

## *A Young Person's View of Dover*

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*So what do you think about Dover? Well I think that Dover needs a lot more work put in to it. Dover is unclean and untidy. Dover is meant to be a historic and touristic town, so let's take pride in it.*

*When tourists visit they want to see a nice, clean, tidy and interesting town not somewhere unpleasant, smelly and unclean.*

*Dover needs to be a bit more colourful with no rubbish on the ground, so what do we need to stop this? I think that we should have more rubbish bins around the town, and hire people to plant more attractive colourful flowers around the town as well. The planters in the town should be full of bright coloured flowers around the trees. At present they look drab and untidy. All the lampposts should have hanging flower baskets and be watered every day. One person could be employed to do this and he or she could be helped by people who are out of work. More roundabouts could be sponsored by businesses to have flowers on and to be kept tidy.*

*Some of the historic buildings and old shops need to be cleaned, tidied up and painted. The streets need to be cleaned every day and washed regularly. People should be encouraged to keep their gardens and house fronts neat and tidy and take pride in where they live. Those who have been sentenced to community service should be made to do the clearing up, tidying and watering. They could also do up the front gardens of old or disabled people who cannot do it for themselves.*

*All dog owners should pick their dog waste up and not just leave it on the ground for people to step in it. I think that we need more dog waste bins in Dover not just the odd one or two. The ones we have now always seem full and overflowing: they need to be emptied more often.*

*People should be helped to start new shops that sell what people want. There are too many charity shops. We need a proper hospital and a bowling alley in the town.*

*I think that we should get more police on the streets on foot patrol. Why do so many top police need posh cars and drivers? Can't they drive themselves?*

*With a little bit of effort we can all make Dover a nicer place to live in.*