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Dear Member

KENT COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP - WEDNESDAY, 15 MARCH 2017

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at next Wednesday, 15 March 2017 meeting of the Kent Community Safety Partnership, the following report(s) that were unavailable when the agenda was printed.

Agenda Item No

B5 Kent Drug and Alcohol Strategy - verbal update (Pages 3 - 12)

Yours sincerely

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**John Lynch
Head of Democratic Services**

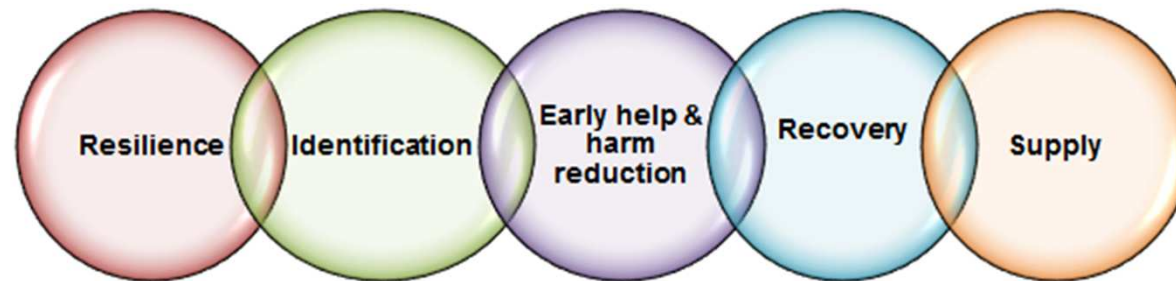
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Drug and Alcohol Strategy

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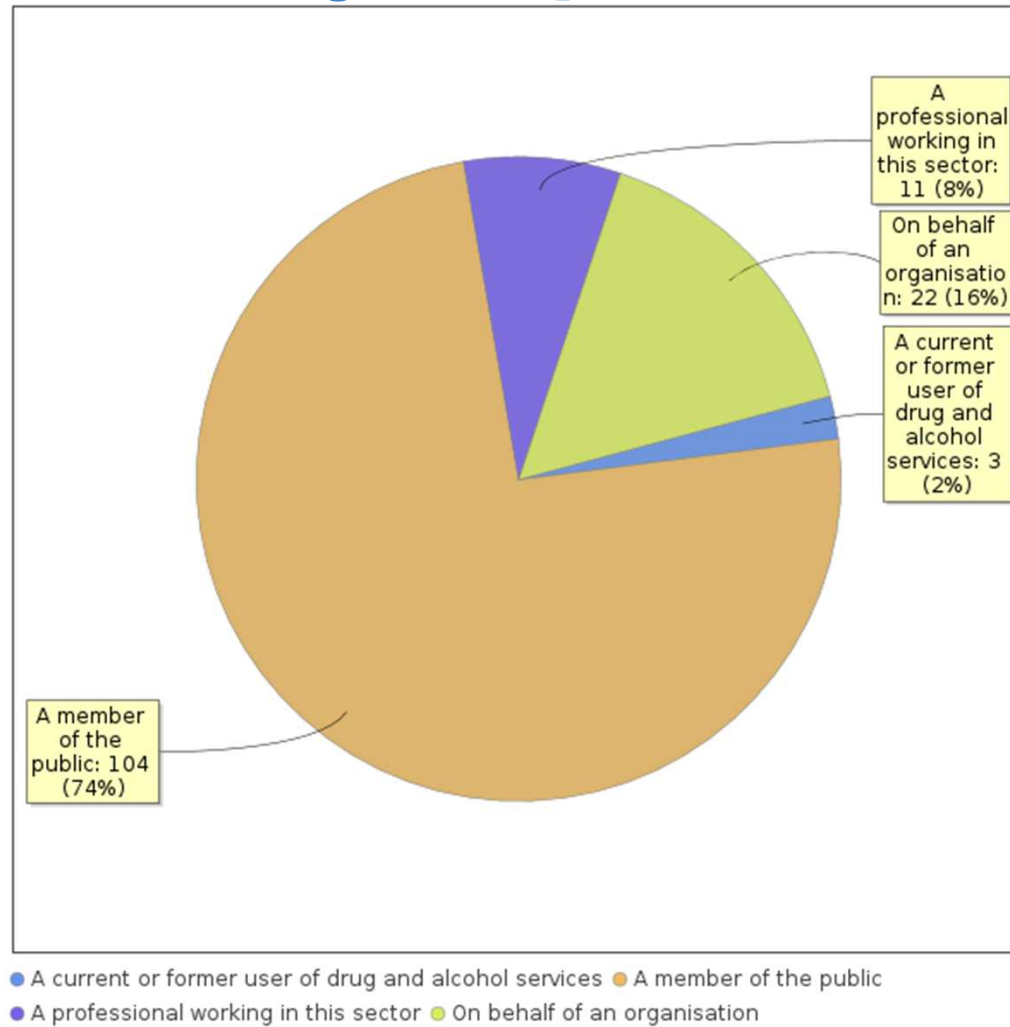
Kent Drug and Alcohol Strategy Strategic Themes



