

**Press release – 12<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

## **Xantura and Mutual Ventures partner to help deliver data-led innovation in Children's Services**

Mutual Ventures and Xantura are excited to announce a new strategic partnership to support councils in transforming how they deliver Children's Services through intelligent use of data.

This strategic partnership will enable local authorities across the country to benefit from Xantura's innovative and ethical approach to data sharing and analytics and Mutual Ventures' expertise in organisational transformation.

With ever growing demand and the recent impact of Covid-19, targeted early intervention is going to be critical in improving outcomes for children and preventing existing cases escalating through the system. Social workers need to be empowered with the information and tools they need to do their jobs and not encumbered with administration and red tape.

Data can play an important role in delivering these outcomes, but it has to be delivered in an ethical and proportionate way, whilst keeping children, families and social workers at the heart of Children's Services. We believe this partnership provides the tools and expertise to deliver this.

### **Mutual Ventures Executive Chair David Fairhurst said:**

"We're very excited by this partnership and what it enables us to do for Children's Services. Through Xantura's best-in-class *OneView* data platform and Mutual Ventures' user-led service redesign capability, we can help our clients seize this opportunity to reimagine the way their services are delivered: better, cheaper, fit for the future."

### **Xantura CEO Wajid Shafiq said:**

"The mission of Xantura has always been to improve outcomes for vulnerable people by using data as an enabler rather than a barrier. We are very excited to be partnering with Mutual Ventures to bring together our combined expertise and enable us to provide truly innovative solutions to Children's Services to help and support frontline staff."

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### **About Mutual Ventures**

Mutual Ventures are passionate about better, more sustainable public services. Combining a strong public service ethos with commercial discipline, we work in partnership with our clients to develop service strategies, establish innovative organisational models and the culture needed to drive effective service delivery. We work across all areas of public service including children's services, health and social care, culture services and more.

We have particular experience in the children's social care sector, advising on national strategic DfE programmes such as the Children's Social Care Innovation Programme, Regional Adoption Agencies and the Strengthening Families: Protecting Children Programme.

For further information see our website [www.mutualventures.co.uk](http://www.mutualventures.co.uk) or contact us at [info@mutualventures.co.uk](mailto:info@mutualventures.co.uk)

### **About Xantura**

Xantura are a mission-driven organisation founded specially to help local authorities to improve outcomes for vulnerable people. We have over 10 years' experience of working with local authorities across a range of areas including debt, homelessness, children's services and adult's services.

Regardless of the service that we provide, the ambition is always the same – to help local authorities to improve outcomes for their vulnerable residents by enabling their front-line staff to have access to all the information they need to make quicker, more informed decisions.

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