



Forces Connect South East Update

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“Strengthen Local Government Delivery of the Covenant”

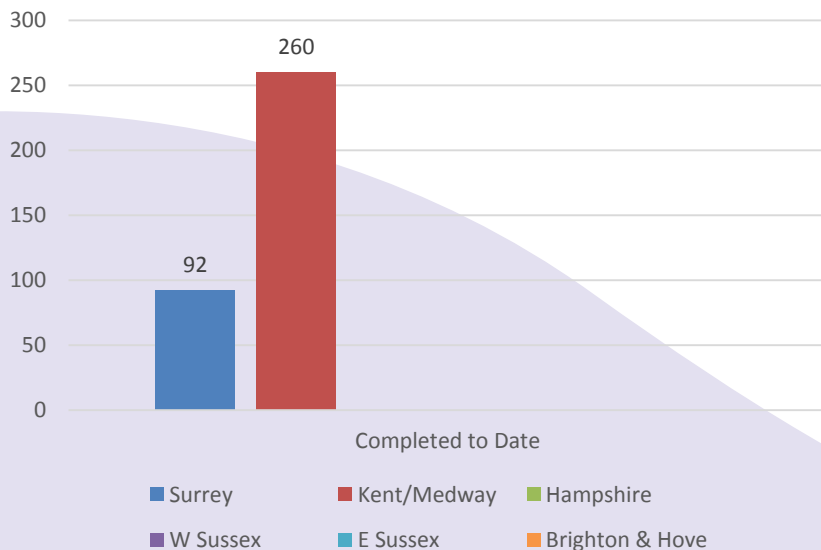
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Training available in Surrey

- **E-learning:** The Armed Forces Covenant for Frontline Staff. Access via My learning Portal or Surrey Skills Academy <http://surreyskillsacademy.learningpool.com/>

E-Learning Packages



- Package adapted from existing Warwickshire CC course
- Kent launched in November 17, Surrey launched in January 18
- Surrey CC adapting course for Sussex and Hampshire

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Supporting members of the armed forces

Armed Forces Covenant

Members of the armed forces can often find it harder to access public services than civilians and sometimes need more specific medical or social care as a result of their time in service.



We are committed to making sure that those serving in the armed forces are not at any disadvantage compared with civilians. In June 2017 Surrey received two years' funding from the Ministry of Defence's Armed Forces Covenant Fund to help us continue to support members of the armed forces, their families and ex-servicemen and women by providing training opportunities for staff and partners.

New training available

Using some of this funding we've launched a new e-learning module, which explains the commitment of the Armed Forces Covenant and how it can be honoured and implemented in the community. We would like to invite colleagues to complete the training to help you understand and apply the principles of the covenant locally. You can access it through the [My Learning portal](#) or via [Surrey Skills Academy](#). Classroom-based courses for those who wish to more substantially increase their knowledge will be available later this year. If you would like more information about this opportunity please email armedforces@surreycc.gov.uk.

Take the survey

We also want to find out how many colleagues have a connection to the armed forces, so that we can keep in touch with you and support the armed



ARMED FORCES COVENANT

Training available in Surrey

Become an Armed Forces Service Champion

You are invited to a brand new course designed to enhance your understanding of the Armed Forces and how we can support them.

The training will provide you with the skills and knowledge to better understand military life and the needs of people who may have left the Armed Forces, how to engage with them, and how your service might work with others in the best interest of serving personnel and veterans, family and carers.

**To book a place on one of the dates below
email scdt.admin@nhs.net**

28 March 1-5pm - County Hall, Kingston
23 May 1-5pm - Woking
21 June 1-5pm - Farnham
19 September 9.30am-1.30pm - Reigate
28 November 1-5pm - Staines

Forces Connect SE is a regional partnership, led by Surrey County Council, which has been successful in securing an MoD grant to fund this training across the whole of the south east region. Training delivered by the Armed Forces Network. CPD accredited half day course.

