Ashford Health & Wellbeing Board (AHWB)

Agenda Item No. 7(g)

Partner Quarterly Update Template – Healthwatch

Update from	Healthwatch Kent
Quarter concerned	October to December 2014
What's going on in our world	 Healthwatch Kent – Ashford focus Monthly meetings with Monitor regarding the East Kent Hospital University Foundation Trust (EKHUFT) CQC Action Plan. We have a team of dedicated volunteers who are working with us on this project. Linked to the above, we are organising Enter & View visits to William Harvey A&E and Outpatients. We will return again in Spring to chart their improvements. Developing an action plan with Kent and Medway NHS & Social Care Partnership Trust (KMPT) following our reports into the experiences of mental health carers and the transfer of patients from Medway into Kent. Holding Public Voice Feedback events throughout Kent. Working as a Partner on the KCC Integration Pioneer Project. Enter & View visits to Learning Disability services and Care Homes (reports to be published early Jan)
Success stories since last AHWB	 Homes (reports to be published early Jan). Healthwatch Kent – Ashford focus Established an Ashford Area team that will be pro-actively looking at issues within the Ashford Borough. Members will be visiting Ashford GP surgeries to talk to them about Healthwatch and check they are displaying Healthwatch info Signatories to the Kent and Medway Crisis Care Concordat. Meeting with SECamb at the Make Ready Centre Ashford and a visit / tour of NHS 111 Call centre Ashford. Attended the first meetings of the Stakeholder Community Network in the Ashford CCG.
What we are focusing on for the next quarter <u>specific to the key</u> <u>projects</u>	 Healthwatch Kent – Ashford focus Looking at ways of building patient / public awareness of Healthwatch Kent in the Ashford Area, Continue to look at ways of establishing pro-active working partnerships with ABC, KCC, CCG and Voluntary Sector in the Ashford Area Starting a project around hospital complaints processes Continuing to support EKUHFT's Action Plan Publishing reports around Dementia and Care Plans for mental health patients Starting a project around Access to GPs – will be focusing on one CCG area and sharing findings with all CCGs

Anything else relevant to AHWB priorities NOT mentioned above	
Strategic challenges & risks including horizon scanning?	
Any thing else the Board needs to know	
Signed & dated	Nicky Scott, Communications, Healthwatch Kent 13 December 2015