

Programme

(May be subject to change)

The programme will cover two main areas - Life Story Work & Understanding & Managing Autism

Chair:	A Kent Adopter
9:00am – 9:15am	Arrivals and refreshments
9:15am – 9:45am	Welcome and introductions Celebration of achievements and DVD Peter Oakford – Cabinet Member for Specialist Children`s Services, Kent County Council
9:45am – 10:20am	Life Story work: `the translation of meaning` Renuka Jeyarajah-Dent, Director of Operations & Deputy CEO, Coram
10: 20am – 10:55am	The impact of Life Story on an adopted child – `a personal reflection` An Adopter
10:55am – 11:25am	Tea / coffee break
11:25am – 12:10pm	Life Story from a child`s perspective Debbie Watson, Senior Lecturer Childhood Studies, University of Bristol
12:10pm – 12:30pm	Childrens Guides Amy Coombs, Family Finding Team Manager & Lisa Heeley, Senior Social Worker, Kent County Council
12:30pm – 1:30pm	Lunch break
1:30pm – 2:45pm	Understanding and managing Autism Anne Bartlett, Independent Speech and Language Therapist
2:45pm – 3:15pm	Tea / coffee break
3:15pm – 4:00pm	Autism – An Adopter`s journey
4:00pm – 4:30pm	Future Service Delivery & Closing Summary Philip Segurola, Acting Director, Specialist Children`s Services, Kent County Council
4:30pm – 5:00pm	Summit closes – Continuation of viewing Life Story books and Life Story tools

Please note:

During the breaks and after the summit closes, instructions will be provided to see Life Story tools from the University of Bristol and anonymised Kent County Council Life Story books.
