

Ashford Health & Wellbeing Board (AHWB)

Partner Quarterly Update for Public Health – Quarter 2: July to September 2017

<p>What's going on in our world</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Sustainability and Transformation Plan: Prevention work stream has been finalised and approved. £167K funding has been identified for Kent and Medway to deliver this work.• East Kent Officers Group are exploring the Ashford Stop Smoking Action Plan to consider where good practice can be replicated across East Kent .• Childrens Mental and Emotional Health Needs Assessment is being completed and the findings will be presented to the Childrens Mental Health Commissioners. It will include utilization of Childrens mental and emotional health services, suicide prevention and resilience.• HeadStart Phase 3 is relaunching in October which will involve a resilience hub for professionals (to access training and professional resources) and young people can navigate useful information, advice and resources.• A new Health Visiting Specification is being developed to commence new services from 1st April 2018.
<p>Success stories since last AHWB</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 Schools participated in the Smoke Free Schools Gate competition. Ashford Oaks won the competition and the winning signage has been installed on gates across all three schools. Other primary schools in Ashford will be offered opportunities to use the same signage in their schools.
<p>What we are focusing on for the next quarter <u>specific to the key projects</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• .Childhood obesity data shows an increasing trend for Kent . Official raw NCMP data is due for release in October 2017. A Kent Public Health briefing will explain definition and changes to data sources. Further work with wider agencies, such as oral health and health visiting will help redirect a partnership approach to tackling childrens weight management issues. A new Public Health dashboard at a district level will be published on 16th October, showing comparisons with statistical neighbours.• We will be working with William Harvey Hospital for the grounds to be truly Smokefree from 1st January 2018. Ashford Borough Council and Ashford Leisure Trust are also planning to make their sites totally smokefree at the same time.• Partners are working with ABC Communications Team to produce a communications strategy for work delivered by the two Task and Finish Groups for the Board.

Anything else relevant to AHWB priorities NOT mentioned above	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Kent Joint Strategic Needs Assessment is currently being refreshed and will published on the Kent Public Health Observatory website. Future work will include Stakeholders voice/perspective.
Strategic challenges & risks including horizon scanning?	N/A
Anything else the Board needs to know	N/A
Signed & dated	5 th October 2017