

# East Kent Partnership Bulletin

Edition 4 – September 2020



## Welcome to Edition 4 of the East Kent Partnership Bulletin

Please feel free to contact us on the details at the end of this bulletin if you would like to add information to a future edition.

## Training and Personal Development Webinars – For Families and/or Practitioners

### **Thanet Early Help online workshops – Virtual Behaviour Sessions**

Monthly workshops for families with children 0 – 10 years, delivered by Early Help Workers, covering one of the following topics relating to children's behaviour:

- Play - October 2020
- Sleep - November 2020
- Tantrums - December 2020
- Boundaries, Consequences and Praise – January 2021.

These can be accessed by parents/carers on the Thanet Children's Centre

Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ThanetChildrensCentres/>

Sessions are held on a private group attached to the [Facebook](#) page. Request permission to join the group/s, once accepted, families have a month-long access to live and recorded sessions, Q and As, resources and support.



Virtual Behaviour  
Workshops.pdf

### **KCHFT – FREE online Solihull Parenting courses**

Kent Community Health Foundation Trust (KCHFT) Health Visiting have purchased online Solihull Parenting Programmes, the 4 Courses include:

- Understanding pregnancy, labour, birth and your baby
- Understanding your baby aged 0-12 months
- Understanding your child aged 0-18
- Understanding your teenager's brain

The following link and password can be shared with families to be able to gain access. Solihull will record the number of courses accessed and provide data to KCHFT. Go to: <https://inourplace.heiapply.com/online-learning/courses> apply the access code: **Invicta** and register for an account.

### **SEK Group - Essential Digital Skills course**

This course is a three-day masterclass being delivered face to face, covering all aspects of how to use a computer starting in **Margate on Monday 12 October 2020**. This will include word processing, IT problem solving, online safety and security, job searching, sending and replying to emails, online transactions, and support to ensure participants develop their all-round confidence in the use of IT.

There will be a follow-up session afterwards giving participants the opportunity to practice themselves then ask any questions they might have. Laptops will be provided and the course is free. Participants can be any age but must not be in work. To book a place, please email [info@sekgroup.org.uk](mailto:info@sekgroup.org.uk) or call 01227 469971.

### **New Skills Academy – virtual courses**

This training provider provides access to 760 courses and accredited qualifications through online learning to develop skills and improve career prospects: <https://newskillsacademy.co.uk/>. Fees apply but courses are often discounted such as this [Ultimate Admin Diploma](#).

### **We Are With You - Service Introduction and Drug Use Screening Tool**

The Service is now ready to roll out a virtual Drug Use Screening Tool training offer. Partners can sign up for a free interactive training experience detailing how they can support young people in education and community settings with experimental or complex drug and alcohol issues, how to complete the Drug Use Screening Tool and refer into the service. The first session will be held via google meet Thursday 22nd October 10.00-11.30am and is bookable via [Eventbrite](#).

### **Early Childhood Community of Practice – 'Conversations in Wellbeing and Early Childhood' webinar**

Partners are invited to join this webinar which will take place on Wednesday 7 October on 7pm and 8.15 pm. Contact Hilary Welland, Canterbury Christ Church University: [hilary.welland@canterbury.ac.uk](mailto:hilary.welland@canterbury.ac.uk), for more information. To book via [Eventbrite](#).



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### **Partnership Updates**

#### **Local Children's Partnership Groups – on Kent.gov**

An overview of the [Local Children's Partnership Groups](#) is now available via this link, including the role, purpose, structure, funding and contact details for the LCPGs.

#### **LCPG EH Grant funded projects – Summaries**

Local Children's Partnership Groups (LCPGs) have access to [Early Help Grant](#) funding to support new and existing not-for-profit organisations and innovative projects which contribute to meeting the local need and priorities for children and young people across all 12 Kent districts. A summary of the Thanet and Canterbury grants for 2020-21 can be found below. Contacts for each project are listed, or contact Jenny Hanna, Area Partnership Manager, [jenny.hanna@kent.gov.uk](mailto:jenny.hanna@kent.gov.uk) if you have queries.



Thanet EH Grant  
projects 2020-21- Di



Canterbury EH  
Grant projects 2020-

### **September Newsletter - Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel**

Last month the Panel hosted their first webinar to speak with safeguarding partners and partnerships across the country. Attendees provided and contributed to an interactive discussion about Local Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews (LCSPRs). The [September Newsletter](#) provides you with information arising from the webinar, including links to the recordings and slides from the event and helps clarify information about conducting LCSPRs and helps you to make improvements to safeguarding practice in your area.

