Communities, Housing and Environment Committee

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External Board/Outside Body

External Board/Outside Body	Maidstone Mediation
Councillor(s) represented on the Outside Body/External Board	Clive English
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Purpose of the External Board/Outside Body:

Providing Mediation resources and training to Maidstone and Malling to schools, residents and public bodies, covering neighbour disputes, peer support, anger management, dispute resolution, restorative justice and many other areas. The benefit to the sponsoring bodies including MBC and Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council in terms of the reduction of violent and/or anti-social behaviour is significant.

Update:

The organisation is currently focussing on expanding its current volunteer base to cover both additional mediation and anger management activities to reduce the potential for prolonged or additional conflicts, and training courses are ongoing. Anyone interested can contact them on Maidstonemediation@gmail.com
Additionally the organisation is seeking to increase its referrals from both Social landlords and Local Authority Housing Teams, which are lower than one would expect..

My own recent personal focus has been as treasurer of Maidstone Mediation.