



Knowsley Disability Concern

Annual Report
2012-2013



Each year Knowsley Disability Concern KDC writes an **Annual Report**

An **Annual Report** is a report about what work KDC has done.

This is KDC's Annual Report for the year from April 2012 to March 2013



About KDC

KDC wants to support disabled people in Knowsley to

- Make their own choices
- Be in control of their lives
- Have independence



KDC provides different services to disabled people in Knowsley. These are

- Information and advice
- Direct Payments Support Service
- Citizen Advocacy
- Crisis and Issue Based advocacy
- Self-Advocacy
- Easy read information



KDC is run by a group of people called **trustees**.

Trustees are people who decided how KDC will do their work.

Our trustees are



Tony Foster (Chair)



Bryan Carr



Margaret Thorne



Amanda Thomson



Steve Harding



Yvonne Owens



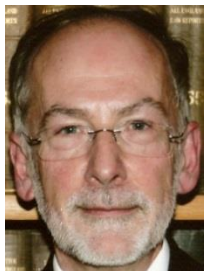
Michelle Abelwhite



Kemi Adeyemi



Richard Murphy



Peter Gallimore



Matthew Clarke



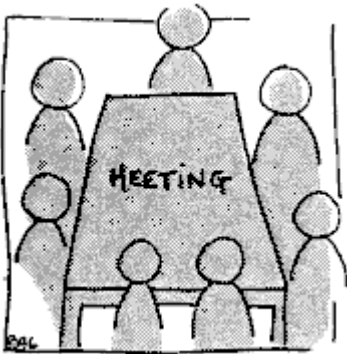
Robert Beech



KDC has a manager, Joyce Greaves



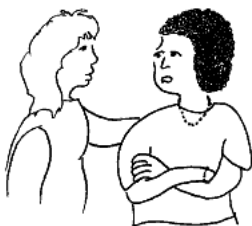
There is a team of staff who work in the office with Joyce



Joyce and the trustees meet every three months in small groups to think about



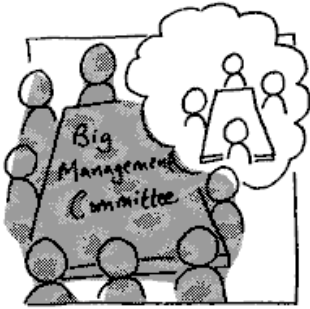
- Money



- People who work and volunteer for KDC



- People KDC support



KDC has a big meeting every year.

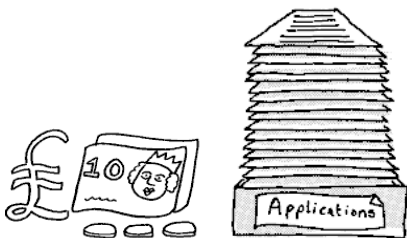


We look at the plans of what work we wanted to do this year







We make a plan for what work we want to do next year.





1. _____
2. _____
3. _____




What we said we would do



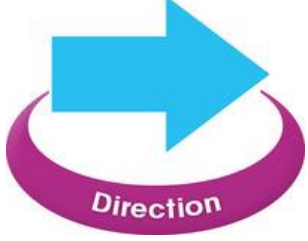





Apply for new contracts to pay for the work we do.



 <p>Bank</p>	<p>Help more people to have a managed account.</p> <p>A Managed Account is where KDC help people to look after their Direct Payments money.</p>
	<p>Increase the money we raise from other organisations buying our work.</p>
	<p>Help more people find the right support worker.</p>
	<p>Support people to speak up when they are in a crisis.</p>
	<p>Support more disabled young people to speak up.</p>
	<p>Save money.</p>

	<p>Communicate better with the people we support.</p>
	<p>Make sure we manage our money better.</p>
	<p>Make our office a better place for people who work here and visitors.</p>
	<p>What we did</p>
	<p>We won two new contracts to pay for our work for the next three years. These were for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • direct payments • advocacy

	<p>We made changes to the way the office works. This makes things run smoothly.</p>
	<p>We made the payroll into a new company.</p>
	<p>We set up a website to connect people with support workers.</p>
	<p>We got extra money from a grant to pay for more advocates.</p>
	<p>We got some money to pay for training sessions in schools.</p>

	<p>We got some money to pay for more staff.</p>
	<p>We spent less money on office costs by being careful.</p>
	<p>We made the website better and started using facebook.</p>
	<p>We started using a new reporting system.</p>
	<p>We employed a book keeper to pay bills and record our money.</p>
	<p>We decorated and got some new furniture.</p>

	<p>Our plans for next year</p>
	<p>Get better at measuring the quality of our services and what people think about them.</p>
	<p>Have more people join direct payment support groups to help each other.</p>
	<p>Get more people to register to find support worker jobs.</p>
	<p>Have more people buying our payroll service.</p>
	<p>Help more support workers get training to help them in their job</p>

	<p>Get more trustees with the right skills on the board.</p>
	<p>Get more money from grants to help us keep going.</p>
	<p>Improve the computers in the office.</p>
	<p>Get some new signs to help people find us better.</p>
	<p>Run a survey to find out what information and advice people need.</p>
	<p>Produce a company booklet.</p>

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