### **Kent Community Safety Team - Bulletin**

This bulletin is aimed at Community Safety practitioners across Kent - be it joint Community Safety Unit staff, local authority departments, housing providers or the wider Community Safety sector



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Safety Team Bulletin

### **Support Service Updates**

#### **Kent's Integrated Children's Portal - Update**

KCC are pleased to advise that it is still on track to proceed with a go live date of 12 October 2020 for its Portal (system for submitting Requests for support). Partners will be kept updated over the coming weeks including links to all guidance and information closer to the go live date, this will include a short instruction video. See details here [Integrated Children's Portal](#).

#### **Insight Healthcare – Talking therapy service**

This is a not-for-profit organisation providing free NHS talking therapy services across Kent for anyone aged 17+ living in East Kent – [Find a service here](#). GPs can refer or self-referrals can be made online. Contact: 0300 555 5555 / [kent@insighthealthcare.org](mailto:kent@insighthealthcare.org).

#### **Domestic Abuse Support Services - Website**

This website has been produced by the Kent and Medway Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Executive Group (KMDASVEG) in order to provide a central, comprehensive resource of all Domestic Abuse related services within Kent and Medway for victims, friends & family and perpetrators:

<http://www.domesticabuseservices.org.uk/>

## **Multi-Agency Task Force (Thanet) – Referral form**

The Task Force has a new referral form for partners to complete to access support. Referrals require multiple agency intervention going forward.



NEW MTF Referral  
Form 2020.docx

## **SEK Group – Thanet Social Prescribing Service**

This new service is designed for people aged 50+ to connect with the support they need for issues such as finances, unemployment, mental health, housing, finding new activities, or finding ways to help with getting connected within the community. Drop-ins include:

- Every Thursday from 9:30-12:00 at the Union Church Foodbank, Union Crescent, Margate, CT9 1PL
- Every Thursday 13:00-16:00 at the Changing Minds Lodge, 64 Westgate Bay Avenue, Westgate-On-Sea, CT8 8SN

Or get in touch with Harriet by emailing [h.morgan@sekgroup.org.uk](mailto:h.morgan@sekgroup.org.uk), or call 01843 210005.

## **Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) – Youth Related Services 2020-21**

Youth related services and projects that are currently funded by the PCC in Kent can be found online: [PCC Funded Projects](#) (select April to present). This includes everything from Victim Support to Domestic Abuse to Youth Services. As summary is also attached below.



A to Z of PCC  
Commissioned Youth!

## **Kickstart Scheme**

The Kickstart Scheme is a ground-breaking initiative to support 16-24-year olds into work, launched by the Government. Any size and type of organisation that employs people can offer young people, claiming Universal Credit, a six-month work placement that will be paid for by government. The jobs must be new and of good quality. Government will pay 100% of the age-relevant National Minimum Wage, National Insurance, and pension contributions for 25 hours a week.

Employers will be able to top up this wage, while the Government will also pay employers £1,500 to set up support and training.

The Scheme is an opportunity to build young people's skills in the workplace and improve their chances of finding long-term work. Young people will be referred to these new roles via their Jobcentre Plus work coach.

Please click here for a range of [support material](#) and [A Guide for Employers](#) and a special [page for young people](#) on the job help website.

## **Information and Resources**

### **NHS Covid-19 App - Test & Trace information**

Social Media and marketing assets for NHS Covid-19 App are available on the [Campaign Resource Centre](#).

Public Health England is not responsible for delivery of Covid-19 testing or capacity. Any queries on Test & Trace should be directed to the [Department of Health & Social Care](#).

For NHS advice around [Covid-19 symptoms in children](#).

### **Public Health England – Hands Face Space**

With winter fast approaching, the ‘[Hands. Face. Space](#)’ campaign urges the public to continue to wash their hands, cover their face and make space to control infection rates and avoid a second peak. The spread of coronavirus, particularly in enclosed spaces is shown in a new film, produced with experts in the field, which highlights the risk in simple, everyday interactions

### **Young People’s experiences during CV-19:**

Here is a link to a video capturing young people’s experience of the Pandemic including accessing services: <https://vimeo.com/432769922/699c717497>

### **NHS - Every Mind Matters**

Whether it’s improving a child’s mental resilience, helping them settle back at school, or looking after a parent’s mental wellbeing [Every Mind Matters](#) has NHS-approved support that’s right for both parents and children.

### **Connect Well East Kent - Directory**

Organisations can join a public directory on Connect Well East Kent’s website [www.connectwelleastkent.org.uk](http://www.connectwelleastkent.org.uk). Contact Jack Packman from Social Enterprise Kent CIC 07718 975721 [j.packman@sekgroup.org.uk](mailto:j.packman@sekgroup.org.uk) to join and/or complete the form below.



EKSP getting listed  
on Connect Well.do

### **Kent and Medway - Covid-19 survey**

There is an opportunity share your experiences of maternity services during the pandemic through this [survey](#) to help inform future services:

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