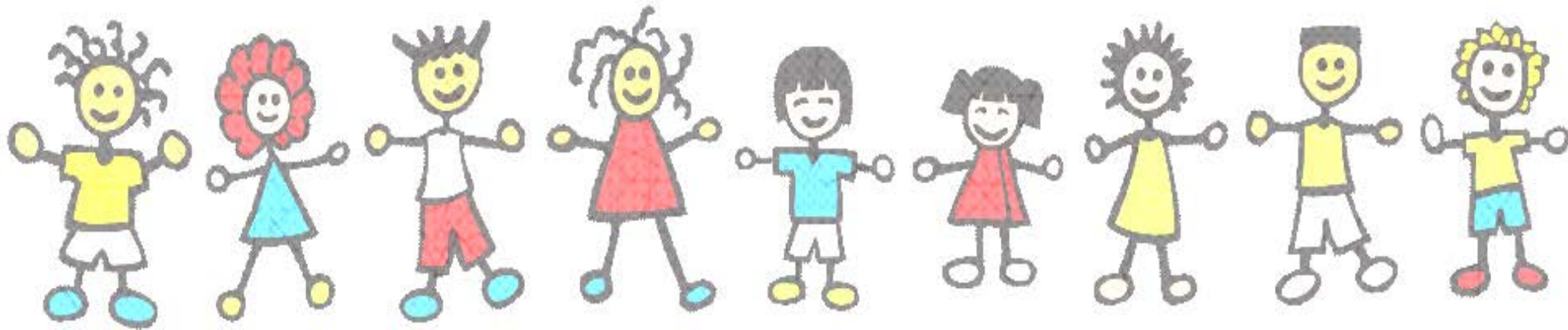


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The Service

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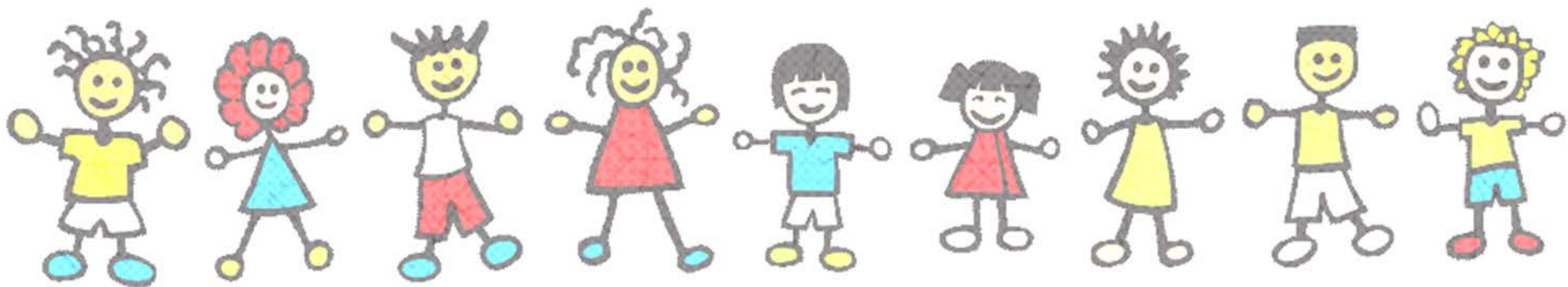
- ▶ **Adolescent Team** – Working with adolescents of the edge of care and young people who present as potentially homeless aged 16 and 17. Since the 1st January 2016 the team have undertaken 13 Joint housing assessments 4 of these young people remain open to the service and 9 have closed (two needed to come into care) Plan to work closely with Early Help with this cohort upon referral

Four Children in Care Teams–

- ▶ **Dover Children in Care Team** based at Poltons, Dover.



- ▶ **Shepway Children in Care Team**, based at Poltons Dover.
- ▶ **Ashford Children in Care Team** – based at Kroner House, Ashford.
- ▶ **Ashford Children in Care Team 2**, based at Westchurch House, Ashford.
- ▶ **Contact Service**, based at Westchurch House, Ashford.
- ▶ **Fostering Service**, based at Westchurch House, Ashford.



