



## Kent Learning Disability Partnership Board Minutes

Date : 19th September 2019- 10:00 am—1.00 pm  
Venue : Darent Room, Sessions House,  
Maidstone, ME14 1XQ

### Who was there?

#### Attendees:

**Penny Southern** - KCC, Joint Chair of the Kent LD Partnership Board  
**Daniel Hewitt** - Joint Chair of the Kent LD Partnership Board  
**Clair Bell** - KCC, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Public Health  
**Graham Gibbens** - KCC, Vice Chairman  
**Alex Scott** - Joint Chair of the 'Keeping Safe' Delivery Group  
**Anita Dew** - Joint Co-Chair of the 'What I Do' Delivery Group

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## Who was there? (Continued)

### Attendees:

**Charlie Watson**  
**Cheryl Pannell** - Aspens  
**Chris Evans** - Parent Carer  
**Damien Ellis** - KCC, Head of Service Provision  
**Gemma Bridges** - Aspens  
**Heather Randle** - KCC, Strategic Public Health Commissioner  
**Jane Wilson** - Operations Manager, PCAS Kent  
**Janine Jacquin** - Aspens  
**Jo Baxter** - Aspens  
**Karen Edwards** - KCC, Business Support Officer  
**Karen Loughrill** - East Kent Mencap  
**Keith Wyncoll** - Bemix  
**Linda Bailey** - Aspens  
**Louise Flatman** - North Kent Independent Advocacy Scheme (NKIAS)  
**Matt Clifton** - Bemix, Chief Executive  
**Michael Lillis** - Self Advocate, Bemix  
**Michelle Hosken** - East Kent Mencap  
**Mick Cronin** - Kent Police, Joint Chair of the 'Keeping Safe' Group  
**Paula Watson** - KCC, Commissioning Manager  
**Rachel Jones** - Director of Acute Strategy and Partnerships, K&M STP  
**Richard Smith** - KCC, Interim Portfolio Manager  
**Sam Holman** - Joint Chair of the 'Good Health' Delivery Group  
**Sammy Lamb** - Self Advocate, Bemix  
**Sharry Madden** - KCC, Unison Representative  
**Steve Chapman** - Joint Co-Chair of the 'What I Do' Delivery Group  
**Toni Easdown** - KCC, Customer Engagement Officer (minutes)  
**Trevor Cave** - Self Advocate, Bemix (via Skype for part of the meeting)  
**Trevor Chapman** - Parent Carer  
**Vanessa Cowley** - East Kent Mencap  
**Xan Brooker** - KCC, Joint Chair of the 'Good Health' Delivery Group

### Apologies

**Clare Lawrence** - KCC, Area Manager, Young People's Service  
**Clare Maynard** - KCC, Head of Commissioning Portfolio—Outcome 2 & 3  
**Ellie Murphy** - Area Manager, PCAS Kent  
**Ian Haylock** - KCC, Joint Co-Chair of the 'What I Do' Delivery Group  
**Jill Haskell** - Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust  
**Linda Chapman** - Parent Carer  
**Peter Boyce** - Parent Carer  
**Sue Bates** - East Kent Mencap  
**Tanya Orchin** - North Kent Independent Advocacy Scheme (NKIAS)

## Welcome



Penny and Daniel welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Daniel read the ground rules and everyone introduced themselves to the group.

Daniel told everyone that Clair Bell is the new Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health.

Clair will be coming along to future Board Meetings instead of Graham Gibbens who is now the KCC Vice Chairman.

Penny said that Clair was at another meeting, but she was going to try to come along to the meeting later to say hello to everyone.



## Thank you to Graham Gibbens

Daniel thanked Graham Gibbens for all his hard work with the Board and presented Graham with some chocolates and cans of coca cola.

Graham said it was a great pleasure chairing the Board and he did miss it. Graham said it was one of the most enjoyable and useful things he had ever done.



Graham is hoping to invite the Board to an event next year.

A photo was then taken with Graham and some members of the Board.

# Feedback from the Delivery Groups

## Good Health Group - Xan Brooker and Sam Holman



Good Health

Xan and Sam showed the Board the cervical screening and smear test presentation that was covered at the last Good Health Group meeting.

Xan and Sam are both part of the steering group for this. Sam has been acting as a co-production lead on some work to make SMEAR tests better. Sam is being an expert by experience

Sam has been going to a Steering Group to tell them what she thought of their plans to make SMEAR tests better for women with learning disabilities. Sam told the Steering Group that she threw her smear test papers away when she first got them.



One of the GPs at the Steering Groups said he didn't like the script for women with learning disabilities and Sam told him that it wasn't about him.



The Good Health Group have decided more work does need to be done to support and take this work forward. Xan said the next thing is to work on questions to ask women about their experience to see if things have got better and fix it if it's not.

Penny thanked Sam and said how brilliant the easy read presentation was.

There was a general group discussion on health screening.

**Action: Damien agreed to talk to his teams and get feedback on how KCC can support health screening going forward.**

**Action: Damien/Penny to pick up the issue of health screening with the CQC**

# Feedback from the Delivery Groups (continued)

## What I Do Group - Steven Chapman and Anita Dew

The Group have been working with the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) who came along to the last What I Do Group meeting to tell the group about Universal Credit and personal independent payments (PIP).



What I Do

The group have also been working on a map of accessible and welcoming places across Kent that people can go to (cafes, clubs etc).

## Keeping Safe Group - Mick Cronin

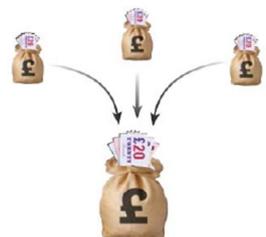


Keeping Safe

The Keeping Safe group are continuing to thrive with new members joining. Internet Safety was covered at the last meeting.

