



Item

Decision No.....

By: Colin Thompson

To: West Kent Health and Wellbeing Board, January 21st, 2014

Subject: Overview of substance misuse data in West Kent CCG district areas

Classification: Unrestricted

1. Purpose

1.1 To inform the Health and Wellbeing Board regarding the population health data of the four districts in the West Kent CCG area.

2. Alcohol data

2.1 Alcohol misuse is one of the major causes of liver disease. The figure below shows that since 1970, liver disease mortality has increased considerably, yet mortality from other diseases have reduced.

Figure 1

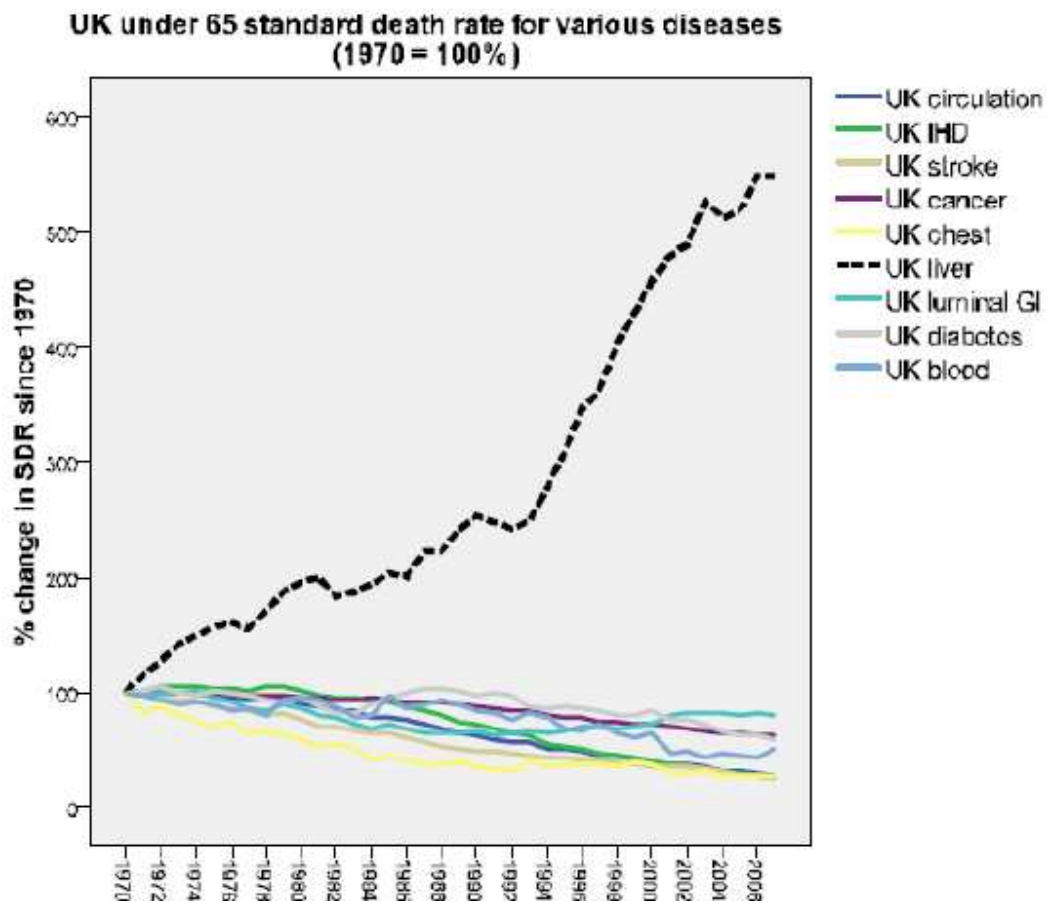


Table1: Hospital admissions for evidence of alcohol involvement by blood alcohol level/level of intoxication or toxic effects of alcohol

District Name	June 2011 - May 2012	June 2012 - May 2013	Number difference	% Diff
Maidstone	92	89	-3	-3.3%
Sevenoaks	55	80	25	45.5%
Tonbridge and Malling	80	97	17	21.3%
Tunbridge Wells	101	103	2	2.0%
KCC	930	1,006	76	8.2%

There was a reduction in the number of people admitted in Maidstone district, although there have been increases in the other districts. There was a considerable increase in Sevenoaks over the 12 month period, although it is still the lowest out of the four districts.

