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Meeting Executive Lead Member for Children's Services and Young

People Decision Day

Date and Time Wednesday, 16th September, 2020 at 2.00 pm

Place Remote Microsoft Teams Meeting

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AGENDA

DEPUTATIONS

To receive any deputations notified under Standing Order 12.

KEY DECISIONS (NON-EXEMPT/NON-CONFIDENTIAL)

CHILDREN'S SERVICES CAPITAL PROGRAMME UPDATE (Pages 3 - 22)

To consider a report of the Director of Children's Services and Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services regarding the Children's Services Capital Programme.

NON KEY DECISIONS (NON-EXEMPT/NON-CONFIDENTIAL)

2. SCHOOL MEAL PRICE FROM NOVEMBER 2020 (Pages 23 - 30)

To consider a report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services regarding the school meal price from November 2020.

3. STATEMENTS OF PURPOSE FOR HAMPSHIRE'S CHILDREN'S HOMES, FOSTERING, AND ADOPTION SERVICES (LESS EXEMPT APPENDICES) (Pages 31 - 38)

To consider a report of the Director of Children's Services regarding the Statements of Purpose for Hampshire's Children's Homes, Fostering and Adoption Services.

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RECOMMENDATION:

That the public be excluded from the meeting during the following item of business, as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during this item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information within Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, and further that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons set out in the report.

KEY DECISIONS (EXEMPT/CONFIDENTIAL)

None

NON KEY DECISIONS (EXEMPT/CONFIDENTIAL)

4. STATEMENTS OF PURPOSE FOR HAMPSHIRE'S CHILDREN'S HOMES, FOSTERING, AND ADOPTION SERVICES (EXEMPT APPENDICES) (Pages 39 - 376)

To consider exempt appendices relating to Item 3 on the agenda.

ABOUT THIS AGENDA:

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ABOUT THIS MEETING:

The press and public are welcome to observe the public sessions of the meeting via the webcast.

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services and Young People
Date of Decision:	16 September 2020
Decision Title:	Children's Services Capital Programme update
Report From:	Director of Children's Services and Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services

Contact name: Peter Colenutt, Assistant Director, Strategic Development and Capital Delivery, Children's Services and Adult Services

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Recommendation(s)

- 1 That the revised capital programme cash limit of £70.034m for 2020/21 be approved.
- 2 That the revised 2020/21 capital programme at Appendix 1 be approved, along with the amendments to the 2020/21 capital programme.
- That it be a recommendation to Cabinet that the uncommitted funding of £31.845m as set out in Appendix 2 be carried forward from 2019/20 to the 2020/21 capital programme.
- That the projects listed at Appendix 3 for Access Improvements in Schools for 2020/21 be approved.
- 5 That the Healthy Pupils Capital Fund projects identified in Appendix 4 be noted.
- That it be recommended that funding and approval be given for the application of planning permission for modular buildings to be located on the sites listed at Appendix 5.
- 7 That the projects approved under delegated powers by the Director of Children's Services in Appendix 6 are noted.

Executive Summary

This report sets out the updated Children's Services Capital Programme for 2020/21.

Background

- The Secretary of State for Education has now announced details of individual local authority capital allocations for Basic Need (BN) and the School Condition Allocation (SCA) with an additional SCA allocation announced on 5 August 2020. The announcements cover the period 2020/21 2021/22 for BN and 2020/21 for SCA.
- The Children's Services Capital Programme is based on government grants, capital receipts, developer contributions and local resources.

Basic Need Allocation 2021/22

- The most recent capital announcement by the Department for Education (DfE) on 15 April 2020 allocated £40.904m to Hampshire for 2021/22. Government grant for the period 2020-2023 totals £55.616m and the grant allocations from the DfE have largely caught up with the forecast demand for school places. The DfE have developed a fair and transparent way of allocating Basic Need funding that directly relates to the forecast need. In Hampshire, some new school place funding has been provided for places yet to be delivered. There is the potential for a zero or very low capital allocation in 2022/23 as the DfE assess the impact of the free school places that they directly fund. At this stage, it is unclear exactly how this will be calculated, with guidance from the DfE awaited.
- On the 29 June 2020 the government announced an additional £560m in school condition funding would be made available in 2020/21 to maintain and improve the school estate. The DfE announced specific allocations on 5 August 2020 and the County Council is to receive an additional £8.086m School Condition Allocation in 2020/21. This welcome news will assist in improving the quality of the school estate in Hampshire.

Revised Capital Programme 2019/20

Following the approval to carry forward resources by the County Council at its meeting on 13 February 2020 and other programme amendments, the revised cash limit for the programme is shown in Table 1.

Table 1 – Revised 2019/20 Cash Limit	£'000
Cash limit reported 10 January 2020	98,807
Projects and resources carried forward to 2020/21	-31,845
Additional developer contribution – Calthorpe Park	85
Children's Services IT – Cash limit transfer	-300
Abbotswood, Romsey developer contribution	7

Fort Hill demolition – cash limit transfer	-299
Bloswood Lane, Whitchurch developer contribution	122
Overton Hill developer contribution	44
Total	66,621

Carry Forward from 2019/20

- A total of £49.211m will be carried forward into 2020/21. This includes resources and projects (totalling £17.366m) within the updated 2019/20 capital programme which was approved on 10 January 2020. Of the £31.845m resources carried forward, £20.633m is already committed.
- The £11.212m uncommitted funding will be added to the 2020/21 programme. Following the amendments in Table 2, the total contingency figure for the programme is £6.355m. Given the overall value of the programme and potential impact of Covid-19 this is considered a prudent sum. A detailed breakdown of these resources is attached at Appendix 2.
- Taking into account changes since the 2020/21 capital programme was last approved on 10 January 2020 (including those proposed in this report), the revised cash limit for the programme is shown in Table 2.

