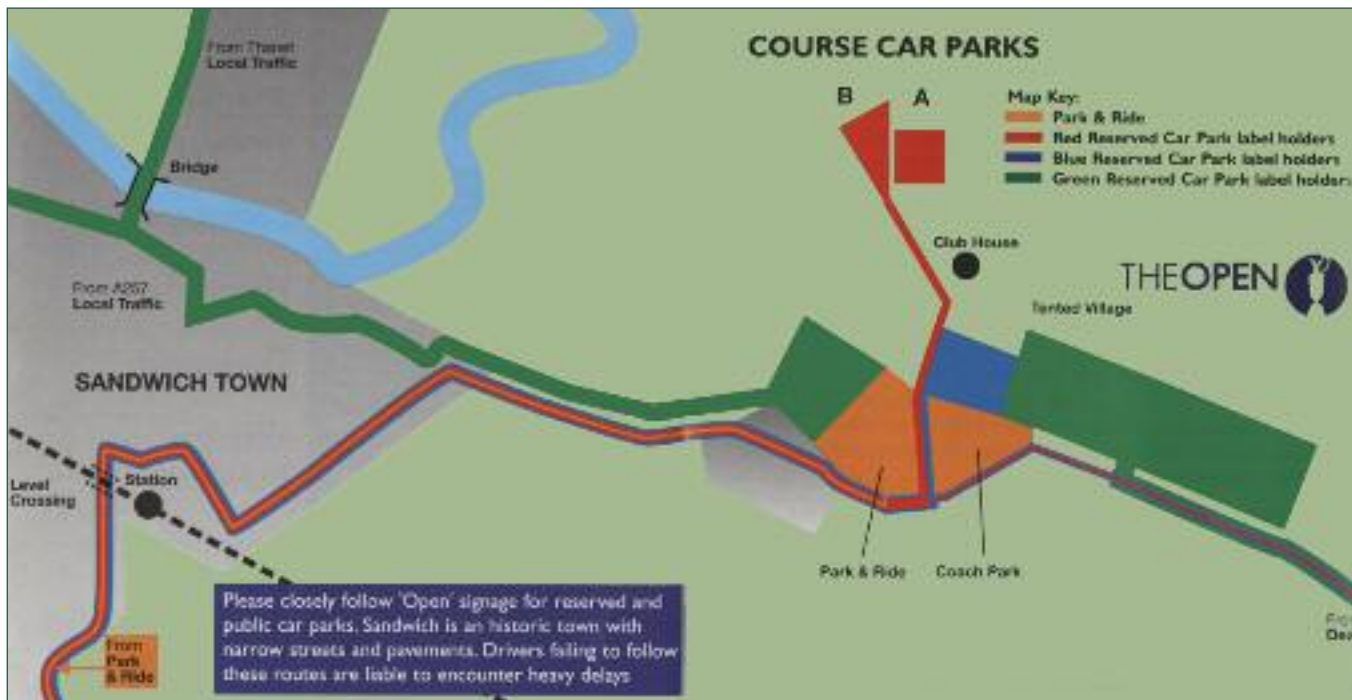
- Lock your vehicle and close windows and the sunroof
- Remove all valuables, including sat navs, phones, laptops and car stereos
- Clean any sat nav suction marks from the windscreen
- Keep jackets and personal belongings out of sight

Look after pets/animals

- Do not leave animals in your vehicle - even with windows open or when parked in the shade, vehicle temperatures can rise rapidly, causing distress and suffering.



TRAVEL INFORMATION



Car Parking:

All reserved, public and coach parks will be well sign posted on all approach routes. If you have a reserved car park label please display this clearly as soon as possible.

Drivers without reserved car park labels are strongly advised to use the Park and Ride facility. This car park can be accessed from all main routes and buses will transfer passengers to within a few hundred yards of the Clubhouse. Patrons of the Park and Ride will avoid delays on exiting the venue as buses will be given priority on designated routes.

Traffic reports will be broadcast on local and national radio. Full details of frequencies will be indicated on the designated routes.

Travel by Rail:

Southeastern Railway will operate train services from London and throughout Kent, including High Speed services from St. Pancras International. For further details contact National Rail Enquiries on 0845 7 48 49 50 or visit

www.southeasternrailway.co.uk

Royal St. George's is 3/4 mile from Sandwich station and a limited shuttle bus service will operate between the station and the course.

Getting around:

Local buses run throughout the day but less frequently in the evening. Timetable information is available from Stagecoach in East Kent. National Express Coaches operates services to East Kent from London Victoria Coach Station.

Useful phone numbers

Dover District Council Open Golf Office 01304 872788
 Dover Visitor Information Centre 01304 205108
 P&O Ferries 0871 664 5645
 SeaFrance 0871 423 7119
 Norfolk Line 0844 847 5042

LD Lines 0844 576 8836
 Eurotunnel 0844 335 3535
 Eurostar 08432 186 186
 National Express 0871 781 8178
 Stagecoach East Kent Buses 0870 243 3711
 Southeastern Railway 0845 000 2222
 Highways Agency Live Traffic Information 08700 600 115



Kent Police advises all motorists travelling to The Open to use the designated routes and these are as follows:

Travelling from the M25:

Drivers should exit the M25 at junction 2 and follow the A2(M2) Coast bound, At Junction 7 of the M2, all vehicles should take the left hand slip lane and follow the signs turning right onto the A2 (towards Canterbury/Dover). Drivers should follow the A2 towards Dover and the ferry terminal. Drivers will then be clearly directed to the Park and Ride or towards their allocated car parks via either the A256 or the A258.

Travelling from South Kent:

It is not recommended that any drivers other than local traffic from South Kent use the M20, A20 route through Dover Town Centre. Local traffic using this route should follow the signs onto the A2 (Jubilee Way) after which they will clearly be directed along either the A258 or the A256.

Travelling from East Kent:

It is not recommended that any drivers other than local traffic from East Kent use the A257 Sandwich Road (via Wingham) or the A256 Sandwich Road (from Thanet). Local traffic using these routes should follow the signs. NOTE – there will be restricted access through Sandwich Town.