

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
Date:	17 January 2019
Title:	Short Breaks for Disabled Children – Grants for 2019-20
Report From:	Director of Children's Services

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1. The decision:

1.1. That the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services:

- 1.1.1. Approves the Short Breaks grant applications to voluntary and charities for 2019-20, totalling £802,867.24 to the organisations as listed in Appendix 2 of the report for six months from 1 April 2019;
- 1.1.2. Notes that there are a small number of grant awards that require clarification (identified in Appendix 2 of the report) which may result in a reduction in the value of the grant award. Any such reduction will be agreed in consultation with the Executive Lead Member and is further described in paragraph 7.4 of this report;
- 1.1.3. Approves the funding allocations to Hampshire County Council departments/schools totalling £28,015.10 set out in Appendix 3 of the report;
- 1.1.4. Approves the grants for Rose Road Buddy Scheme £140,000 and Hampshire Parent / Carer Network of up to £35,000 for a full financial year (12 months);
- 1.1.5. Approves £68,733.03 of funding to be set aside for any exceptions or extenuating circumstances that may fall outside of the main grant round, as agreed on 12 July 2018 by the Executive Lead Member in respect or changes to the Short Break Activities Programme;
- 1.1.6. Further approves the Short Breaks funding allocations of £22,507 to be funded from the Exceptions grant pot as listed in Appendix 4 of the report;
- 1.1.7. Delegates approval to the Director of Children's Services in consultation with the Executive Lead Member to agree and approve appropriate use of the remaining Exceptions grant pot for 2019/20.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. The purpose of the short breaks grants programme is to support the County Council's duty under the Breaks for Carers of Disabled Children Regulations.
- 2.2. Short Breaks grants are awarded to a range of organisations providing safe, fun and interesting activities for disabled children and young people aged 0-19 years, who live in Hampshire or attend a Hampshire school. These activities take place outside of school time (for school-aged children); during evenings, weekends, holidays and after-school.
- 2.3. A commissioning strategy is being developed for the period from October 2019, taking account of the outcomes of the public consultation completed in the spring of 2018. A subsequent report will be brought to the Executive Lead Member seeking approval for contracts and grants to support the Short Break Activities Programme from October 2019.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not applicable

4. Conflicts of interest:

- 4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None
- 4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by: ----- Councillor Keith Mans Executive Lead Member for Children's Services	Date: 17 January 2019
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