Table 2: Recorded crime attributable to alcohol: All ages

District Name	Number of all recorded crime attributable to alcohol (2010/11)	Crude rate per 1,000 population			
		2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
Maidstone	828	7.65	6.96	6.12	5.70
Sevenoaks	398	4.30	4.20	4.22	3.61
Tonbridge and Malling	488	5.54	4.80	4.34	4.64
Tunbridge Wells	439	5.61	4.85	4.92	4.35
South East	51,683	8.49	7.79	7.34	6.89
England	366,791	9.14	8.54	8.01	7.58

Recorded crime attributable to alcohol has reduced in all districts since 2007. All districts are lower than the regional and national average. Sevenoaks is more than half the rate of the national mean.

Figure 2

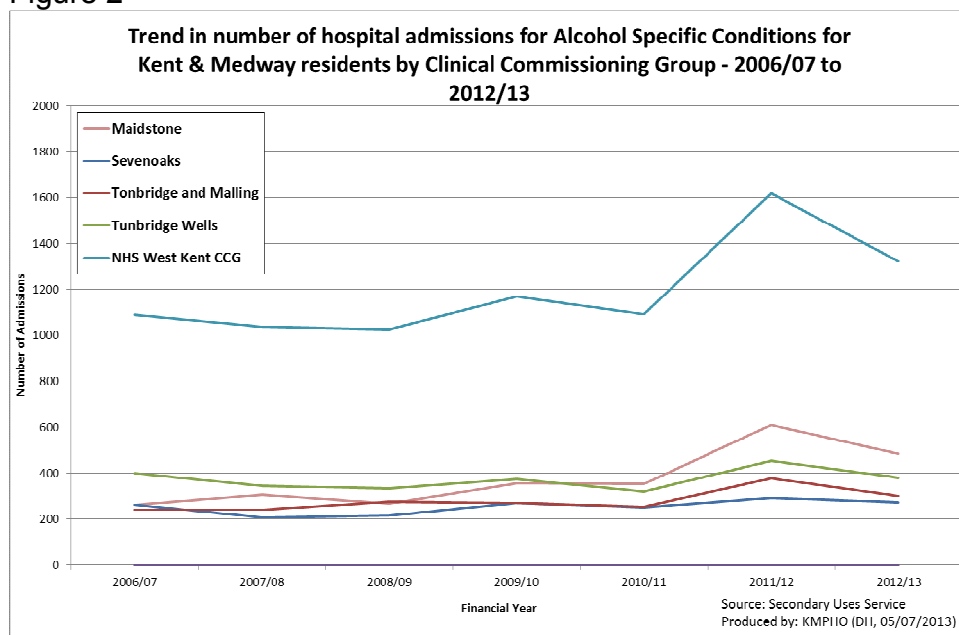


Figure 2 shows that there has been a slight overall increase in the number of alcohol specific admissions since 2006. There was a spike in the number of admissions in 2011/2012.

Figure 3

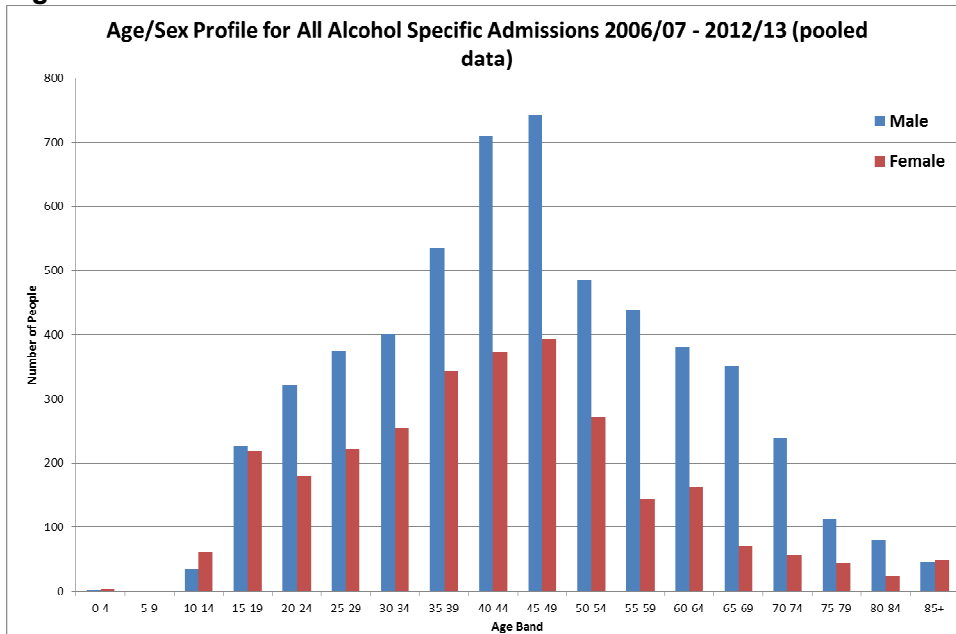


Figure 3 shows alcohol specific admissions and that males are admitted to hospital more than females (with the exception being for the 10-14 age group). Males aged between 40-44 and 45-49 are the most likely age group to be admitted.

