

Core Strategy Group Minutes
Tuesday 26th March 2013
12:30pm Pendragon, Invicta House, Maidstone

Meeting	Core Strategy Group		
Date & Time:	12 September 2013	Meeting No:	
Meeting Place:	Swale Room 3 Sessions House	Minutes By:	Pam McConnell KCC Customer & Communities Commissioned Services
Present:		Job Title:	
Melanie Anthony		KCC – Customer & Communities, Commissioned Services	
Peter Dosad		Dartford Borough Council Representing Alison Haines	
Gary Peskett		Canterbury County Council	
Wale Adetoro		Gravesham Borough Council	
Lauren Hemsley		Thanet Borough Council	
Sandra Sainsbury		Shepway Borough Council	
Paul Whitfield		Dover Borough Council	
Kevin Hetherington		Tunbridge Wells Borough Council	
Susannah Becker		KCC – Customer & Communities Commissioned Services	
Paula Watson		KCC - Families & Social Care Contracting representing Christy Holden	
Apologies:			
Diane Wright		KCC – Customer & Communities Head of Commissioned Services	
Tracey Kerly		Ashford Borough Council	
Jay Edwins		Sevenoaks District Council	
Angela Slaven		KCC – Director Service Improvement (Customer &Communities)	
Dave Garraway		KCC – Finance	
Amber Christou		Swale Borough Council	
Satnam Kaur		Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council	
Jane Elvis		Sevenoaks District Council	
Neil Coles		Maidstone Borough Council	
Howard Cohn		Kent Probation	
Sally Reid		Kent Probation (Representative for Howard Cohn)	
Christy Holden		KCC – Family & Social Care	
Alison Haines		Dartford Borough Council	

7.	<p>Finance</p> <p>The above paper gave an overview of the current budget spend. It was explained that this report was projecting a balanced budget at this time since the agreement at the Commissioning Body to utilise the underspend to extended the agreed contracts from November 2013 for the work within the Troubled families programme.</p> <p>In noting the report it was agreed for the group to discuss how services can be delivered more economically in line with the financial pressures for 2014/15 at the next meeting. Action 4</p>	PM/All
8.	<p>Commissioning Development Plan for Housing Related Support</p> <p>The report gave a broad outline of the commissioning intentions for housing related support services.</p> <p>The group were asked to suggest which services they felt were the highest priorities to be recommissioned and look to at reshaping the way services are delivered in a more holistic approach.</p> <p>It was agreed that services need to change from output to outcome focused working with partnership agencies linking in with the health agenda and tie it into Public Health targets with shared objectives to reduced things like hospital admissions and victimisation of Domestic Violence clients</p> <p>The following areas put forward as priorities were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Older people services – more flexible approach to sheltered housing, as the demand for this reduces and using monies more effectively and flexibly. Home Improvements Agency crucial in maintaining independence and preventing hospital admissions. Socialisation for the more rural communities enabling for a choice of where and how to live independently. • Homelessness – Needs analysis should provide a productive rationale for service provision • Learning difficulties – more low key long term help with managing independence look at a community based model • Ex-service personnel – explore what the need is to determine whether what type of support this client group require through substantive services or a dedicated service • Hoarding – concerns of the dangers for those who hoard with fire risks and health problems. Does this group require a different service model? <p>The group agreed for the paper to go forward to the Commissioning Body. The plan would evolve to give detail of the timeframe and priorities.</p>	
9.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>None minuted</p>	
	<p>Dates of future meetings</p> <p>6 December 2013 2.00pm – 4.00pm Sessions House</p>	