Table 2 – Revised 2020/21 Cash Limit	£'000
Cash limit reported 10 January 2020	42,433
Projects deferrals from 2019/20	31,845
Resources carried forward to 2021/22	-5,000
Capital receipts applied	572
Devolved Formula Capital – adjusted DfE grant	9
North Stoneham Park, Eastleigh developer contribution	52
Redhill Road, Rowlands Castle developer contribution	77
Woodcroft, Waterlooville developer contribution	46
Total	70,034

Amendments to the 2020/21 Capital Programme

Osborne School satellite provision at Kings' School, Winchester

- The requirement for an additional 20 places for Osborne School was approved on 10 July 2019. The additional accommodation is planned to be delivered through satellite provision at Kings' School at an estimated cost of £1.2m (including fees).
- Initial site investigations have revealed a significant water main in the area planned for the new building requiring a new location on an existing car park to be found. The revised scheme now includes for additional works to remove a thick concrete wall, manage varying levels and to provide the replacement car parking spaces at an estimated additional cost of £0.383m.
- Therefore, it is recommended that additional resources of £0.383m (including fees) are approved from the 2020/21 capital programme. A detailed project appraisal will be brought to a future Decision Day.

Shepherds Down School, Winchester

- The requirement for 20 additional places for children with complex learning needs at Shepherds Down School was approved on 10 July 2019. The new teaching spaces, dining room extension and occupational therapy space were estimated to cost £1.4m (including fees).
- Due to the constraints of a live, tight site, tender returns were higher than expected for the groundworks and the impact of Covid-19. Additional fencing to separate the workforce and pupils was required along with additional mechanical ventilation and acoustic treatment to the classrooms given the school's proximity to the M3 motorway.
- Therefore, it is recommended that additional resources of £0.3m (including fees) are approved from the 2020/21 capital programme. A detailed project appraisal will be brought to a future decision day.

Winton Community Academy, Andover

- Due to pressure on secondary places from housing developments at East Anton and Picket Twenty, it is proposed to expand the catchment school by a permanent 1fe expansion (150 places). The planned works and increase in pupil numbers have been agreed with the Academies Enterprise Trust (AET), the academy sponsor.
- The works consist of re-modelling existing accommodation to provide two additional food technology spaces along with an increase in toilet provision to accommodate the additional pupils. These works are estimated to cost £0.760m (including fees).
- 25 Therefore, it is recommended that resources of £0.760m (including fees) are approved as a grant to AET from the 2020/21 capital programme.

Access improvements in schools

- As in previous years, funding has been made available to fund access improvements to mainstream schools, both at a pupil-led and strategic level.
- 27 It is recommended that the projects listed at Appendix 3 are approved for 2020/21.

Healthy Pupils Capital Fund

- As previously reported on 9 May 2018, Hampshire County Council received a one-off Healthy Pupils Capital Grant of £1.537m. The grant is to be used to improve children's and young people's physical and mental health by improving and increasing availability to facilities for physical activity, healthy eating, mental health and wellbeing for able body and medical conditions.
- In consultation with colleagues in Public Health, schools and areas were identified where obesity issues had been discovered through the weighing and measuring of Year R and Year 6 pupils. Projects were delivered at Primary, Secondary and Special schools.
- The programme has delivered the following range of projects:
 - 6 projects upgrading swimming pools
 - 33 projects supporting playground re-surfacing, new outdoor equipment, daily mile running tracks and external space improvements.
 - Over 100 schools benefited from healthy eating projects receiving new equipment and café re-branding.
 - 30 schools benefitted from new cycle and scooter sheds under new travel initiatives.

The majority of the above projects are now complete, but some outstanding schemes are finalising project details and there are a small number of projects of c. £90k to be determined which will be brought to a future decision day. These are expected to complete over the coming months. A list of projects funded by the Healthy Pupils Capital grant is attached as Appendix 4.

Under delegated powers and following consultation with the Executive Member for Children's Services, the actions set out in Appendix 6 have been taken and it is recommended that these approvals are noted.

Modular Classrooms

The use of high-quality modular buildings can be a solution for some accommodation pressures. Such buildings are relatively quick to install and provide for a good quality learning environment, meeting the most recent building regulations. For some schools, modular classrooms may be the only expansion solution, whilst others may find a mixture of both permanent and modular accommodation.

- 33 Details of the location of modular buildings required for September 2020 are listed in Appendix 5. Some units will be rented due to the shorter-term requirement. Alternatively, units already owned by HCC will be moved site whilst others will be purchased recognising a longer-term pressure in those locations. Therefore, it is recommended that funding and approval be given for the application of planning for modular buildings listed at Appendix 5.
- It is also recommended that authority be delegated to the Director of Children's Services to revise and fund, any additional modular buildings other than those listed in Appendix 3 following receipt of updated information on pupil places required for the September 2020 intakes.

