

ACORNS (Autism Community Research Network – Sussex) steering group

ACORNS (Autism Community Research Network – Sussex) is a new initiative developed at the University of Sussex following a related initiative in place at the University of Southampton. The Sussex ACORNS hub will support participatory research, research dissemination and links between research and practice in autism to enable better pathways to impact for all concerned. The hub also seeks to generate new areas of participant-informed research emerging from professional or life experiences of those working with or living with autism. It also seeks to connect up groups and practitioners across education, social care, psychology and health to attend to the gaps in research, knowledge, evidence and practice. We were invited to join the steering group because of our experience and expertise in this area.

This initiative gives us valuable contacts and information that can be of great value to staff, students and families at Woodlands Meed.