

## Kent & Medway Civilian Military Partnership Board

The overall purpose of the Board is to implement the Kent & Medway Community Covenant. It will do this through overseeing the work of five sub-groups which each focus on particular themes within the Covenant. The Board will meet bi-annually to receive reports and progress updates from each of the sub-groups, thus having a strategic overview of all activity and the ability to steer the implementation of sub-group work.

The terms of reference are as follows:

- **To address countywide issues relating to the Kent Community Covenant.**
- **To review the Kent Community Covenant annually and propose amendments where necessary.**
- **To filter and endorse applications of strategic significance for the Ministry of Defence Community Covenant Grant Scheme.**
- **To oversee, and take responsibility for, administering such Community Covenant Grant Scheme grants.**
- **To ensure that evidence is collected for audit purposes.**
- **To provide a forum for the exchange of information between the civilian and military authorities**
- **To widen understanding of military and veteran issues, including those relating to families of current or ex-service men and women.**

The members of the Kent & Medway Civilian Military Partnership Board are:

**Leyland Ridings** CO-CHAIR (Armed Forces Champion for KCC)

**Brigadier Chris Claydon** CO-CHAIR (2 SE Brigade)

**Mike O'Brien** (Armed Forces Champion for Medway)

**David Bowen** (SSO 1 REME Regiment)

**Stephen Oxlade** (South East Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Association)

**Sandra Fruish** (Royal British Legion)

**Steve Sherry** (Royal British Legion Industries)

**Jo Gunnell** (Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen & Families Association)

**Alison Broom** (Invicta Chamber of Commerce / Maidstone Borough Council)

**Tony Finch/Tracy Evans** (2 Brigade South-East)

**Debra Exall/Tim Woolmer** (Kent County Council)

The five Sub-Groups are:

- **Recognise and Remember Sub-Group**
- **Integration Sub-Group** (*covering children and young people, and stronger, safer communities*)
- **Joint Policy & Planning Board for Housing Service Personnel Sub-Group**
- **Health and Wellbeing Sub-Group**
- **Employment, Economy and Skills Sub-Group**