

**Kent Housing Options Group – LA focused**

**10 November 10.00-12.30**

**Microsoft Teams only**

**Agenda**

10.00 Matters Arising

10.10 DLUHC Updates – Stephen Tingley

10.20 ReferKent – Stacey Clark, KCC (SH6)

10.30 Gypsy and Traveller site pitch allocation consultation – Natalie Liddiard (HW8)

10.40 Homechoice and transition to Huume Update – Vicky Hodson (HW8)

10.50 Commissioning Updates; DA, KHC,

11.20 Comfort break

11.30 [Protocols](https://www.kenthousinggroup.org.uk/briefing-papers-consultation-responses/) update (A4) (HW8)

DA reciprocal agreement in social housing – Lisa Clarke

IH/Families with complex needs – Natalia Merritt

[Kent Agency Assessment Form](https://www.kenthousinggroup.org.uk/protocols/kent-agency-assessment-form/) – Vicky Hodson

KMPT and the old Joint Protocol for planned discharge for homeless people from mental health in patient facilities - Manpreet Bhupal

Young Persons Protocol - Care Leavers focus Robin Cahill; 16-17 focus Toni Carter (inc a piece on Homechoice website)

12.00 COMF update for LAs with underspend (HW8)

12.05 Brief update on TA – Toni Carter

12.10 Any Urgent National Policy, Case Law Updates

12.20 AOB

**Dates for 2023 meetings;** 26 Jan Full; 21 Mar LA; 25 May Full; 19 Jul LA;7 Sept Full;22 Nov LA; All virtual except 25 May that is in person in Maidstone.

**Objectives from the Kent and Medway Housing** [**Strategy**](https://www.kenthousinggroup.org.uk/protocols/kent-medway-housing-strategy-2020-2025-a-place-people-want-to-call-home/) **that KHOG helps deliver;**

**Health and Wellbeing**

HW4 Share, enhance and promote the successful Hospital Discharge Schemes to enable all residents of Kent and Medway to benefit from this service – where person is homeless

HW7 Inform and influence countywide strategies that impact upon housing support and care provision for all vulnerable clients groups, children, young people, adults and the ageing population

HW8 Continue established countywide approach and partnership working to reduce and prevent homelessness

**Working together for safer homes**

SH4 Strengthen the partnership working to include how Kent Housing Group respond collectively to local or national consultations that will impact upon the safety and well-being of Kent and Medway residents

SH6 Promote and facilitate the sharing of information about services that can be offered to residents to support the countywide and individual health and wellbeing agendas

**Affordability**

A4 Continually review homelessness prevention policy and procedure, including the review of countywide protocols

A5 Explore new models and pathways to support vulnerable members of the community, including sharing learning and best practice regarding Housing First pilots

A6 Support the County Council to determine and shape the market about future provision of accommodation care and support for social care client groups

A7 Understand and influence the development of affordable housing that is flexible to meet changing needs, including meeting the needs of those with physical disability