Action taken by the Director of Children's Services

Under delegated powers and following consultation with the Executive Member for Children's Services, the actions set out in Appendix 6 have been taken and it is recommended that these approvals are noted.

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REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	Yes
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	Yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	Yes
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	Yes

Other Significant Links

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Links to previous Member decisions:			
Title	Reference	<u>Date</u>	
Children's Services Capital Programme 2017/18	7917	18 January 2017	
to 2019/20		,	
Children's Services Capital Programme update	n/a	19 June 2017	
Children's Services capital programme update	n/a	20 September	
		2017	
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives			
Title	<u>Date</u>		

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

<u>Document</u> <u>Location</u>

None

EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:

1. Equality Duty

The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation);
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;
- Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it:
- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionally low.

2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

Equality and diversity objectives will be considered on an individual project basis by conducting Equality Impact Assessments and are not considered at this stage or within this report.

Revised Children's Services Capital Programme 2020/21

Category	Project	Estimated Starts Value £'000
Primary School Projects	Ashley Junior, New Milton	197
	Cornerstone CE (Aided) Primary, Whiteley	12,300
	Fair Oak Infant & Junior, Fair Oak	2,000
	Fryern Junior, Chandlers Ford	7,642
	Grange Junior, Gosport	7,924
	Kings Copse Primary, Hedge End	400
	Park View Primary, Basingstoke	245
	South Farnborough Junior, Farnborough	200
	Stanmore Primary, Winchester	500
Secondary School Projects	Secondary School Improvements	194
	Calthorpe Park, Fleet	9,180
	Swanmore College, Swanmore	165
	Winton Academy, Andover	760
	Wyvern College, Fair Oak	2,200
Special Schools & Resourced Provision	Special School Improvements	1,787
-	Osborne School, Winchester	1,583
	Shepherds Down School, Winchester	1,700
	SEND Grant Improvements	818
Other Improvement Projects	Other Improvement Projects	2,000
	School Suitability Programme	3,000
Block Votes	Access Improvements in Schools	928
	Furniture & Equipment	250
	Health & Safety	400
	Healthy Pupils Capital Fund	706
	Minor Works	588
	Modular Classroom Replacement	2,000
	Projects Funded by Developer Contributions	175
	Schools' Devolved Formula Capital (DFC)	3,317
	Minstead Study Centre	104
	Contingency	5,979
Children's Social Care	Foster Carers	322
	Adaptation Equipment	470
	Total	70,034

Children's Services Capital Resources 2020/21

	£'000	£'000	

Appendix 1

Cash Limit reported 10 January 2020		42,433
Project deferrals from 2019/20	31,845	
Resources carried forward to 2021/22	-5,000	
Devolved Formula Capital – Increase in DfE Grant	9	
Redhill Road, Rowlands Castle developer contribution	77	
North Stoneham Park, Eastleigh developer contribution	52	
Woodcroft, Waterlooville developer contribution	46	
Capital receipts – Stanmore Primary, Padnell Infant and Vernham Dean	572	
Gillum's CE Primary		
Total Resources		70,034

Social Care	Project	Funding Source	Year	£'000
Eastleigh Area	Ground floor extension	Social Care	2020/21	12
Test Valley Area	First floor adaptations	Social Care	2020/21	22
	Total			34

Capital Programme 2019/20

Schemes Not Started by 31 March 2020 – To Be Carried Forward to 2020/21

Scheme	Value £'000	Anticipated Start Date	Reasons for deferral and Rescheduling
Ashley Junior, New Milton	197	July 2020	Consultation over project details
Cornerstone CE Primary, Whiteley	12,300	May 2020	Consultation over project details
Kings Copse Primary, Hedge End	400	June 2020	Consultation over project details
Wyvern College, Fair Oak	2,200	July 2020	Consultation over project details
Secondary School Improvements	194	Various	Projects planned during 2020
Stubbington Study Centre	104	July 2020	Consultation over project details
Modular Classroom replacement	1,840	Various	Projects planned for summer 2020 to meet increasing demand
Minor Works	400	July 2020	Specifications being finalised for named projects
School Improvement Projects	1,651	Various	Specifications being finalised for named projects
Health & Safety	286	Various	Projects planned during 2020
Furniture and Equipment*	52	Various	Planned F&E for future named projects
Healthy Pupils Capital Fund*	706	Various	Specifications being finalised for named projects
Access Improvements in Schools*	428	July 2020	Projects being prioritised (See Appendix 4)
Foster Carers	222	Various	Projects being planned during 2020
Special School Improvements	3,626	Various	Specifications being finalised for named projects
School Suitability Programme	1,000	Various	Specifications being finalised for named projects
Adaptation Equipment*	220	Various	Projects planned during 2020
Contingency	6,019	Various	Inflation and abnormal costs
Total	31,845		

Note: *Schemes controlled on an expenditure basis.