www.surreycc.gov.uk/armedforces



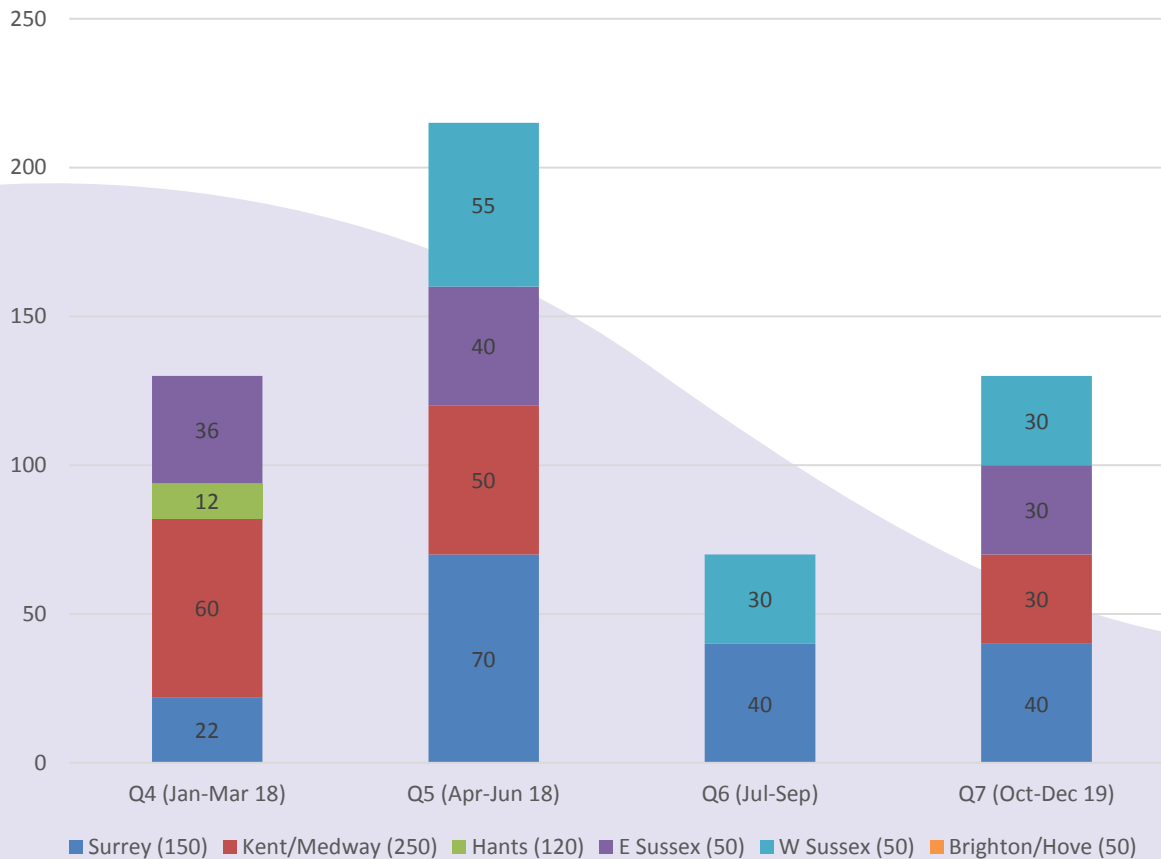
Armed Forces Service Champions

- Targeting 120+ in Surrey
- In-depth understanding of the aims of the Covenant and the issues facing the Community
- Sign-post to correct services and charitable schemes
- Deliver 1 hr awareness training to front-line staff and endorse e-learning package.
- 1 hour 'train the trainer' course will be available for Service Champions



Training available in Surrey

Service Champion Training. Target 720 across South East by Jun 19



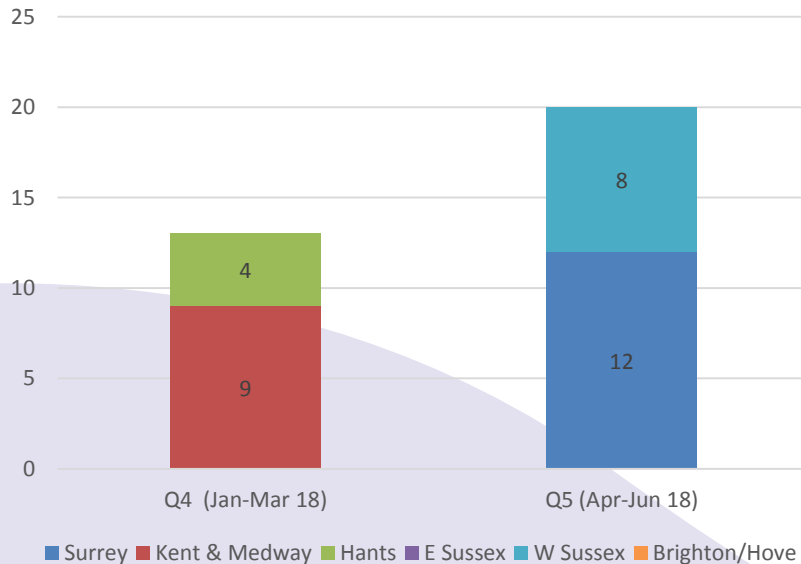
Armed Forces Service Champions

- First 22 trained by Mar 18
- Estimated trained:
 - 90 by Jun 18
 - 130 by Sep 18
 - 170 by Dec 18



Training Available in Surrey

Elected Councillor & Deputies - Target
55 of each (110)



Elected Councillor Armed Forces Champions

- 2 hour course delivered by Peter Bruinvels
- Strengthen role as advocates for Covenant and build strong relationships with AF leads and Task Force Commanders.

Trained to date: 13 Elected Councillors (9 from Kent/Medway and 4 from Hampshire).

Training forecast to Q5: 12 from Surrey and 8 from W Sussex

Over half of the target Councillors will have been trained by end of Jun 18.



Training Available in Surrey

Front Line Staff Training – 1 hour course

- Training pack produced by Peter Bruinvels to enable Service Champions to deliver awareness sessions to their colleagues and teams in their service areas.
- Link to Training pack – available on AF Network website post course.
- AF Network will endorse training during the Service Champion course.
- Designed to complement the e-learning and increase the reach of the training to a target of 2000+ local authority staff across the partnership (approx. 400 across Surrey).
- Train the Trainer sessions available to Service Champions who require it.
- **Surrey training being planned May/June 18**
- **West Sussex training 25th June, Chichester**

