# 'Learning from the Essex Edge of Care Social Impact Bond (SIB)'

An event organised jointly by Childrens Support Services Ltd (CSSL) and Essex County Council.

1.00pm to 4.30pm , Thursday 14 March 2019 (1.00pm for light lunch, 1.30pm start).

The Premier Suite, Essex County Cricket ground, Chelmsford, Essex

#### Aims

- To share learning and findings on the outcomes from the Essex Edge of Care Social Impact Bond (SIB) which has completed after 5 years of operation.
- To share the independent evaluation findings from the Rees Centre, Oxford University and perspectives on involvement in the project from the partners.
- To engage in discussion with commissioners, providers, investors researchers and other stakeholders about comparable projects and innovations for young people on the edge of care.

	Programme
1.00 - 1.30	Buffet lunch and refreshments
1.30 - 1.40	Welcome and introduction
	Andrew Levitt, CSSL
1.40 - 2.00	About the Essex Edge of Care SIB
	David Burnett, Chairman, CSSL
	The family experience of MST
	Sarah Reeves, MST Programme Manager, Action for Children and
	Family Psychology Mutual
2.00 - 2.20	Our project learning
	Helen Lincoln, Executive Director for Children, Families and
	Education, Essex County Council
2.20 - 2.40	Understanding the impact of MST on young people and families in
	Essex
	Dr Lisa Holmes and Dr Helen Drew, Rees Centre for Research in
	Fostering and Education, Department of Education, University of
	Oxford
2.40 - 3.00	Understanding the impact of delivering MST In Essex via a SIB
	Christina Economy, Research PhD investigator, University of Oxford
3.00 - 3.20	Questions and panel discussion
3.20 - 3.40	Tea and coffee
3.40 - 4.15	Table discussions
4.15 – 4.30	Plenary session and close

### **Speaker biographies**

## **David Burnett**

David Burnett is a partner in TT International, and was Managing Partner from January, 1999 to July 2005. From 1986 to September, 1998, David Burnett held various positions with SBC Warburg including being head of the Japanese Equity business and head of the Fixed Interest and Treasury Division of S.G. Warburg. From 1985 to 1986, David Burnett was a partner in Rowe & Pitman having worked there since 1979. David holds an MA degree from Cambridge University. David is the chair of Children's Support Services Limited.

## **Helen Lincoln**

Helen Lincoln joined Essex County Council in July 2011 and is the Executive Director for Children, Families & Education. Prior to this role, Helen held similar positions in Tower Hamlets and the London Borough of Merton. Helen is a qualified Social Worker, and holds a combined Degree (BA Hons) and CQSW from Nottingham Polytechnic. On qualifying, she worked for ten years for Leicestershire County Council where she undertook a range of social work and managerial roles. Helen is passionate about effective social work practice and has contributed throughout her career to a range of initiatives, most recently contributing to the Munro Review of Child Protection. During her London years, she chaired and authored much of the pan London Child Protection Procedures. She co-authored "Ten pitfalls in assessment and how to avoid them" and has co-authored an article "Practice needs to be braver, Child Protection and the paradigm of risk". Helen has been a strong supporter of sector-led improvement, and, as such, she is a lead contractor with the DfE for improving children's services as Intervention Advisers, and as a Partner in Practice, to other local authorities, graded Inadequate and Requires Improvement, by Ofsted, respectively. Over the last 8 years Helen has taken Essex children services from an OFSTED rating of inadequate to outstanding.

### **Lisa Holmes**

Lisa Holmes is Director of the Rees Centre, University of Oxford. Previously, Lisa was the Director of the Centre for Child and Family Research, Loughborough University and was involved in the research centre's formation in 2001. Over the past eighteen years Lisa has undertaken a range of research and evaluation projects to inform child welfare policy and practice. In 2005 Lisa was seconded into the English government department for Children, Schools and Families to disseminate research findings and produce a resource pack to assist child welfare services with the strategic development and planning of services. Lisa's research interests are embedded in her early career experiences of working in a children's home in the early 1990s. This interest in children's residential care has continued and Lisa is a founding member and co-chair (with Professor James Whittaker and Professor Jorge F del Valle) of the International Work Group on Therapeutic Residential Care.

### **Helen Drew**

Helen Drew is an Associate Researcher with the Rees Centre, University of Oxford and a Teaching and Research Fellow at the University of Sussex. Helen completed her PhD in 2017 at the University of Sussex. Her doctoral research focused on the mental health of children in foster care across the period of late childhood and early adolescence. Helen has continued to work on a range of research projects, including piloting a training and assessment package for teachers and foster carers to improve mental health support for children in care. She also teaches on undergraduate courses in Developmental Psychology and Research Methods. Helen's research interests developed from her previous career as a class teacher in primary education.

### Sarah Reeves

Sarah Reeves is a consultant clinical psychologist and systemic family therapist, who in her career has worked in both adult and child mental health services. She has worked within MST for 7 years, both as a supervisor with one of the MST adaptations (for young people with harmful sexual behaviour) and also as a programme manager. Sarah was seconded to work with Action for Children in their Essex MST project as a programme manager in summer 2015, approximately two years into the project. She currently works part-time at the Maudsley Hospital in a forensic child and adolescent mental health service and part-time for Family Psychology Mutual, as a programme manager.

### **Christi Economy**

Christi Economy is currently a PhD student with the Government Outcomes Lab at the Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford. She is interested in how government agencies can more effectively serve children and families and is exploring innovative models such as the social impact bond. Prior to starting her PhD, Christi worked as a Project Leader with the Harvard Kennedy School Government Performance Lab. There she worked directly with various state and local governments on outcomes-based commissioning projects aimed to expand access to early childhood education. Christi has also worked with the U.S. Overseas Private Investment Corporation and the U.S. Department of State. She holds a Master of Public Policy from the University of Cambridge and a summa cum laude BA in Economics and International Relations from the University of Pennsylvania. Christi is originally from Hilo, Hawaii.