Figure 4

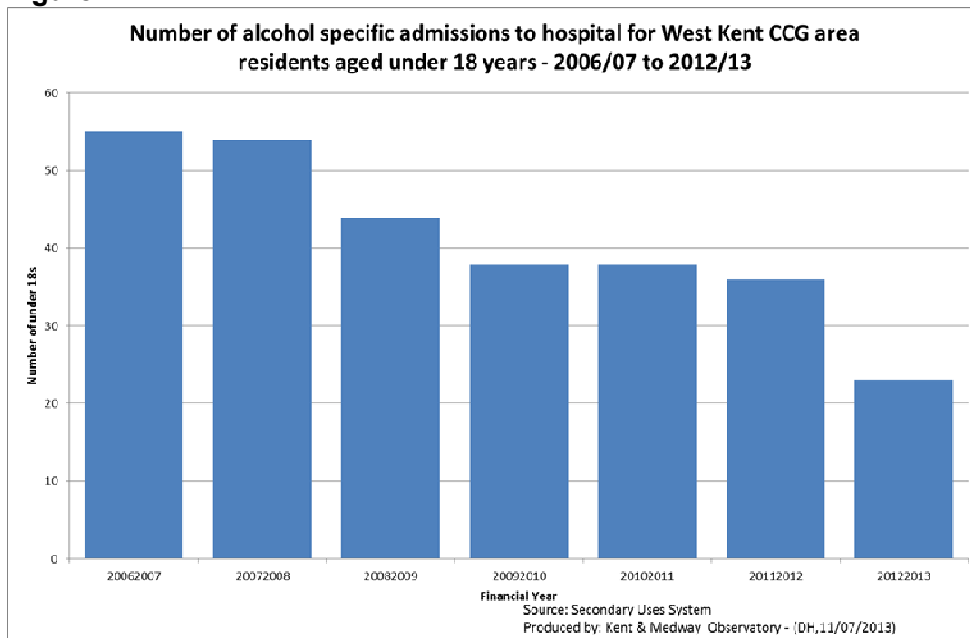


Figure 4 shows that alcohol specific admissions for under 18s have decreased considerably since 2006. This trend is similar in other parts of the county.

Table 3: Estimates of the number of abstainers, lower, increasing and higher risk drinkers by district.

District	Abstain	Lower	Increasing	Higher
Maidstone	13,219 (11.3%)	81,589 (69.9%)	15,793 (13.5%)	6,134 (5.3%)
Sevenoaks	10,887 (11.9%)	62,751 (68.3%)	13,302 (14.5%)	4,872 (5.3%)
Tonbridge and Malling	10,113 (11.0%)	64,278 (70.1%)	12,490 (13.6%)	4,872 (5.3%)
Tunbridge Wells	9,033 (10.8%)	57,505 (68.7%)	12,045 (14.4%)	5,154 (6.2%)

The estimates of the number of abstainers, lower, increasing and higher risk drinkers for each district shows similarities, across the four districts. Tunbridge has a higher proportion of higher risk drinkers and lowest proportion of abstainers.

3. Drug data

Table 4:

Table - Number of annual admissions to hospital for drug related conditions by Clinical Commissioning Group							
CCG	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13
NHS Ashford CCG	50	49	70	80	68	83	87
NHS Canterbury and Coastal CCG	99	200	189	224	254	265	299
NHS Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley CCG	135	184	161	178	214	265	302
NHS Medway CCG	290	299	282	309	359	374	355
NHS South Kent Coast CCG	132	162	198	212	219	247	318
NHS Swale CCG	108	103	87	123	109	151	153
NHS Thanet CCG	131	168	187	197	209	249	279
NHS West Kent CCG	328	328	306	364	357	477	528
Kent & Medway	1273	1493	1480	1687	1789	2111	2321

Source: Secondary Uses Service

Table 4 shows the number of admissions to hospital for drug related conditions has increased in all CCG areas. In West Kent, the number has increased by 60%

