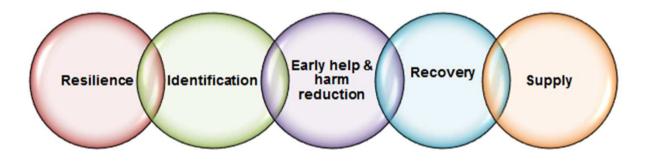
Drug and Alcohol Strategy

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Kent Drug and Alcohol Strategy Strategic Themes



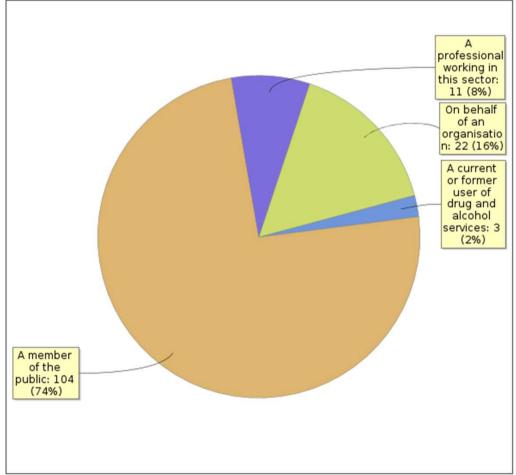


The consultation process

- Consultation phase included Survey
- Focus Groups HMP Elmley, Service users (East Kent, West Kent and Children and Young Peoples Services), Mental Health service users
- Presented at various meetings Community Safety Partnerships, exercise at K&M community safety conference, Health and Wellbeing Boards (County and Local), CCG Clinical Leadership Teams, Joint Kent Chiefs



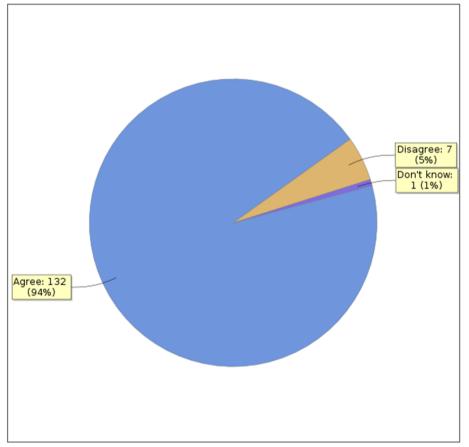
Survey respondents



- A current or former user of drug and alcohol services A member of the public
- A professional working in this sector On behalf of an organisation



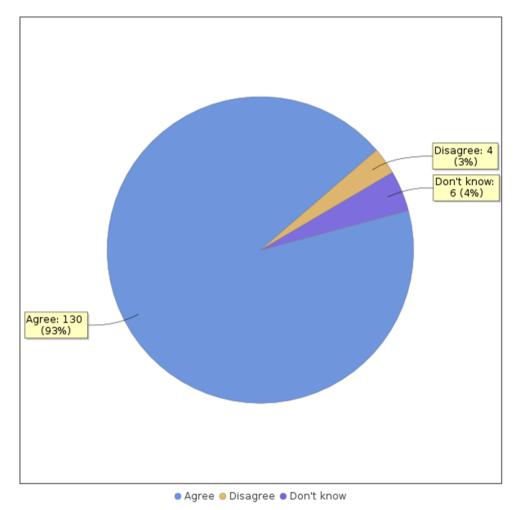
Did respondents agree with aim of the strategy?



Agree Oisagree Oon't know



Good idea to have a combined Drug and Alcohol Strategy?





Survey

- Wide range of responses from across the county by individuals, Community Safety Partnership, parish councils, CCGs, NHS England
- Open question relating to comments on the strategy or suggestions of how it could be improved – wide range of responses for consideration



Key outcomes from Focus groups

- W Kent KCC as a commissioner needs to be clearer in their specification contract to ensure service users know who the provider is.
- W Kent Lack of appropriate support groups for people when they finish detox need it available more hours
- CYP- Poor experience of D&A education at school

 group situation do not work individual would
 work well. Apps would work, leaflets do not work



Key outcomes from Focus groups

- CYP Peer mentors CYP who have made change and been through system
- E Kent Develop a mandatory prison release group to support prisoners being released
- E Kent Clearer referral for D&A (ie GP)
- HMP Elmley Continuation of care when leave prison, Housing and homeless is an issue with many offender not qualifying, Smoke free – could result of use of other substances if in trouble for smoking they might as well use other substances



Next steps

- Final version will be taken to the Kent Drug and Alcohol Partnership at the end of April
- It will be taken to Adult Health and Social Care Cabinet in June
- It will be signed off by Cabinet member for Adult Social Care and Public health
- The strategy will be implemented via the Drug and Alcohol Joint Commissioning Group and outcomes monitored via the Kent Drug and Alcohol Partnership