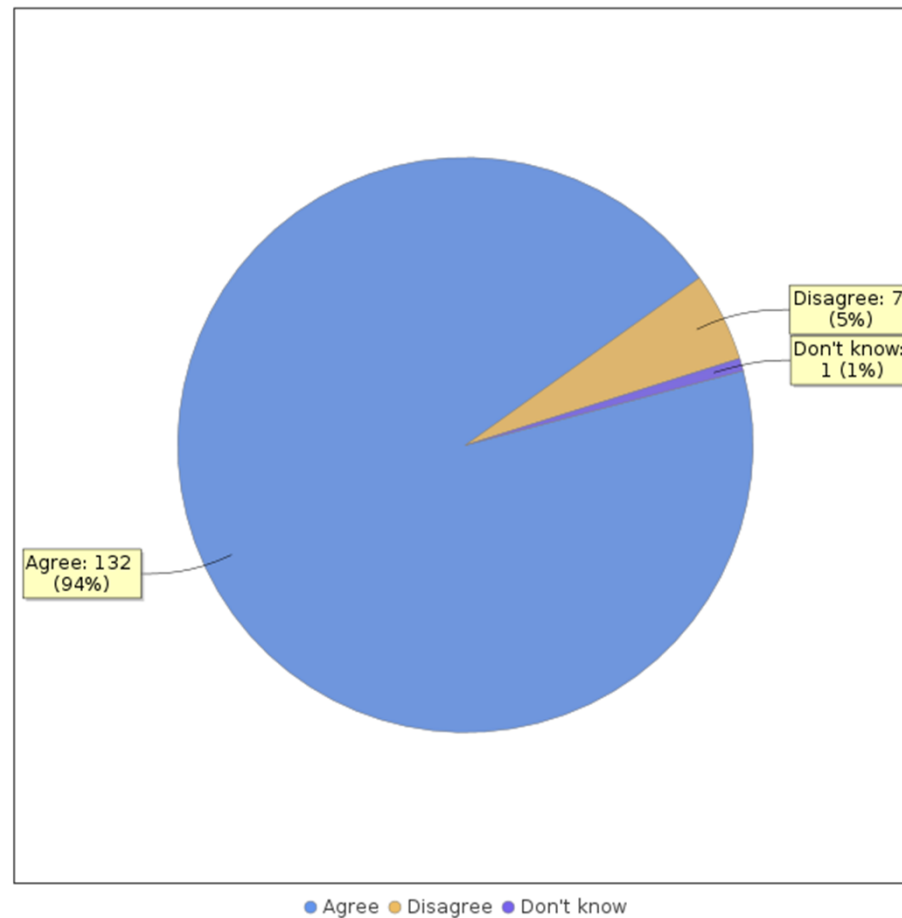
The consultation process

- Consultation phase included Survey
- Focus Groups – HMP Elmley, Service users (East Kent, West Kent and Children and Young Peoples Services), Mental Health service users
- Presented at various meetings - Community Safety Partnerships, exercise at K&M community safety conference, Health and Wellbeing Boards (County and Local), CCG Clinical Leadership Teams, Joint Kent Chiefs

