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 Hethe	erington	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 Kerl	у	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 Boroug	Dartford Borough Council	

Item No	Details of the Item/decisions taken	CSG Member responsible for action
1 & 2.	Apologies & Introductions The group introduced themselves and apologies were received from the above list of people.	
3.	Minutes of meeting 1 July 2013 The minutes were agreed as accurate.	
4.	Actions and Matters Arising Action 2 – MA to send the Survey link to the group. Action 1 CiH are going to visit services. MA to forward itinerary to group members of those service areas being visited. Action 2	MA MA
5.	Utilisation of Floating Support Services The above paper gave the group an update of the impact of the utilisation of floating support in lieu services to support the Troubled Families Agenda. The following areas were highlighted; • no waiting times • capacity still within services • increase in the number of referrals The group noted the paper and approved it for presentation at the commissioning body	
6.	Performance Management The above paper highlighted the following: • KPl1 target for was met in quarter 1 for long term accommodation and floating support • KPl2 target fro short term accommodation was not met The group were assured that action plans have been developed by providers, but it was acknowledge that paid work remains a hard outcome to achieve in the current economic climate. The group requested that future reports are to include: • Figure 3 The actual number of individuals are presented as well as the percentage for this target Action 3a • Figure 4 Inclusion of some additional commentary around those clients who were living outside Kent the previous day as to their displacement due to Welfare Reform. Action 3b • Figure 5 Merge or explain the difference between Local Housing referrals and Nominated by local housing authority referral sources. Action 3c	MA MA

7.	Finance		
	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.		
	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	PM/AII	
8.	Commissioning Development Plan for Housing Related Support		
	The report gave a broad outline of the commissioning intentions for housing related support services.		
	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.		
	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		
	The following areas put forward as priorities were:		
	 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? 		
	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.		
9.	Any Other Business		
	None minuted		
	Dates of future meetings		
	6 December 2013 2.00pm – 4.00pm Sessions House		