RTPI Good Practice Note 5: Delivering Healthy Communities

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About the GPN...

- Follows on from...
 - Planning & Health briefing paper (EPPN Health Task Group, 2006)
 - RTPI Health and Spatial Planning Policy statement (2007)
- Format
- What it is, and what it does





Parks and Green Space

- Provide local open spaces in all settings
- Promote park partnerships
- Design in trees and greenery to streets and transport routes
- Plan strategically for overall greenness across the authority/city
- Quality is important, particularly where quantity is limited
- Good design is green design



Transport & road safety

- Prioritise active travel modes
- Provide a comprehensive network of routes
- Integrate active travel networks with public transport
- Promote active travel in new developments
- Design transport systems that give access to key services
- Identify and reduce transport severance, noise and pollution
- Meet the needs of all groups, particularly those experiencing health inequalities

Resources

- GPN Part D Further Information
- RTPI Practice Signposts
 http://www.rtpi.org.uk/item/362&ap=1#HealthandSpatial
 Planning
- Environmental Planning & Practice Network (Healthy Communities Group)
 http://www.rtpi.org.uk/environment_planning_and_prote_ction_network/