Planning healthy cities

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Jan. 2015 - A quick overview of the latest guidance and evidence on current issues such as smoking, sexual health, health inequalities, mental health, obesity, substance abuse, women's health – in fact anything that you ask for!

If you have a topic suggestion, please email it to Rachel Posaner.

Public Health England

Spatial planning for health: evidence reviews

NHS Evidence

Healthy Urban Planning Checklist
Natural Solutions to Tackling Health Inequalities
Understanding the relationships between the physical environment and physical activity in older adults: a systematic review of qualitative studies
Health-integrated planning at the local level in England: Impediments and opportunities
Built environment and physical activity

World Health Organization

WHO European Healthy Cities Network
Healthy cities. Promoting health and equity – evidence for local policy and practice. Summary evaluation of Phase V of the WHO European Healthy Cities Network
Developing national action plans on transport, health and environment
Addressing the social determinants of health: the urban dimension and the role of local government

The King's Fund

Health and spatial planning

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Integration of health into urban spatial planning through impact assessment: Identifying governance and policy barriers and facilitators
Urban Planning for Healthy Cities
The health benefits of urban green spaces: a review of the evidence
Health in all policies for big cities
Joining up health and planning: how Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) can inform health and wellbeing strategies and spatial planning
The influence of urban design on neighbourhood walking following residential relocation: longitudinal results from the RESIDE study
Designing healthy communities
(Re) Designing the built environment to support physical activity: Bringing public health back into urban design and planning
Health and the built environment: 10 years after
Healthy places, active transport and path dependence: a review of the literature

DEFRA
Protecting and enhancing our urban and natural environment to improve public health and wellbeing

Local Government Association
Planning, transport and health inequalities
Public health transformation nine months on – bedding in and reaching out

Town and Country Planning Association
Reuniting health with planning
Planning healthier places 2013

Royal Town Planning Institute
RTPI gives evidence to MPs on planning and health issues
Planning Horizons - Promoting Healthy Cities

Spatial Planning and Health Group
Steps to Healthy Planning – Proposals for Action

Other relevant organisations
UK Healthy Cities Network
Eurocities
Healthy Places
Healthy Urban Development Unit
Living Streets
Design Council

HMIC
Shaping cities for health: complexity and the planning of urban environments in the 21st century

The Conversation
You are where you live: health, wealth and the built environment
Our cities need more trees and water, not less, to stay liveable
Our cities need more green spaces for rest and play — here’s how
Sky scraper boom in London ought to prompt greener cities

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Global science programme to focus on urban wellbeing
How town planning can make us thin and healthy
Belfast celebrates 25 years as healthy city
Healthy cities call for ambitious, big picture, connected thinking
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