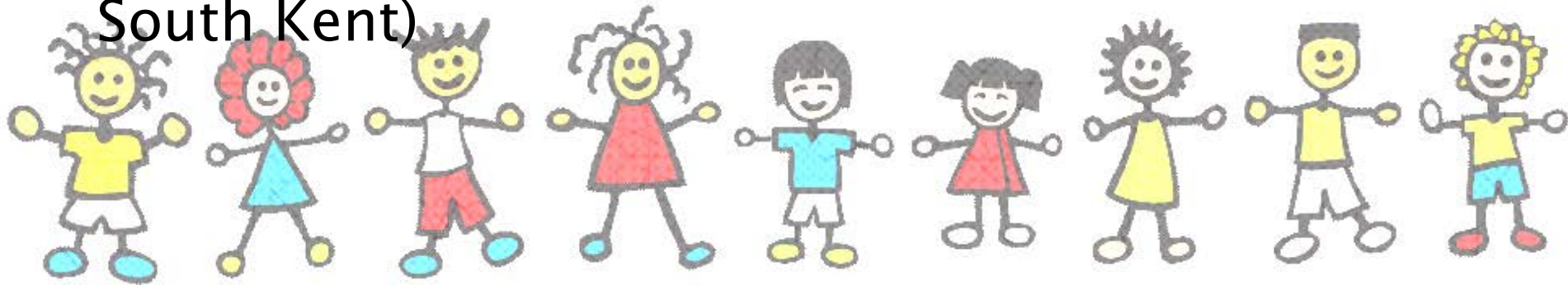
Who are the children

Kent has 9,447 children subject to Specialist Children Services interventions.

- ▶ 2,210 Children in Care.
- ▶ 769 Unaccompanied Asylum Seekers.

South Kent Service supports 55 Children in Need living in the community and 356 Children in Care 66 of these are unaccompanied asylum seeking children.

158 Children in care are placed in Ashford, includes those who are placed at Millbank Ashford Reception Centre (not all originate from South Kent)



What's Going Well

County Services in Place for Children in Care such as:

- ▶ Virtual School Kent.
- ▶ Children in Care CAMHS.
- ▶ Annual Health Assessments by LAC Nurses
- ▶ Advocacy.
- ▶ Oversight by an independent Reviewing Officer.
- ▶ Consistency of Social Worker in the South.
- ▶ Participation, local events improving educational attainment, strong fostering community.

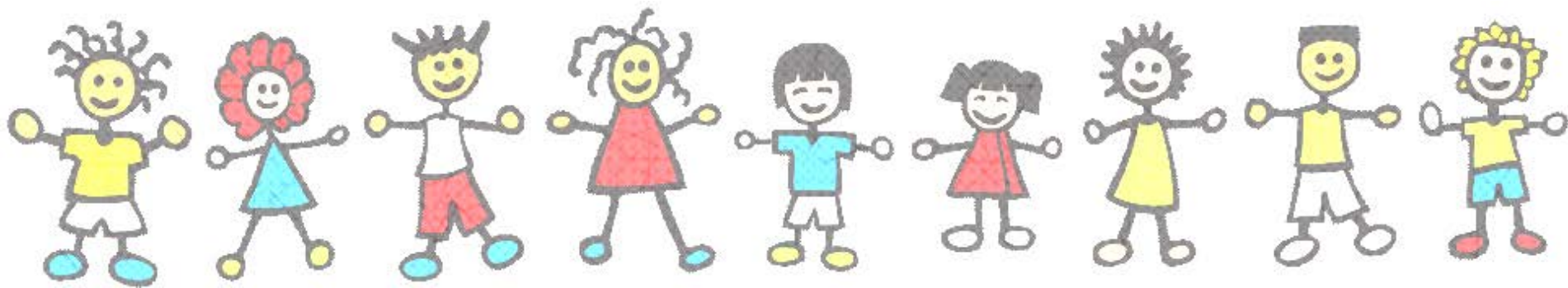


Local Partnerships

What's going well

- ▶ Adolescent Team have good links with:
Ashford Borough Council,
Independent providers such as Stonham, YMCA
What matters forum, Links in Youth Hub,
Ashford Methodist Church has a support group
for UASC.

Multi Agency, Anti social behaviour cooperation
with local police.



What could be better

- ▶ Improved engagement of Ashford Children and their carers within their local communities.
- ▶ Questions/discussions

