

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

Mr G K Gibbens

DECISION NO.

09/01358

If decision is likely to disclose exempt information please specify the relevant paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

Subject:

A NEW SERVICE MODEL FOR THE RE-PROVISION OF DAY ACTIVITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH A LEARNING DISABILITY IN THE CANTERBURY DISTRICT

Decision:

To approve the following:

- (a) Implementation of the new model for learning disability day services within the Canterbury District, as outlined in Appendices in 2 and 3.
- (b) The development of two new resources within Canterbury to be known as Community Hubs, which when fully developed and used to the satisfaction of users will eventually lead to the closure of Canterbury DOS. The closure of Canterbury DOS will not take place until the two new community hubs are in place.
- (c) The adaptation of the Swalecliffe DOS building to enable compliance with the Disability Discrimination Act and to form the new business hub for social enterprise type activity for the Canterbury District.

Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken

None

Reason(s) for decision, including alternatives considered and any additional information

Government Guidance such as "Valuing People" and the underpinning "Kent Adult Social Services, Good Day Programme – Better Days for Adults with Learning Disabilities in Kent".

Reduction in the number of people using the existing service from 95 to 74 with a daily average of 53 people attending each day.

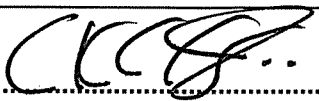
Through the new service model people will have access to a wider more diverse range of services with appropriate support during the days, evenings and week-ends according to their person centred plans.

There are further opportunities with personal budgets and the choice to use direct payments, the Kent Card or to continue to have day activities arranged by KASS.

Consideration was given to retaining the existing service and entering into a partnership with another provider. This was not viable and as it would not allow sufficient access to a wider more diverse range of services.

Background Documents:

Report by the Managing Director, Kent Adult Social Services: A New Service Model for the Re-provision of Day Activities for People with a Learning Disability in the Canterbury Area (Decision No. 09/01358).



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23 December 2009
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Decision Referred to Cabinet Scrutiny			
YES		NO	

Cabinet Scrutiny Decision to Refer Back for Reconsideration			
YES		NO	

Reconsideration Record Sheet Issued			
YES		NO	

Reconsideration of Decision Published			