Local Conversations 

Southcourt, Walton Court & Hawkslade

Local Conversations is a People’s Health Trust initiative which involves supporting residents to develop a shared vision for their community and take local action on issues that matter to them.

THANK YOU!

Our Local Conversations was launched a month ago and I would like to thank you for the support you have offered in helping to spread the word. I am delighted to have already met with so many local residents, who have been open and willing to share their views and ideas. We’ve gathered views from 100 residents so far, but still have many more opinions to hear!

Community Facilitators

Three local residents have now joined the team; **Elaine**, **Dawn** and **Bev**, so you may see them around. Feel free to point people in their direction if you do!

IDEAS!

We’ve heard some great ideas that including:

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It has been great to speak with students at **Pebble Brook School**, teenagers at the **Youth Cafe** at Southcourt Baptist Church (Wednesdays 3.30-5.30pm), **Bridge the Gap** and **Movers and Shakers** (at the Church of the Good Shepherd on Monday’s 10.00-1.30pm), as well as local shop keepers and visitors to the **Healthy Living Centre**.

We’re looking forward to visiting **Ashmead School**, **Space** drop-in, **The Ark Toddler Group** and **Mandeville Surgery** in the coming week, to continue gathering views.

Please [email us](mailto:activitiescoordinator@healthylivingcentre.com) if we can visit your group!



* **A 6 a-side MUGGA football league**
* **Board Game coffee mornings**
* **An inter-generational gardening project**
* **Skills training for young people**
* **Storytime & Song group for tots & parents** (We’re going to kick start this with a festive theme through December. 1.30 – 2.15pm on Thursday 6th, 13th & 20th December at the Healthy Living Centre
* **Family cook and eat sessions**

All great suggestions and we are looking for more!

Inspiring Individuals

We’ve already met individuals who are actively working to provide more for the local community. This includes:

* A group of mums who have been campaigning to make school drop off safer outside Ashmead School
* A mum is organising affordable family coach trips to the seaside
* Volunteers running the foodbank
* Volunteers managing the Go Play Holiday Playscheme
* Many other people helping out neighbours and friends in a variety of ways

Appreciating the Good

Residents have stated what they like about the area. So many green spaces and parks, the local facilities including shops, GP, schools and bus service and being close to family and friends are all appreciated.

Options

A wonderful lady, Lara has created an online questionnaire. If it is easier for you, or people you know, to fill this in rather than meet with us in person, please follow this link: <https://goo.gl/forms/AT01svCwzkxKpsn83>

