

# Speaking Up Group Newsletter

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New website:

[www.twdpg.info](http://www.twdpg.info)

Sorry not the  
accessible one yet

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## Every Thursday Drop In at the Christian Centre



Hanover Road, Tunbridge Wells

Advisers coming who you can ask questions / talk to:  
Come into the Drop In to see who and when.

- Tell your friends
- Meet friends, make new ones
- Have a cheap cuppa before or after shopping
- Speak to advisers
- Look and take leaflets if you want to
- Say what you would like there

The Drop In is open to everybody 11.30am – 2.30pm



- 9<sup>th</sup> April FREE Bingo and nice prizes  
Starting at 12pm



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## Voice for Kent forum: By Helen Kevan

I went to London, to the Department of Health in Waterloo to the Voice for Kent Forum.

I went up on the train from Tunbridge Wells to London on the 16<sup>th</sup> March. We all introduced ourselves to the different districts.

We had a presentation on the new paper Valuing People Now. We then discussed it in a big group.

After lunch I went to join in with Dartford and Gravesham district as I was the only person from Tunbridge Wells district.

We discussed how Valuing People will work in our areas; the subject we chose was Hate Crime.

Tunbridge Wells are putting a dvd together with the local police so when it is finished we are going to local schools and youth clubs and in the community. The Tunbridge Wells district is also involving the PCSO's (Police community support officers) in the drop in.

We all finished off with a cup of tea. I felt I achieved a big day.



Have your say. Have you something that you would like to write about? Tell Helen 07504929764 or call into the Drop In. Call Sue on 07709072269



Sue Gray is leaving as coordinator.

Do you know anyone that would like to do it?

- Flexible 16 hours a week
- Work with Helen and Annette
- Working with the Governance Group
- Working with / for people with a learning disability
- Write up reports, write up projects
- Take forward the Focus Groups

- Taking forward Valuing People Now
- Talk with local services, organisations and councils



For an application form please contact:



Sue on 07709072269 or Annette 01892 515045



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Annette: [annette.funnell@kent.gov.uk](mailto:annette.funnell@kent.gov.uk)

- Application forms to be in by 20<sup>th</sup> April please.
- Support services could nominate an interested support worker to apply



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## What's On In May

<p>7<sup>th</sup> May Housing Focus Group</p>	<p>12pm Presentation</p>  <p>Accessible project for all</p>
<p>14<sup>th</sup> May Police</p>	 <p>How to be safe 1pm - 2pm</p>
<p>21<sup>st</sup> May Choice of fun things</p>	   <p>12pm - 2pm</p>
<p>28<sup>th</sup> May Health Clinic</p>	 <p>1pm – 2pm</p>

- Don't forget Bingo on the 9<sup>th</sup> April..... come and see who is visiting on the 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April
- Come have a drink, a snack and a chat

# Activites

## Friendz

A social club for people 18 – 30

Call Mencap: 01732 360033

## Dance with Leonie

St Andrews Church Hall in  
Paddock Wood

Every Monday 8pm – 9pm

Leonie: 07855287824

Life choice every  
Thursday at the Gateway.  
Pop in to see them for  
advice.

## Phab Club

At the Pagoda Centre, St Johns,  
Tunbridge Wells

Call Helen Kevan: 07504929764

Caravan Breaks on a small  
friendly site offering  
Independent Living Skills whilst  
having fun!!.....

Can use Respite days to come  
24 hour staffing at Ore, Hastings

Call Sue: 07709072269

[www.caravanbreaks.info](http://www.caravanbreaks.info)

Hobbies group for 18+

Youth Centre at Mascalls School

11am – 1pm

Sue: 07709072269

## Four Walls Club

Become a member and join in the fun :

Discos, Evenings Out and much more

Call Jamie on: 01892 537076