Access Improvements in Schools – proposed works for 2020/21

Resources	£000's
Allocation 2020/21	500
Balance c/fwd 2019/20	0
Total	500

School	Project	Cost £'000
Amery Hill School, Alton	New hygiene room	76
Clatford CE Primary, Goodworth Clatford	Hygiene room improvements	10
Crestwood Community School, Eastleigh	Ultraviolet window protection	5
Marchwood Junior, Southampton	Hygiene room improvements	20
Portchester Community School	Physio room improvements	55
Redlands Primary, Fareham	Hygiene room improvements	10
St John's CE (VA) Primary, Basingstoke	Hygiene room improvements	10
Trosnant Infant & Junior, Havant	External improvements	15
Various small works	Replacement toilets, taps, handrails and small packages of works	15
Total		216

Note: Schemes controlled on an expenditure basis



Healthy Pupils Capital Fund Schemes

School	Project	Year	Cost £'000	
Alderwood School, Aldershot	Changing rooms and fitness suite	2019/20	95	
Barncroft Primary, Havant	Swimming pool upgrade	2020/21	29	
Baycroft School, Fareham	Fixed outdoor equipment	2019/20	22	
Bidbury Infant, Havant	Playground improvements	2019/20	53	
Bishop's Waltham Junior	Swimming pool upgrade	2020/21	29	
Bridge Education Centre, Gosport	Outdoor classroom improvements	2020/21	18	
Castle Hill Infant, Basingstoke	Playground improvements	2019/20	23	
Castle Hill Junior, Basingstoke	Playground improvements	2020/21	44	
Cranbourne School, Basingstoke	Outdoor classroom improvements	2019/20	132	
Elson Infant, Gosport	Playground improvements	2020/21	35	
Elson Junior, Gosport	Playground improvements	2020/21	37	
Forest Park School, Totton	Swimming pool upgrade	2020/21	37	
Glenwood School, Emsworth	Fixed outdoor equipment	2020/21	10	
Hale Primary, Fordingbridge	Playground improvements	2019/20	49	
Hamble School	Changing room improvements	2019/20	35	
Harrison Primary, Fareham	Improvements to MUGA	2019/20	34	
Holbrook Primary, Gosport	Sensory room equipment	2020/21	15	
Kings' School, Winchester	Swimming pool upgrade	2020/21	29	
King's Somborne CE Primary	Playground improvements	2019/20	29	
Lakeside School, Chandlers Ford	Kitchen refurbishment	2019/20	15	
Leesland CE Junior, Gosport	Swimming pool upgrade	2019/20	7	
Limington House, Basingstoke	Playground improvements	2019/20	43	
Locks Heath Junior	Swimming pool upgrade	2020/21	29	
Nightingale Primary, Eastleigh	Outdoor classroom improvements	2020/21	25	
Portchester School	Accessible garden improvements	2020/21	15	
Prospect School, Havant	Fixed external equipment	2020/21	35	
Red Barn primary, Portchester	Daily mile running track	2020/21	35	
Riders Junior, Havant	Playground improvements	2020/21	64	
Riverside School, Waterlooville	Sensory room equipment	2019/20	18	
Sarisbury CE Junior	Playground improvements	2019/20	70	
St Mary Bourne Primary, Andover	Playground improvements	2020/21	35	
St Patrick's RC (VA) Primary, Farnborough	Improvements to MUGA	2019/20	46	
Toynbee School, Chandlers Ford	Improvements to STP	2019/20	12	

Appendix 4

School	Project	Year	Cost £'000
Various schools	Healthy eating schemes	2019/20	68
Various schools	Transport schemes	2019/20	101
Waterloo School, Waterlooville	Playground improvements	2019/20	15
Wolverdene School, Andover	Fixed outdoor equipment	2020/21	33
Woodcot Primary, Waterlooville	Playground improvements	2020/21	29
Projects details to be finalised		2020/21	87
Total			1,537

New Modular Classrooms 2020/21

School	NCA October 2019	Actual NOR October 2019	Forecast NOR January 2023	Cost £'000	Requirement
Alderwood School, Aldershot	690	680	675	100	Removal of owned double unit from Alderwood School (Infant site) and reinstatement of grounds.
Brookfield Community School, Sarisbury	1,800	1,773	1,795	250	Installation of owned double unit from Western CE Primary to manage bulge class from September 2020.
Colden Common Primary, Winchester	420	397	447	100	Removal of owned single from Colden Common primary and reinstatement of grounds.
Glenwood School, Emsworth	97	97	107	250	Installation of owned single from Colden Common Primary to allow additional complex pupils from Spring 2021.
Harrow Way Community School, Andover	900	937	977	250	Installation of owned double unit from Colden Common Primary to manage bulge class from September 2020.
Rachel Madocks School, Waterlooville	88	88	92	250	Purchase of new bespoke single unit to manage additional complex pupils from September 2020.
Red Barn Primary, Portchester	240	240	205	100	Removal of owned single unit from red Barn Primary and reinstatement of grounds.
Riverside School, Waterlooville	117	117	133	250	Installation of owned double from Alderwood School (Infant site) to allow additional reception pupils from September 2020.
Talavera Infant, Aldershot	270	271	261	100	Removal of owned double unit from Talavera Infant and reinstatement of grounds.
Talavera Junior, Aldershot	360	367	374	200	Installation of owned double unit from Talavera Infant to manage bulge class from September 2020.
Western CE Primary, Winchester	420	434	404	150	Removal of owned double unit from Western CE Primary and reinstatement of grounds.
Total				2,000	