Figure 5: Admissions for Mental and Behavioral Disorders due to Psychoactive Substance Use (2011/12)

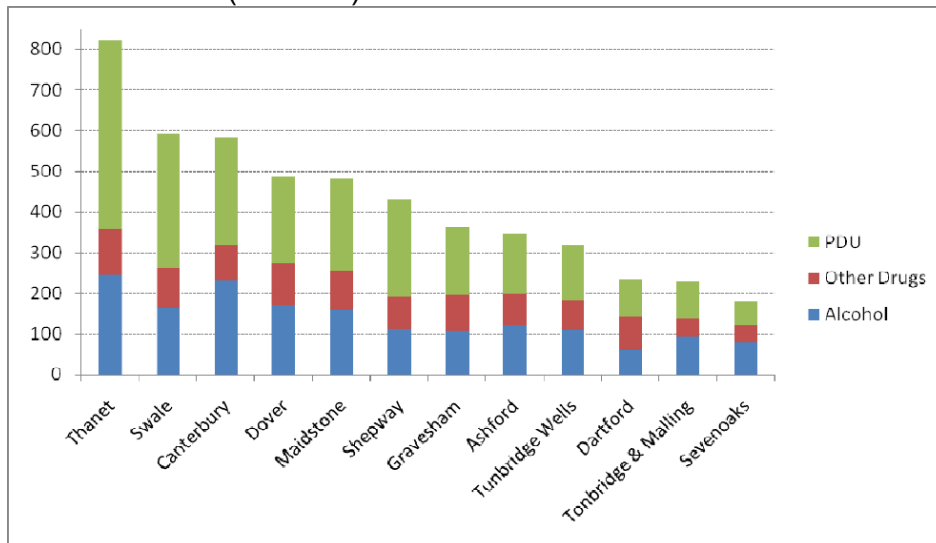


Figure 5 shows the breakdown of those admitted. Problem Drug Users (PDUs) were lowest in Sevenoaks. Maidstone had the highest number from local authorities in West Kent CCG.

Figure 6

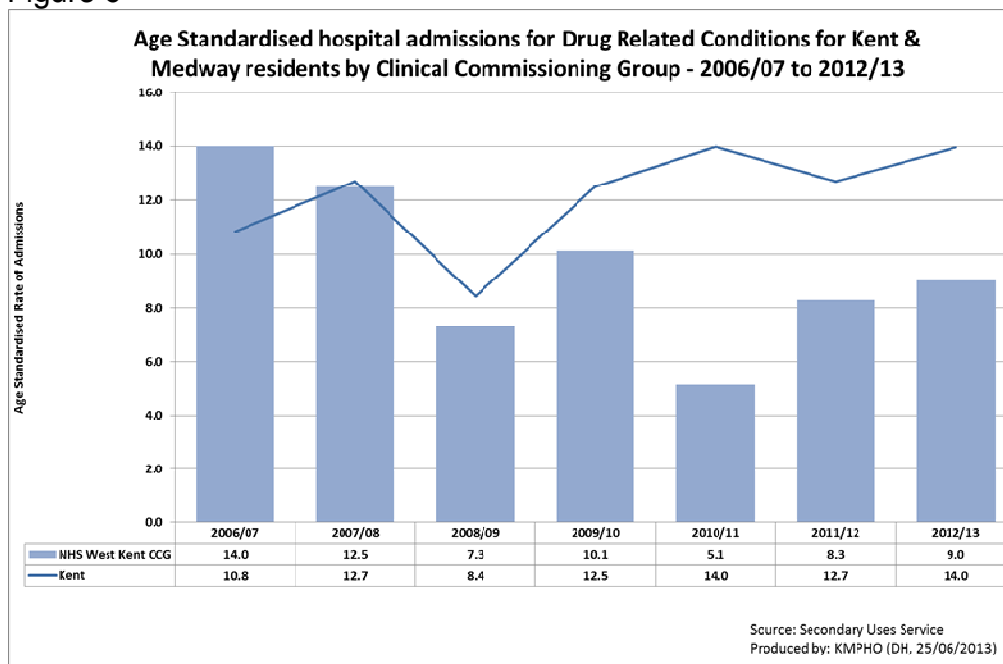


Figure 6 shows the age standardised admissions for drug related conditions and compares West Kent CCG with the Kent average. There has been an overall decrease since 2006/07. The rate for West Kent CCG is consistently lower than the Kent average.

4. Recommendations:

5.1 Members of the Health and Wellbeing Board are asked to note the Kent Alcohol Strategy.

6. Contact details

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