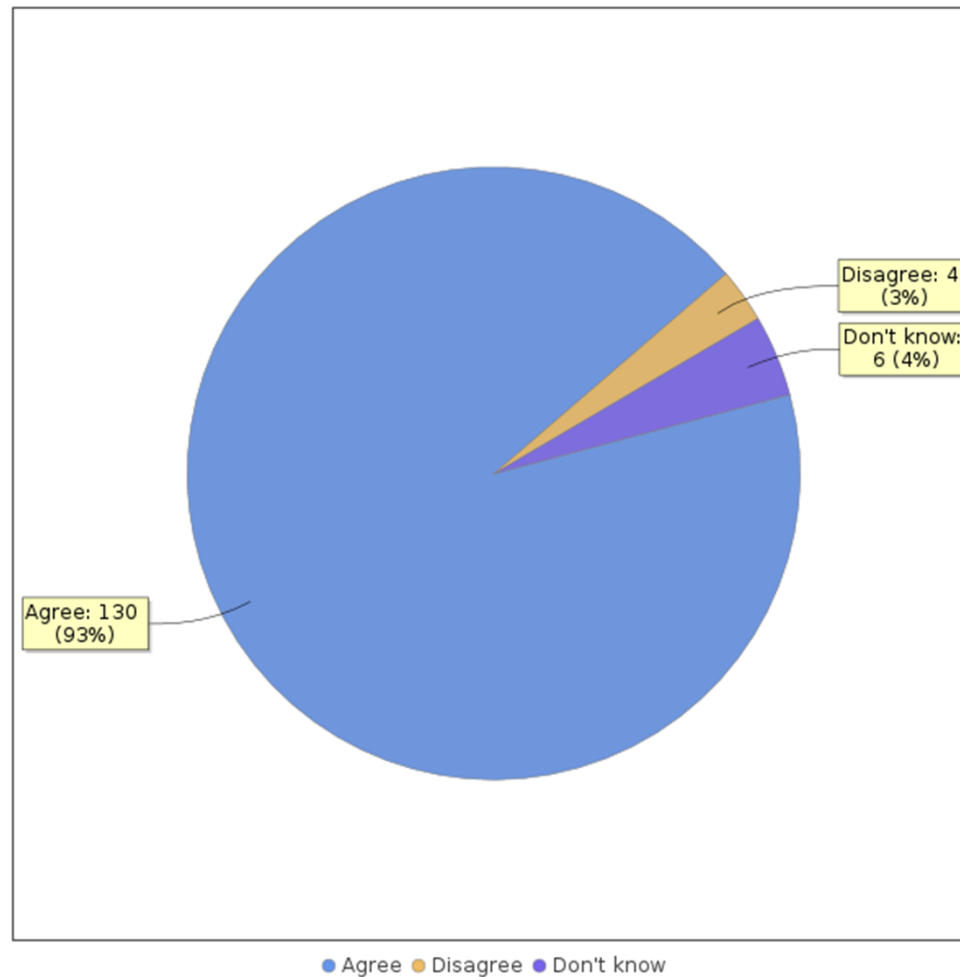
Survey respondents



Did respondents agree with aim of the strategy?



Good idea to have a combined Drug and Alcohol Strategy?



Survey

- Wide range of responses from across the county by individuals, Community Safety Partnership, parish councils, CCGs, NHS England
- Open question relating to comments on the strategy or suggestions of how it could be improved – wide range of responses for consideration

Key outcomes from Focus groups

- W Kent - KCC as a commissioner needs to be clearer in their specification contract to ensure service users know who the provider is.
- W Kent - Lack of appropriate support groups for people when they finish detox need it available more hours
- CYP- Poor experience of D&A education at school – group situation do not work individual would work well. Apps would work, leaflets do not work

Key outcomes from Focus groups

- CYP - Peer mentors - CYP who have made change and been through system
- E Kent - Develop a mandatory prison release group to support prisoners being released
- E Kent - Clearer referral for D&A (ie GP)
- HMP Elmley - Continuation of care when leave prison, Housing and homeless is an issue with many offender not qualifying, Smoke free – could result of use of other substances if in trouble for smoking they might as well use other substances

Next steps

- Final version will be taken to the Kent Drug and Alcohol Partnership at the end of April
- It will be taken to Adult Health and Social Care Cabinet in June
- It will be signed off by Cabinet member for Adult Social Care and Public health
- The strategy will be implemented via the Drug and Alcohol Joint Commissioning Group and outcomes monitored via the Kent Drug and Alcohol Partnership