Actions by Director of Childrens Services

School	School Project		Year	Cost £'000
Broad Oaks PRU, Basingstoke	Classroom conversion	SEND Grant	2020/21	240
Castle Hill Primary, Basingstoke	Heating and ventilation improvements	Basic Need	2020/21	129
Clifford Centre PBS, Totton	Internal remodelling and landscaping works	Basic Need	2020/21	60
Crestwood School, Eastleigh	Sports Hall improvements	Developer contribution	2020/21	52
Endeavour Primary, Andover	Internal re-modelling	Basic Need	2019/20	9
Fair Oak Infant, Eastleigh	Classroom conversion	Basic Need	2020/21	10
Forest Park School, Totton	New therapy space	School Suitability Fund	2020/21	23
Forest Park School, Totton	Conversion of IT Suite in to classrooms	SEN	2020/21	20
Glenwood School, Emsworth	Sports hall improvements	School Suitability Fund	2020/21	69
Henry Tyndale School, Farnborough	Car park extension	SEN	2020/21	20
Holbrook Primary, Gosport	SLCN/ASD Resourced Provision	SEND Grant	2020/21	240
Lakeside School, Eastleigh	Residential block improvements	School Suitability Fund	2020/21	82
Leesland CE Junior, Gosport	Car Park/Security Improvements	Basic Need	2020/21	30
Maple Ridge School, Basingstoke	New toilets and hygiene space	School Suitability Fund	2020/21	120
Minstead Study Centre	Kitchen/Washroom refurbishment	Cash Limit transfer	2020/21	92
Oak Lodge School, Dibden Purlieu	IT Equipment & internal remodelling	SEN	2020/21	20
Padnell Infant, Waterlooville	New external play area	Capital Receipt	2020/21	63
Prospect School, Havant	Replacement doors	School Suitability Fund	2020/21	52
Rachel Madocks School, Waterlooville	Internal remodelling	School Suitability Fund	2020/21	35
Rowlands Castle St Johns CE Primary, Rowlands Castle	Internal refurbishment	Developer Contribution	2020/21	77
Swanmore College	Roof and window improvements	Capital Receipt	2020/21	165
Swanwick Lodge	Internal alterations	Capital Receipt	2020/21	25
The Key Education Centre, Gosport	Internal re-modelling	Health & Safety	2020/21	60
Various sites	P16 Employability hubs	SEND Grant	2020/21	200

Appendix 6

School	Project	Funding Source	Year	Cost £'000
Westgate School, Winchester	Staircase improvements	Health & Safety	2020/21	26
Wherwell Primary, Andover	Site improvements	Health & Safety	2020/21	7
Wolverdene School, Andover	Modular building refurbishment	SEND Grant	2019/20	71
Wolverdene School, Andover	Residential block kitchen	School Suitability Fund	2020/21	69
Woodcroft Primary, Waterlooville	Security improvements	Developer Contribution	2020/21	46
Total				2,112

Key

ASD = Autistic Spectrum Disorder

SLCN = Social, Language & Communication Needs

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services and Young People	
Date:	16 September 2020	
Title:	School Meal Price from November 2020	
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services	

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Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide the information required by the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services and Young People to approve the price of school meals provided by the County Council's in-house catering service, HC3S, to Hampshire primary schools from November 2020.

Recommendations

- 2. That the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services and Young People approves that:
 - the guide price of a primary school meal provided by HC3S will be increased to £2.50 from November 2020.
 - the charge to schools for those meals which are provided by HC3S under the Government's Universal Infant Free School Meals funding will be increased to £2.40 per meal from November 2020.

Executive Summary

3. This report outlines the reasons for the recommended increase in the guide price of HC3S school meals of 10 pence from November 2020 and explains the different charging arrangements that are recommended for paid meals, income based free school meals and meals funded through the Government's Universal Infant Free School Meals funding.

Contextual Information

- 4. The recommendation is predominantly for primary schools as the same two course menu is provided for these pupils, regardless of whether the child is entitled to a free meal or not. Most secondary schools operate a food court style service allowing students to choose both food and price point as items are priced individually.
- 5. Each year the price of the income based free school meal (FSM) is reviewed. In Hampshire, this price has traditionally also been applied to paid meals in primary schools and meals funded by the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) grant. There is, however, no statutory requirement to agree a consistent price should alternative arrangements be more appropriate.
- The FSM meal price will be applied to secondary schools to ensure eligible students can receive a two course meal for the agreed price should they choose to do so.
- 7. The HC3S meal price was previously increased in September 2019 and this year's review has been deferred until November 2020 due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on schools and Hampshire residents.
- 8. The County Council does not subsidise the cost of school meals in Hampshire. The price of school meals is based on the estimated cost of providing a school meal for the next 12 months, as calculated by HC3S. This meal price also acts as an advisory guide price for all Hampshire primary schools. HC3S will charge no more than this price in primary schools.
- 9. HC3S provides healthy and nutritional school meals. Good nutrition plays a vital role in enabling pupils to perform well in school. The service also encourages healthy eating habits, which are essential to combat child obesity. Analysis from the Local Government Association indicates that one in five children are already overweight or obese on entering Reception year and one in three children are overweight or obese by the time they leave primary school. All primary school meals served by HC3S include vegetables or salad, the majority of which are currently sourced from local south coast growers. By sourcing local ingredients wherever possible, the service supports the local economic development agenda and the County Council's carbon reduction strategy through minimising food miles.
- 10. This focus on quality and sustainability ensures that the meals provided by HC3S meet the standards introduced by the Department for Education in January 2015 which are mandatory for local authority maintained schools. This includes:
 - School menus are nut free.

