


Ashford Health & Wellbeing Board (AHWB)

Partner Quarterly Update for the Ashford Borough Council – Quarter 1: April to June 2018

<p>What's going on in our world</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bulleid Place Play Park - This newly refurbished play park in Newtown was officially opened by the Mayor on 15th June. The play park has been revamped with various different zones, including one that has incorporated paths and equipment for wheelchair users.• Snowdogs Discover Ashford Tail - Local businesses gathered together on 11th May at a gala night to choose a Snowdog design for their sculpture. Each one will be an individual design by local and regional artists. From the 1st June, the chosen artists will start applying their designs to the blank Snowdogs. County Square Shopping Centre is also hosting an Artist Painting Kennel in one of the shop units, creating a buzzing hive of activity where shoppers can see the designs come to life. The dogs will be auctioned off at the end of the 10 week event, later in the year, to raise money for Pilgrims Hospices.• Fields of Battle, Lands of Peace – A photographic exhibition to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War to remember and honour all those that tragically lost their lives, took place in the town centre's Memorial gardens in June. The exhibition was accompanied by a programme of other displays, activities and talks.• Tenterden & District Museum Refurbishment - This 19th century building has recently undergone some major internal alterations and improvements funded by a grant from the council and donations. The improvements including enhancing access for the disabled, as well as improve facilities for staff who give their time voluntary. New digital 360° virtual tours will be offered as well as assisting the museum in becoming a dementia friendly organisation.• Dementia Action Week 2018 – An initiative to promote awareness of dementia during Dementia Action Week 2018 (21-28 May) was organised by Ashford and Canterbury Dementia Action Alliance (ACDAA), the council and the One You shop. A hand crafted memory tree was located in the One You shop for people to write a special memory onto a printed leaf and attach it to the tree. The memory tree links in with the 5th anniversary (which is traditionally wood) of the Kent Dementia Alliance and all the trees across the county will be bought together later in the year to create a 'Forest of Thought'. The Memory tree has now moved to the reception area at the Civic Centre so visitors can add a memory if they wish.• Farrow Court – An event was held to showcase the Council's £17m flagship sheltered housing during Dementia Action Week. Guests included representatives from KCC, Ashford CCG, registered providers of housing and other local authorities in Kent.• Create Platform 2018 (14th to 22nd July) & Create Festival – The Platform has returned for a second year, with a week-long programme of events leading up to the main Create Festival. One of the top attractions will be a performance by the Craig Charles Funk & Soul Club on 18th July at Revelation Ashford. Other events, at various venues, include poetry reading, storytelling and entertaining mini street theatre. There will also be an opportunity to see some of the amazing work carried out by the mothers from Syria in Ashford. The Create Festival takes place on Saturday 21st July in Victoria Park will be headlined by DJ Jazzy Jeff. Details of both can be found at: www.createfestiva.co.uk.• Victoria Park Friends Group – This new group will be able to help make decisions about the way the park can be improved, managed and maintained. In addition to this and as part of the Victoria Park Redevelopment two consultation days are being held on 21st & 22nd July.
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Success stories since last AHWB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RSPH Health & Wellbeing Awards 2018 – KCHFT/Ashford One You shop has been shortlisted for a national Royal Society for Public Health award for the category <i>Health on the High Street</i>. Three projects have been shortlisted for this new category. The awards take place on 18th October 2018 in London.

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What we are focusing on for the next quarter <u>specific to the key projects</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dementia: Ask the Experts Day - The Ashford & Canterbury Dementia Action Alliance is holding a Dementia 'Ask the Experts' Day at St Marys Church on Friday 28th September between 10am – 1pm (details are attached). • Health Infrastructure – Discussions are ongoing with East Kent CCG (Neil McElduff) over infrastructure issues. An Estates Strategy for Primary Care has been drafted and agreed by the PCC but is likely to evolve and change as discussions evolve and the hospital agenda is clearer. ABC is working closely with the CCG to shape plans and assist where possible. • Chilmington - A location for temporary health provision for Chilmington is provisionally agreed, subject to further capacity testing. The Community Development Strategy was adopted by Ashford Borough Council in December 2017 with an action plan drafted and to be agreed by partners early in 2018. A community facilities and activities audit will be started in April 2018 to inform community development action later in 2018.
Anything else relevant to AHWB priorities NOT mentioned above	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Civic Awards 2018 – Nominations for these awards closed 1st June. The awards are community 'heroes and heroines' to recognise and honour people who have contributed substantially to their community and who enrich the lives of others within the borough. The awards ceremony takes place in July. • One You – Additional staff are now in post to support the development of One You, jointly funded by Ashford Borough Council and KCC Public Health.
Strategic challenges & risks including horizon scanning?	
Anything else the Board needs to know	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development Update – The October 2017 newsletter highlights the major projects that now being delivered across the borough. This will be available at http://www.ashford.gov.uk/development-update. Next edition due July 2018. • Ashford Tourism & Leisure Website – Website redesigned – see www.visitashfordandtenterden.co.uk.
Signed & dated	 Sheila Davison – 9 July 2018

Dementia: Ask the Experts Day



Find out more about latest research, tools, techniques and specialist services

FREE EVENT – ALL WELCOME

Friday 28th September 2018 (10am – 1pm)
St Mary's Church, Ashford TN23 1QG

Market Place:

Local dementia services
drop-in exhibition
(10am - 1pm)

Specialist Speakers:

Cutting-edge research
and care know-how
(11-12.30pm)

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Keynote speeches from:



Reinhard Guss
Clinical
Psychologist and
Co-Chair of Dementia
Action Alliance England



**Dr Jamie
Bilisland**
Head of
Neurodegeneration
Alzheimer's
Research UK, Drug
Discovery Institute, UCL

Your Checklist...

- ✓ What should I do if I'm worried about my memory?
- ✓ Am I fully prepared for the future both legally and financially?
- ✓ What can I do to support my loved one to live a good life with dementia?
- ✓ What is the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia?
- ✓ Does dementia run in the family?

Our event aims to answer these questions and much more...

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Dementia Action Alliance
Canterbury & Ashford

