

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY
Graham Gibbens

DECISION NO.
10/01454


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Subject:
OUTCOME OF FORMAL CONSULTATION ON CLOSURE/VARIATION OF SERVICE USE OF MAIDSTONE DAY OPPORTUNITY SERVICE

Decision:
To give approval to proceed with the closure of the Boughton Mount Site and to continue the service based on a more community focussed model.

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".
The last six months have demonstrated that it is possible to provide the same level of Day Service without the main Boughton Mount building and that there are positive benefits to community based services. Whilst a small number of carers expressed doubt and reservations, the majority of feedback from the consultation has been positive and therefore a continued community presence is recommended, in order that people with learning disabilities continue to access and develop a full range of opportunities and networks.
The matter was considered and the proposals endorsed at the Adult Social Services Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 25 June 2010.
Background Documents:
Report by the Managing Director, Kent Adult Social Services: Outcome of formal consultation on closure/variation of service use of Maidstone Day Opportunity Service (Decision No. 10/01454)

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 12 JULY 2010
 date

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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			