- Tailored menus are provided for 2,600 children with medically proven food allergies.
- Gluten free products are available across a range of items.
- All fish is Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) approved.
- All meat is UK sourced and holds Red Tractor Assurance accreditation as a minimum.
- All eggs are free range.

Finance

- 11. The price of a primary school meal is based on the forecast cost of providing a hot two course meal (main and dessert) from November 2020. School meals are outside the scope of VAT, provided that, overall, they are being supplied 'at or below cost'. Ensuring the price of school meals remains outside the scope of VAT helps to keep the price as low as possible for Hampshire residents. The definition of 'at cost' includes relevant and reasonable overhead costs.
- 12. The forecast full cost analysis for the provision of a primary school meal by HC3S from November 2020 is as follows:

Total Cost per meal	2.50
Overheads	0.34
Other direct costs	0.08
Food	0.75
Staffing	1.33
Cost Element	£

13. The proposed 10 pence increase in the meal price from £2.40 to £2.50 represents a 4.2% price increase. This assumes an estimated increase in staffing costs of 6%, based on a pay award of 2.75%, a 1.3% increase in employer's pension contributions and 1.95% for annual increments (taking account of historic levels of staff turnover). Further food inflationary pressures are also being forecast due to the Covid-19 impact and the potential impact of leaving the EU on 31 December 2020. HC3S is actively sourcing alternatives to single-use plastic across its operations, which are often at higher cost and there may be additional cost pressure in future arising from the Government's plan to introduce a Plastic Packaging Tax from April 2022.

- 14. HC3S continues to deliver efficiencies, where possible, to offset some of these inflationary pressures. However, with 83% of the cost of producing a school meal being made up of catering staff and food, there are limited opportunities to reduce these costs further without jeopardising food quality and standards. Small changes in costs can have a significant impact on the total cost of the HC3S service. For example, an increase of one penny on the cost of food per meal would cost HC3S an additional £110,172 a year, based on pre-Covid-19 meal numbers.
- 15. It is proposed that the price charged directly to schools by HC3S for the meals which are funded by UIFSM will increase from £2.30 to £2.40 from November 2020. The Government funding to schools is at £2.34 per meal from September 2020 which is an increase for the 2020/21 academic year of 4 pence per meal. However, this is the first increase in the UIFSM funding since its introduction in September 2014.
- 16. All primary school meals provided by HC3S are from the same set menu and they all meet the school food legislation requirement, regardless of whether they are paid meals, FSM or UIFSM. It is therefore considered appropriate to keep the price differential to a maximum of 10 pence per meal.
- 17. The additional cost to the 430 schools for which HC3S provides catering of the difference between the recommended charge of £2.40 and the UIFSM funding of £2.34 per meal is £345,532 for the 2020/21 academic year as shown in the table below.

HC3S planned UIFSM meals for academic year 2020/21	Government funding at £2.34 per meal	Cost at £2.40 per meal	Cost to be covered by schools
5,758,866	£13,475,746	£13,821,279	£345,532

- 18. For a school with 100 pupils eligible for UIFSM, this difference between the government funding and the meal price would cost the school a maximum of £1,134 a year (based on 100% uptake and 189 school days). Average UIFSM uptake in Hampshire is 68%, therefore the average additional cost would be £771 a year for a school of this size.
- 19. Based on the current business plan budgets, the potential impact for HC3S if the meal price increases were not approved would be a loss of at least £909,000 for the 2020/21 academic year. This would push HC3S into a significant financial deficit for both of its financial years in 2020/21 and 2021/22.

Performance

20. The number of school meals served in the last few years are shown in the table below.

Annual number of school meals provided by HC3S 2015/16 to 2019/20					
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20*
Hampshire	11.3	11.6	11.3	11.1	10.5
Primary Schools	million	million	million	million	million
External Primary	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.9
Schools	million	million	million	million	million
Secondary	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.4
Schools	million	million	million	million	million
Total	13.7	14.1	13.7	13.5	12.8
	million	million	million	million	million

^{*}Covid-19 impacted on numbers during March 2020

21. Forecast meal prices for the 2020 autumn term in a sample of other similar local authorities (subject to approval) are:

Hertfordshire £2.60 for paid meals; £2.40 for FSM; £2.30 for UIFSM

Surrey £2.40 for paid and FSM; £2.30 for UIFSM

Lancashire £2.30 for all meals
Oxfordshire £2.30 for all meals

• Derbyshire £2.20¹ for paid meals; £2.30 for FSM and UIFSM.

Other Key Issues

22. HC3S continues to be recognised for its excellence in the provision of catering services through the national awards and accreditations that it has

¹ Historically Derbyshire's school meals service had very low corporate overheads to cover and could keep meal prices low. The County Council is now charging more annually, and the school meals service is having to increase prices to offset their costs.

received over many years and as previously reported. The current and most recent awards and accreditations are:

- Compassion in World Farming: Good Egg, Good Chicken and Good Pig Awards.
- Foodservice Cateys Education Caterer of the Year and winner of the Innovation award (2019)
- Educatering Primary School Caterer of the Year (2019) and Award for Marketing (2018 and 2019).
- Eat Out Eat Well Award Gold for Hampshire primary schools (2019)
- LACA Marketing Award (2019)
- Allergy Aware accreditation from Allergy UK for catering at Elizabeth II Court, Winchester (2018).
- Allergen awareness accreditation from Food Service Allergen Management Limited for catering at all secondary schools and visitor attractions (2018).
- Re-accredited by the Hyperactive Children's Support Group with 'Excellence in School Meals' (2019).
- Gold Award: 'FreeFrom Eating Out' (schools, colleges and universities category) (2016).
- LACA Local Authority Caterer of the Year (2015).

