

## Ashford Health & Wellbeing Board (AHWB) - Ashford Borough Council Partner Quarterly Update

Update from	Ashford Borough Council
Quarter concerned	July to September 2014
What's going on in our world	<p><b>Strategic projects</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Junction10a</b> again progressing with submission by the Highway Authority through the Development Consent Order process in Autumn 2015, aiming to complete the scheme by Spring 2018.</li> <li>• <b>Jasmin Vardimon International Dance Academy</b> – Funding now in place for initial stage of the project. Council leading the business case and project viability assessment.</li> <li>• <b>Elwick Place</b> plans progressing to mixed retail, leisure, office and residential (estimated 600 jobs). Proposals being developed for hotel, cinema, additional car parking and 153 dwelling.</li> <li>• <b>Designer Outlet Expansion</b> (phased extension to double floor space. Public exhibition of plans and extensive publicity. Pre-application consultation underway.</li> <li>• <b>Ashford College</b> (£25m campus for 1,000 students) progressing with revised design produced by Hadlow College. Phase 1 construction by end 2016.</li> <li>• <b>International Station spurs</b> (finding signalling solutions to enable future interoperability for all international service providers. Key to retaining Eurostar and other services in Ashford. Programme management and governance group established.</li> <li>• <b>Chilmington Green</b> (development based on Garden City principles (1000 jobs and 5,750 houses) planning application scheduled for consideration 15<sup>th</sup> October.</li> <li>• <b>Commercial Quarter</b> (55,000 sq m commercial office floor space plus 150 homes). Agent appointed &amp; architects working on design and layout.</li> <li>• <b>Public realm works</b> on the Commercial Quarter (between Dover Place and Station) have been granted planning permission.</li> <li>• <b>International model railway museum.</b> Visit from Roger Daltrey to discuss proposal to locate the museum on the former Klondyke Works site in Ashford.</li> <li>• <b>Ashford has been named as the best business location in Kent</b> following market research undertaken by FACTS International commissioned by Kent Online.</li> <li>• <b>Eurostar</b> is to launch a new direct service to the south of France (Paris, Marseille and Lille).</li> </ul>
Success stories since last AHWB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Self Harm Project</b> – aimed at improving mental wellbeing for young people. Key elements were a training programme for front line professionals and curriculum sessions and activities at HOUSE. Training completed other</li> </ul>

	<p>elements of programme ongoing until end November. Anticipate securing CCG extension funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dementia Kent Action Alliance</b> – Ashford BC signed up. Training sessions in July &amp; August with more planned. About 200 staff have undertaken dementia friends training. ABC hosted first meeting of Ashford Dementia Action Alliance with 3 projects identified to take forward: Insight gathering into what people living with dementia actually want in terms of services and support: promotion of the Kent dementia helpline and a dementia awareness raising event.</li> <li>• <b>Homelessness</b> – New process developed as a direct recommendation from the ‘Think Housing First Action Plan’ linking those in temporary accommodation to GPs.</li> <li>• <b>Mind the Gap</b> – Graduate EHO continuing to documenting Council inequality work. Update provided to September LOG. Agreed to concentrate on strategies and programmes being pursued by partners as viewed against know deprived areas. This will form the overall action plan and help identify any gaps in service provision or where focus needs to be shifted. Also to use the Health and Social Care maps as evidence base.</li> <li>• <b>Affordable Homes Programme 2015-18</b> - Successful bid of £2.12m made for 106 properties.</li> <li>• <b>Social Housing</b> - Council given permission by the Department for Communities and Local Government to borrow £1.4 million to build new social housing in Charing.</li> <li>• <b>Domestic Abuse</b> – Additional funding of £150 committed over three years. Will enable Ashford to have a full time IDVA and One Stop Shop/Freedom Coordinator.</li> <li>• <b>Christchurch House</b> – Official opening has taken place. The Council purchased the former commercial property earlier this year and has turned it into short-stay accommodation and support for people who find themselves homeless.</li> <li>• <b>Chamberlain Manor</b> – topping out ceremony took place in August on this 67 apartment scheme near the Drovers roundabout in Ashford. When complete in March 2015 it will offer a mix of one and two bed accommodation, half for shared ownership and half for affordable rent</li> <li>• <b>Little Hill Extra Care Scheme</b> – this Council site was gifted to KCC in June this year as part of the Excellent Homes for All PFI project. When complete in April 2016 it will offer 41 extra care apartments at affordable rents.</li> </ul>
<p>What we are focusing on for the next quarter <u>specific to the key projects</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dementia</b> - Detailed discussions continue with ABC, Social Services and Age UK about the arrangements for making the Day Centre at the new Farrow Court facility a centre of excellence. The discussions include aiming to deliver services seven days a week with a specific focus on dementia clients at weekends.</li> </ul>

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Anything else relevant to AHWB priorities NOT mentioned above	<p>Council is continuing to participate in work with the Integrated Commissioning Group around falls prevention and surge resilience as we approach the winter months.</p> <p>Meeting between Leader and Health &amp; Wellbeing Portfolio Holder with CCG to address merger proposals and also CQC report regarding hospital trust.</p> <p>Council officer participation in the Community Networks workshops and Health Watch Kent – who are we? Workshop.</p>
Strategic challenges & risks including horizon scanning?	Responding to issues raised by future population and housing growth in the Borough, including engagement with the council on the emerging Local Plan to 2030.
Any thing else the Board needs to know	
Signed & dated	Sheila Davison – 07 October 2014

<p><b>AHWB key projects are:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Community Network</b> Project Lead: Clinical Commissioning Group (Sue Luff) Project Coordinator: Peter Marsh, KCC, Dementia Officer (Email: peter.marsh@kent.gov.uk)</li> <li>• <b>Dementia Day Care</b> Project Lead: Clinical Commissioning Group (Sue Luff) Project Coordinator: Peter Marsh, KCC Dementia Officer (Email: peter.marsh@kent.gov.uk)</li> <li>• <b>Healthy Weight (specific project TBC)</b> Project Lead: KCC, Public Health (TBC) Project Coordinator: Simon Harris, Ashford Borough Council, Sports Projects Manager &amp; Active Ashford Coordinator, Cultural Projects (Email: simon.harris@ashford.gov.uk)</li> </ul>
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- **Farrow Court**

Project Lead: Ashford Borough Council (Tracey Kerly)

Project Coordinator: Richard Robinson, Ashford Borough Council, Housing Improvement Manager, Housing Improvement (Email: Richard.robinson@ashford.gov.uk)

- **Rough Sleeping**

Project Lead: Ashford Borough Council (Housing, Tracey Kerly)

Project Coordinator: Sharon William, Ashford Borough Council, Housing Operations Manager, Housing Options (Email: sharon.williamson@ashford.gov.uk)

**AHWB priorities are:**

- Independent living & self management for those with long-term conditions
- Dementia
- Homelessness
- Obesity
- Falls prevention
- Sustainable development for health & wellbeing