

Ashford Health & Wellbeing Board (AHWB)

Partner Quarterly Update for the Ashford Children and Young Person's Health & Wellbeing Committee – Quarter 4: January to March 2015

<p>What's going on in our world</p>	<p>Priorities</p> <p>Mental Health – including emotional health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Changes from CAF to Early Help – identified need for an on-going training programme to be rolled out to all staff & Head teachers. A sub-committee to design programme.• Key – understanding thresholds. Conversations are happening between committee and relevant partners. <p>Play/ Early Start</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Due to lack of CC's in rural areas there is a need for mobile play to be readily available. An application to be made for 'Themed Grant' for play activities.• There is a concern around lack of engagement from the GRT community in rural Ashford.• Need to improve access to materials. Play leaflets to be resurrected and updated.• Training to ensure that pre-school workforce are aware of what 'play' is.• Upskilling parents –more provision to active learning. <p>Healthy Living – Obesity & Smoking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Obesity – looking at cause and response by age group• Smoking – as above. Focusing on prevention; reduction and cessation.• A significant piece of work to reduce number of year R and year 6 who are overweight is happening in Stanhope – use template to extend this across the area. <p>NEET's</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Statutory duty sits with KCC. They have identified priorities for Ashford as<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Those below L2 at KS4- Special school leavers- Home educated- CIC- Young people wishing to work in Construction- In addition to the above, the committee have also identified pre-further education careers guidance.- Representation from KCC will be attending the next committee meeting to present on the above and discuss how the committee can support.
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Success stories since last AHWB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CC's are working with rural school to organise an event for GRT community and arranging for visits to sites for face to face discussions to establish need and look at taking services out to the communities. • Police have reported a 75% reduction in ASB, mainly by YP in the Ashford district.
What we are focusing on for the next quarter <u>specific to the key projects</u>	<p>The key issues the board will be focused on over the next quarter are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collecting relevant data and establishing what is already being provided in the district. • Engagement with schools for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Whole school approaches to healthy weight/active lifestyles - Training – changes from CAF to Early Years/importance of 'play' - School readiness - Support to prevent NEET's
Anything else relevant to AHWB priorities NOT mentioned above	<p>Need to recruit secondary head teacher representative to committee – lead on NEET's. Next meeting to be held on Thursday 23rd April.</p>
Strategic challenges & risks including horizon scanning?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of funding • Reaching/engaging key families • Adult mental health/CAMHS thresholds go up
Any thing else the Board needs to know	Nothing to report