

Core Strategy Group Minutes
Thursday 27 February 2014
Trinity Foyer, Maidstone

Meeting	Core Strategy Group		
Date & Time:	27 February 2014 2.00pm	Minutes By:	Pam McConnell KCC Customer & Communities Commissioned Services
Meeting Place:	Trinity Foyer, Church Street Maidstone		
Present:	Job Title: Senior Administration Officer		
Diane Wright	KCC – Customer & Communities Head of Commissioned Services (Chair)		
Melanie Anthony	KCC – Customer & Communities, Commissioned Services		
Gary Peskett	Canterbury City Council		
Kevin Hetherington*	Tonbridge Wells Borough Council		
Neil Coles	Maidstone Borough Council		
Howard Cohn	Kent Probation		
Alison Haines*	Dartford Borough Council		
Kevin Tilson	KCC – Finance Business Partner		
Craig George	Thanet District Council		
Gavin Cargill	KCC – Families & Social Care Specialist Children's Services		
Richard Robinson	Ashford Borough Council		
Lynn Wilders	Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council		
Present for part of the meeting*			
Apologies:			
Tracey Kerly	Ashford Borough Council		
Amber Christou	Swale Borough Council		
Wale Adetoro	Gravesham Borough Council		
Satnum Kaur	Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council		
Jane Ellis	Sevenoaks District Council		
Christy Holden	KCC - Families & Social Care Contracting		
Paul Whitfield	Dover District Council		
Adrian Hammond	Shepway District Council		
Item No	Details of the Item/decisions taken	CSG Member responsible for action	
1 & 2.	Apologies & Introductions The group introduced themselves and apologies from Lauren Hemsley, Amber Christou, Kevin Hetherington and Wale Adetoro were noted.		

<p>5.3</p>	<p>The group requested that Commissioned Services ensure that any figures used correspond to those published by the CLG</p> <p>The group were assured that the changes to the way services are commissioned were in line with KCC's Facing the Challenge with no expectation for Commissioned Services to provide any additional savings, other than those published, for 2014/15 from the Supporting People budget.</p> <p>Assurance was given that the Offenders Service would remain as part of the commissioning plan for this year and a paper would be presented at the next meeting. Action 3</p> <p>Young Peoples commissioning</p> <p>The above paper provided group members with an outline current service and future provision summarising the challenges and priorities that are practical and ensure robust economies of scale.</p> <p>Assurance was given that commissioning officers are working closely with Specialist Children's Services.</p>	<p>MA</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Finance</p> <p>The above paper provided the group with the current financial forecast on budget spend for 2013/14 and confirmation of the budget for 2014/15.</p> <p>In discussing the paper the members agreed to look at the reserves to look at what one off pilots could be established prior to phases two and three of the commissioning plan. Action 4</p>	<p>All</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>Performance</p> <p>The above paper provided the group with an overview of current performance highlighting the good practice which has resulted in exceeding both KPI targets in quarter 3.</p> <p>The group welcomed the news and requested that the contractual information in appendix 1 has an additional table with a break down on client groups. Action</p>	<p>MA</p>
<p>8. 8.1</p>	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Needs Analysis</p> <p>The group discussed the final draft of the needs analysis and their concern that there was little quantitative data presented in the final report.</p> <p>Group members were assured that the CiH had been provided with and sought significant amounts of quantitative data for the needs analysis. The brief was to focus on the models of provision</p>	

<p>8.2</p>	<p>and the gaps in the pathways in and out of services. It was agreed to provide more quantitative data to inform members of current and projected need as part of the commissioning plan for each cohort. Action 5</p> <p>Facing the Challenge</p> <p>DW informed the group that as part of the Facing The Challenge transformation Angela Slaven will no longer be chairing these meetings as Commissioned Services moves into the People Directorate.</p> <p>Members expressed their thanks to Angela for all her support and hard work over the past five years, wishing her well for the future.</p>	<p>MA</p>

Dates of Future meetings

- 9 June 2014 2.00pm – 4.00pm Wantsum Room, Sessions House**
- 1 September 2014 2.00pm – 4.00pm Swale Room 1, Sessions House**
- 11 December 2014 2.00pm – 4.00pm Swale Room 1, Sessions House**