# Contracts for Residential and Supported Living

Paula presented an update to the Group on the contracts for Care Homes and Supported Living and thanked the group for all the feedback from the last meeting and afterwards.



The feedback was that there should be a good mix of options but with less residential and more supported living.

## Contracts for Residential and Supported Living (continued)

Paula asked the Board if the feedback represented their views. The general answer was yes.



Someone wanted to move out of their residential home and found it really difficult. Isn't residential living meant to support someone to be independent?



Yes it is and this will be monitored through the contract. This should be done through a person's social worker. It isn't just a tender process, it is a system change.

Richard Smith said that he would be happy to talk to people about this outside of the meeting.



What is the difference between Residential and Supported Living?



In a residential home, the whole home is registered with the CQC. With supported living, a person would pay their own rent, buy their own food and have someone coming in to support them. That support person is registered with CQC.

Daniel said he lives in supported accommodation. He has to pay his own rent, looks after his own bills and has his own key, but someone helps him along.



If you have mental health and health problems, it feels like you are at the back of the queue behind residential living if you are living independently. This is not recognised enough.



This is a really important point and we will look at this as part of the contract work being done. It should not make any difference whether someone is in residential or supported living.



Will the contract also cover people who want to move out of their parent home into supported living?



The contract will cover this.

# Future New Membership to the Board

Matt Clifton has been speaking to the Kent Integrated Care Alliance (KICA) and wanted to propose that they are invited to be represented on the Partnership Board.



The Board asked the following questions.



Who are KICA?



KICA are a large group of Kent providers for people with learning disabilities.



What proportion of organisations do they represent?



They do not cover all providers, but they do represent a good number of these. They also represent older people and the voluntary sector.

KICA would be able to help to get important messages out and bring more voices of people receiving care and support.

Board members then voted in favour of KICA being invited to be represented on the Partnership Board



**Action: Toni to invite KICA to attend the next Partnership Board meeting.**

## Welcome to Clair Bell



Penny introduced Clair to the Partnership Board members.

Clair is the new Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health and she will be coming along to future meetings.

Daniel presented Clair with some flowers to welcome her to the Partnership Board.

## Transforming Care in Kent and Medway

Penny welcomed Rachel Jones to the meeting and there was a discussion on the six Big Questions for Transforming Care presented at the last meeting.



There wasn't time at the meeting to cover all the questions fully so Matt proposed that the Group met with Penny and Daniel after the meeting to agree the best way to involve the Board going forward.

Penny and Matt thanked Rachel for attending and an action was agreed to make sure that Transforming Care continues to be a regular item on the agenda.



**Action: Transforming Care to continue to be a regular item on the agenda and an update is brought back to the next meeting on the best way to involve the Board going forward.**

## Actions from the last Meeting - 20 June 2019

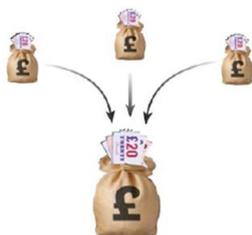
There was only one action from the previous meeting although there wasn't time to go through this at the meeting.

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At the meeting on 1st November 2018, the Board agreed that Sylvia Rolfe would be invited back in a year's time to update the group on Kent Advocacy. James Weekes is now managing Kent Advocacy instead of Sylvia.

**Toni spoke to James and he will come along to a future meeting.**

# Valuing People Now Funding after March 2020



Heather Randle gave a presentation to the group about future grant options and the proposal to explore a Direct Award. This would be for one year.

## Feedback from East Kent Mencap

Michelle and Vanessa gave a presentation on how East Kent Mencap have supported people over the last three years, things that are still continuing and plans for the future.



## Feedback from Aspens



Janine and group members from Aspens presented an update through a 'Living Book' on how Aspens have supported people over the last three years, things that are still continuing and plans for the future.

## Feedback from North Kent Independent Advocacy Scheme (NKIAS)

Louise and Linda gave a presentation on how NKIAS have supported people over the last three years, things that are still continuing and plans for the future



The presentations will be uploaded onto the Partnership Board website.

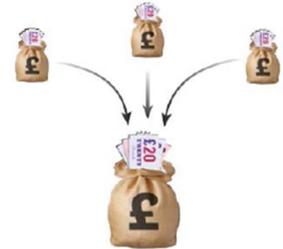
## Valuing People Now Funding after March 2020 (continued)

Penny thanked everyone for the presentations and all the fantastic work that is being done.

There are themes and there are some gaps. Is there anything that we want to do differently?

If something is working in an area, how do we share those good things and bring this all together?

Vanessa suggested sharing emails and Penny suggested having a list of what has happened over the last three years and sharing this.



Matt said that he really valued having part of the funding three years ago for social funding and transforming care. This has been unfunded for this year so Bemix have funded this from their own resources.



Penny confirmed that the funding came from the Transforming Care grant pot and not from this pot which was the reason why the funding was for a shorter period. This needs to be taken back to the Transforming Care Board.

Penny suggested that the presentations could be revisited at the next meeting

Penny thanked Heather for all her hard work.

Penny asked the Partnership Board if we should continue with the Direct Award proposal and there was a general agreement from the Board to support this.



## Presentations

A copy of all presentations from the Kent Learning Disability Partnership Board will be available on the Partnership's website:

[www.kentldpb.org.uk](http://www.kentldpb.org.uk)



## Next Board Meeting

Thursday 5th December 2019

10am to 1pm

Medway Room  
Sessions House  
County Hall  
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ME14 1XQ



10:00



1:00