Conclusions

- 23. The County Council continues to provide a good quality and healthy school meals service through its in-house catering service, HC3S. However, with costs continuing to rise in 2020 and the uncertainty about the impact on food costs of the UK leaving the EU, it is necessary to increase the primary school meal price from £2.40 to £2.50 from November 2020.
- 24. It is proposed that the charge to schools for UIFSM is increased from £2.30 to £2.40 from November 2020. This lower price for UIFSM takes account of the UIFSM funding to schools being £2.34 per meal and the cost of a school meal forecast to be £2.50 in the 2020/21 academic year. The financial impact of the difference between the level of funding and the meal cost is therefore being shared between schools and HC3S.

REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	yes
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	no
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	yes

Other Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:	
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
School Meal Price from September 2019	8 May 2019
School Meal Price from September 2018	8 Nov 2017
School Meal Price April 2016	20 Jan 2016
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives	
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

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Document	Location
None	

EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:

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- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

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- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic:
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- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionally low.

2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

The proposal will have a low or no impact on people with protected characteristics as there is a national income assessed free school meals scheme will support those families with the lowest incomes.

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services and Young People
Date:	16 September 2020
Title:	Statements of Purpose for Hampshire's Children's Homes, Fostering, and Adoption Services.
Report From:	Director of Children's Services

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Purpose of this Report

- 1 The purpose of this report is to present the updated Statement of Purpose of Hampshire's Children's Homes, Fostering, and Adoption Services (see Appendices B-M) for approval by the Executive Lead Member.
- 2 The significant changes are presented in this report whilst Appendix A highlights the specific parts of the Statements that have been revised since they were last presented for ease of reference.

Recommendation

3 That the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services and Young People approves the updated Statements of Purpose for Children's Homes, the Fostering Service, and the Adoption Service.

Executive Summary

4 The Children's Homes (England) Regulations and National Minimum Standards for Fostering Services and Adoption Services require that the registered provider (in the case of a Local Authority, the Elected Members) formally approves the Statement of Purpose of Services and reviews, updates and modifies it where necessary, at least annually.

Contextual Information

5 The Regulations and Guidance for the Children's Homes, Fostering Services, and Adoption Services state that the service provider (in this instance,

Hampshire Children's Services Department) shall compile, in relation to the service, a written statement, referred to as The Statement of Purpose, which shall consist of:

- a) A statement of the aims and objectives of the service; and
- b) A statement as to the services and facilities to be provided by the service.
- 6 The provider is responsible for providing a copy of the Statement of Purpose to Ofsted, the body which inspects the services, and the following key stakeholders:
 - i) Any person working for the purposes of the service;
 - ii) Any foster/adoptive parent or prospective foster/adoptive parent;
 - iii) Any child placed within any of the services; and
 - iv) The parent of any such child.
- 7 A children's version of the Statement of Purpose is also available.
- 8 The proposals in this report are expected to support the County Council's Strategic Plan as follows:

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Performance

9 Ofsted assesses the extent to which each Statement of Purpose is an accurate reflection of the service provided.

Consultation and Equalities

10 The proposal in this report does not require consultation and equality and diversity objectives are not considered to be adversely affected by the proposal. The Statements of Purpose ensure that all needs are met and address the protected characteristics where relevant.

Revisions to the Statement of Purpose

Children's Residential Care

11 The information within the Statement of Purpose is used to identify that the home is the right home for the child and that the home will be able to respond effectively to the child's needs. Hampshire has eight mixed gender children's

- homes offering between four and five places to children and young people aged between 10 and 17 years old.
- 12 Six of the homes listed below opened in 2017. They are purpose built and were designed in consultation with young people:
 - Amani, (Appendix B)
 - Abenrise, (Appendix C)
 - Berry View, (Appendix D)
 - Candle Lodge, (Appendix E)
 - Crofton House, (Appendix F)
 - Ferne Lodge, (Appendix G)
- 13 The remaining two established homes (below) have been maintained to a good standard.
 - Cypress Lodge, (Appendix H)
 - The Mead, (Appendix I)
- 14 Swanwick Lodge is a secure children's home, (Appendix J). It is a national resource for young people of either gender aged 10* 17 years who need to be placed in a secure setting to safeguard their welfare. The home recently underwent an extensive building upgrade which resulted in a reduction of beds from 16 to eight. Following the completion of those works in October 2019, the service is now able to increase occupancy incrementally and is recruiting staff accordingly.

*the appropriate Minister of State must approve the placement of children aged under 13 years.

