Loneliness and Social Isolation Select Committee

Hearing 5

Wednesday 12th September 2018

Witness Guide for Members

Below are suggested themes and questions. They have been provided in advance to the witnesses to allow them to prepare for the types of issues that Members may be interested to explore. All Members are welcome to ask these questions or pose additional ones to the witnesses via the Committee Chairman.

Themes and Questions

Mike Whiting, Cabinet Member for Planning, Highways, Transport and Waste, Kent County Council and Philip Lightowler, Head of Public Transport

- Please introduce yourselves and provide an overview of the roles and responsibilities that your positions involve.
- What strategies and interventions (with a focus on transport) is the Growth, Environment and Transport Directorate implementing in order to prevent or reduce loneliness and social isolation amongst Kent's older residents?
- In your view, to what extent is KCC's current service provision and partnership working effective at preventing or reducing loneliness and social isolation amongst Kent's older population?
- In your opinion, what more can be done, if anything, to prevent or reduce the impact of social isolation and loneliness on Kent's older residents?
- Are there any other issues, in relation to the review, that you wish to raise with the Committee?