

Research Involvement Newsletter

July 2026



News Round Up

Training

We recently ran two sessions on the **Research Process**, there was an **NIHR lay summary reviewing** course and a **PPI refresher** for CHSS staff.

We held a **'Tea and Teams'** session for those wanting to learn more about using Microsoft Teams. (University virtual meetings are moving over to Teams).

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Welcome!

To new members of the Research Involvement Group (RIG). We look forward to working with you.

We will continue to share any involvement opportunities with group members as they come up.

Best wishes

Amanda and Ellie

Opening Doors since 2016!

2026 marks the tenth anniversary of Opening Doors to Research, our CHSS PPI group for people based in Kent and Medway.

Group members and CHSS research colleagues celebrated this landmark on 23 June following on from our quarterly research meeting.

Despite the heatwave, we were able to keep cool with the aid of several fans and cold water!

The beautiful room decorations came from the **CHSS creatives** group and special thanks to CHSS staff member **Louise Law** for the wonderful and truly delicious cake.

See more photos from the day overleaf.

CHSS Opening Doors at 10



Highlights from a celebration of ten years of CHSS Opening Doors to Research Group, 23 June

Farewell to Helen!

Having been part of our PPI team since 2021,
**Communications and Engagement Coordinator
Helen McGregor** leaves us this month for new
ventures and adventures!

We will miss her and wish her all the best for the future.



We wish all our involvement members a wonderful Summer.
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