- 15 As part of the continuum of overnight resources supporting children and young people with complex learning difficulties and their families, in conjunction with Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Hampshire County Council also provides one residential respite unit (Firvale Appendix K). Firvale provides five social care respite placements / beds and nine health beds.
- 16 Children's residential care is one of the five priorities underpinning Hampshire Children's Services' response to the pandemic (Covid-19). To consolidate staffing within the residential service and maximise the care of children and young people in light of the pandemic, the following Children's Homes/ Services were temporarily closed on the dates shown:
 - Firvale 6 April 2020
 - Candle Lodge 9 April 2020
 - Abenrise 15 April 2020

- 17 Children and young people who were living at Candle Lodge and Abenrise were placed in other Hampshire Children's Homes. This was managed in conjunction with the child's social work team and in accordance with each child's needs. Children and families who were receiving respite care at Firvale and who had not already withdrawn in response to social distancing guidance were supported to identify alternative support by the relevant Disabled Children's Team.
- 18 To enable the temporary closure of Candle Lodge and Abenrise, the number of placements available at Amani, Crofton House and Ferne Lodge Children's Homes was increased from four to five. This was achieved by temporarily converting a staff 'sleeping-in' room into a child's bedroom.
- 19 Given that these two Children's Homes and Firvale respite unit will re-open as soon as it is appropriate to do so, the Statements of Purpose for those services have been submitted for approval.
- 20 In addition to a temporary increase in placements at Amani, Crofton House and Ferne Lodge, the Statements of Purpose for the Children's Homes and Firvale respite unit have been updated to reflect changes to the workforce. This includes workforce development (training and qualifications achieved) and recruitment. New appointments include replacement managers for Berry View, Crofton House, Abenrise and Firvale and a change of 'Responsible Individual' (the senior manager responsible for the supervision and development of the homes).
- 21 The last Decision Report regarding the Statement of Purpose for the children's homes dated 27 March 2019 referred to a proposal to offer immediate / emergency placements at The Mead. Providing a limited number of emergency placements alongside long term placements within the same home proved to be problematic. Hence the Mead retains its original purpose as detailed in Appendix I.
- 22 An alternative model is, however, to be developed using Cypress Lodge as a hub providing some residential beds in addition to a range of other support services to children in care and on the edge of care delivered by an integrated, multi-disciplinary team. This service will be responsive to immediate/ urgent needs and will play an important part in identifying the right care plan for children, including the right placement type if long term accommodation is required. The model is being designed and will be implemented this calendar year. Full details of this new service will be provided to Elected Members via an updated Statement of Purpose in due course.

Fostering Services

23 The Fostering Service uses the Statement of Purpose as a competitive positioning tool, which benchmarks local authority and independent services (see Appendix L).

- 24 Prospective carers can use the Statement of Purpose to compare services more easily by reviewing the aims of the service, understanding the process, support and training we offer and reading Ofsted report highlights. This should put Hampshire County Council in a more favourable position within the marketplace.
- 25 An organisational chart of the Fostering Service and descriptions of the teams within the service are presented in a way that is appropriate to the audience, to better understand how the service operates.
- 26 The role of the fostering team has been clarified. It explains the support they provide; the purpose of the Placement Commissioning team and how annual household reviews are conducted.
- 27 An update is also provided on the Hampshire Approach to reinforce the message that Hampshire is, and has always been, child focused.

Adoption Service

- 28 The Adoption Service Statement of Purpose sets out the core aims and objectives of Hampshire's Adoption Service (Appendix M). It explains the range of services that are provided to children, prospective adopters, adoptive parents, adopted adults and birth parents through the different strands of the adoption agency.
- 29 The principles and standards within the Statement of Purpose apply to all agency placements.
- 30 The Statement of Purpose reflects the emphasis that the Adoption Service places on the welfare of Hampshire's children who require adoptive placements and the importance of minimising delay for children and meeting statutory timescales. In addition, the support services that are being offered to children and adoptive families post-adoption, which continues to be a growing area in Hampshire's adoption agency, are described.
- 31 In addition to an updated organisational structure, there is a revision to this document to confirm the commencement of the new Regional Adoption Agency, Adopt South, in April 2019. Adopt South provides some adoption services on behalf of Hampshire County Council, including the recruitment and assessment of new adopters, Family Finding, adoption panels and post adoption support services.

Conclusion

32 The Statements of Purpose will drive the delivery of children's residential care and the Fostering and Adoption services during 2020-21. As required, they will be updated in one year to reflect the development of services and needs.

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Statement of Purpose Executive Lead Member Report	<u>Date</u> 27.3.19	
Statement of Purpose Executive Lead Member Report	09.05.18	
Statement of Purpose Executive Lead Member Report	19.6.17	
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives		
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>	
Care Standards Act	2000	
Children's Act	1989/2004	
Children's Home Regulations	2015	
The Fostering Services (England) Regulations	2011	
The Adoption and Children Act Register Regulations	2017	

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Guide to the Children's Homes
Regulations 2015

https://www.gov.uk/government/public ations/childrens-homes-regulations-including-quality-standards-guide

Fostering Services: National Minimum Standards

https://www.gov.uk/government/public ations/fostering-services-national-minimum-standards

https://www.gov.uk/government/public ations/adoption-national-minimum-standards

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2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

The decision to approve the updated Statement of Purpose for Hampshire's Children's Homes, Fostering Service and Adoption Service will have no impact on groups with protected characteristics.

Agenda Item 4

By virtue of paragraph(s) 1, 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.



