KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

REGULATION COMMITTEE MENTAL HEALTH GUARDIANSHIP SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting of the Regulation Committee Mental Health Guardianship Sub-Committee held in the Council Chamber, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone on Wednesday, 11 March 2026.

PRESENT: Mr M Brown, Mr S Dixon, Mr A Kibble, Mr R Mayall, Mr T Mole, Ms C Nolan, Mrs B Porter (Vice-Chairman in the Chair), Mr C Sefton and Mr T L Shonk

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms H Savage (Democratic Services Officer) and Dr C Brodie (Policy and Quality Assurance Officer), Ms J Hudson (Principal Social Worker and Assistant Director, Policy, Practice and Quality Assurance, Strategic Safeguarding & DoLS)

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

1. Apologies and Substitutes
(Item 1)

There were no apologies.

2. Declarations of Interest by Members for items on the agenda
(Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 15 January 2025
(Item 3)

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 15 January 2025 were a correct record and that they be signed by the Chair.

4. The Local Authority's Guardianship Register
(Item 4)

1. Ms Janine Hudson (Principal Social Worker and Assistant Director, Policy, Practice & Quality Assurance, Strategic Safeguarding & DoLS) introduced the report which outlined the work of the Guardianship Quality and Scrutiny Panel during the period January 2025 to December 2025. She outlined the purpose of the Panel and highlighted the guardianship register, noting there were currently two individuals subject to guardianship.

2. Ms Hudson confirmed that since the last report to the Regulation Committee Mental Health Guardianship Sub-Committee there had not been a need for Members to adjudicate on the discharge of guardianship.

3. RESOLVED to note the report.