

VIVALDI Adult Social Care Engagement Collective (ASCEC) Meeting 18 – 10th June 2025
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Attending:	Zoe Fry	-	Director, The Outstanding Society (OS) and leading on the Vivaldi 'Engagement Workstream'
	Laura Shallcross	-	Public Health Doctor by background, working as a Professor at UCL and led the original VIVALDI study
	Oliver Stirrup	-	Statistician / Academic
	Graeme Childe	-	UKHSA Representative
	Rachel Kwiatkowska		UCL
	Francesco Santino Palma	-	Relative through Use MY Data
	Katie Thorn	-	Digital Care Hub, Project Lead
	Kate Meacock	-	Founding member of the campaign group Rights for Residents and had mum in a care home
	Sarah Bolas	-	CNM shire Oaks Court, Exemplar Health care group
	Sarah Ibrahim	-	Exemplar
	Joanne Layden	-	Exemplar
	Debbie Leeson-Smith	-	Risedale, Health and Safety Manager Infection Prevention and Control Lead
	Louise Bouthemy	-	EQ Care
	Lucy Knight	-	VIVALDI Social Care Programme Coordinator, the OS
	Helen Gibson	-	Sheffcare
	Seke Shadreck	-	Exemplar
	Louise Keane	-	Co-chair London social care nursing advisory council
	Lauren Hague	-	Care England, Senior Policy Officer
	Diane Mayhew	-	Rights for Residents, Co-Founder
	Steve Leavis	-	Exemplar
	Anna-Catrina Salazar	-	EQ Care
	Anna-Marie Hale	-	Exemplar
	Judy Smith MBE	-	Resident of Wescombe Park care home
	Judith Morgan Worrall	-	Stow Healthcare
	Lianne Sturmey	-	EQ Care
	Agnieszka Bednarek	-	Exemplar
	Helen Hill		Stow healthcare
	Joanne Layden	-	Home Manager , St Andrews Court
Apologies:			
	Helen Cheney	-	Health Protection Lead

	Rob Hargreaves	-	Skills For Care, Information Service Manager
	Victoria Hall	-	Consultant Epidemiologist, UKHSA
	Victoria Longstaff	-	IPC lead at HC-One
	Arnoupe Jhass	-	PhD student working with VIVALDI and GP working in West London
	Mike Slator	-	Project Support Specialist for The OS and Pharmacist

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 8th July 11.00am-12.00pm.

Summary

Introduction and Apologies:

Zoe Fry (Outstanding Society director and nurse) opened the meeting, noting apologies which will be published online.

EQ Care Group Update:

Louise shared that EQ Care operates four care homes and is expanding. They use Nourish for care records and Camascope for electronic systems.

Vivaldi Project Feedback:

Lianne from EQ Care highlighted ongoing challenges in understanding the Vivaldi project and the need to engage more with residents and families. Zoe suggested short sessions and relatives meetings to improve clarity.

General Project Update (UCL):

Laura reported delays in receiving NHS England data but noted progress on a podcast about social care research and a new care home-focused project.

Dashboard Development (UKHSA):

Graeme provided an update on dashboard approval and development, emphasising user research groups to refine functionality.

Data Pipeline and Benchmarking (UCL):

Oliver explained the data linkage process and benchmarking challenges, emphasising the need for accurate comparisons.

Website Review:

Lucy is reviewing the website to reflect project growth and welcomes improvement suggestions.

Upcoming Events:

Zoe shared plans for meetings with CQC inspectors, the Care Show (October 2024), and a parliamentary reception (January 2026).

Q&A

Q: How can we better understand the Vivaldi project?

A: Zoe offered to provide:

- Bespoke one-to-one meetings
- Short information sessions
- Meetings with relatives to clarify the system and its benefits

Q: Are there issues with the data affecting care home residents?

A: No. Data issues are related only to linking and formatting, not the actual resident data.

Q: How will care homes be compared in the dashboard?

A: Oliver emphasised a cautious and fair comparison approach, factoring in:

- Home size
- Care type (e.g., nursing, dementia)
- Regional differences
- Recognition of limitations in making direct comparisons

Q: Can homes provide more detailed information during sign-up?

A: Initially, the sign-up process was intentionally light-touch. Future improvements may include:

- Leveraging existing CQC data
- Introducing optional survey fields
- Exploring live data sources to minimise admin workload

Q: How accurate are hospital admission and prescription codes?

A:

- Hospital admissions: Some subjectivity in coding
- Prescriptions: Considered more reliable
- The team acknowledges there are inherent limitations in both data types