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Executive Decision Records

Please find set out below a number of Executive Decisions taken at the HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL Executive Lead Member for Children's Services Decision Day & Executive Member for Education Decision Day held at the Castle, Winchester on Wednesday 15th March 2023

1. **CHILDREN'S SERVICES PROCUREMENT - APPROVAL TO SPEND**
2. **ADDITIONAL SPECIALIST EDUCATION PROVISION FOR HAMPSHIRE**
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Item 1

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
Date:	15 March 2023
Title:	Children's Services Procurement – Approval to Spend
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 gives the approval to spend for the Supporting Families contracts under a framework to the value of £3,500,000.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1. The new framework will enable regulatory compliance in a flexible manner.

2.2. The new framework futureproofs any additional funding that becomes available.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. Other routes to market were considered and rejected as the proposed framework provides the greatest flexibility.

3.2. Not contracting for this service would result in spend being non-compliant and not in line with the Council's Standing Orders.

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: Not Applicable

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: Not Applicable

7. Statement from the decision maker: Not Applicable

Approved by:

Date:

Councillor Edward Heron
Executive Lead Member for Children's Services

15 March 2023

Item 2

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Education
Date:	15 March 2023
Title:	Additional Specialist Education Provision for Hampshire
Report From:	Director of Children Services

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1. The decision:

1.1. Approval is given for statutory public notices to be published in relation to:

- The proposed Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC) Resourced Provision (RP) at Guillemont Junior School, Farnborough.
- The proposed redesignation of RP at Morelands Primary School, Waterlooville.
- The relocating the resource provision for pupils with a hearing loss, at Wallisdean Junior School to St Jude's Catholic Primary School, Fareham.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1. There is a statutory duty to provide school places for all children, including those who have special educational needs and/or a disability. We are obliged to further developing successful provision to meet this demand within the Special Education Needs and Disability (SEND) sector.

2.2. The proposed additional SEND provision outlined will help manage some of the school place pressures generated by the increase in the number of Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) maintained by the Local Authority. In Dec 2022 in Hampshire there were 14,648 children with EHCPs. An increase of 4.5% of all Children and Young people.

2.3. The total revenue cost of £388,036 for the in-house places compares to an estimated £1.5m for the same number of places in independent and non-maintained special schools using the average cost of an SEN only funded day placement. This equates to approximately £1.1m of cost avoidance on the High Needs Block.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. Without the creation of additional local spaces, we will inevitably have more children in Independent Non-Maintained Specialist School provision with greater pressure on home to school transport costs and the Dedicated

Schools Grant High Needs block. From a revenue perspective, it is more cost effective to increase in-house provision, rather than place children in expensive independent provision at an average cost of £65,800 each pupil, per academic year.

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: Not Applicable

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: Not Applicable

7. Statement from the decision maker: Not Applicable

Approved by:

Date:

Councillor Steve Foster
Executive Member for Education

15 March 2023

Item 3

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Education
Date:	15 March 2023
Title:	Wyvern College, External Works
Report From:	Director of Universal Services

Contact name: John Cantwell, Senior Delivery Manager

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1. The Decision:

1.1 That the Executive Member for Education, grants spend approval to the project proposals for Wyvern College at the total cost of £794,000.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1 Wyvern College currently provides education for up to 1,350 secondary age children, 9 FE (forms of entry).

2.2 This report seeks spend approval for external works to improve safeguarding and security on site.

2.3 The project is included in the Children Services Capital Programme, approved at the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services Decision Day 10 January 2020 with a budget of £2,200,000 with a further update to the Capital Programme approved at the Executive Lead Member for Childrens Services Decision Day of the 12 January 2023 increasing the funding by a further £568,000, giving a total budget of £2,768,000.

2.4 A Planning application was approved in July 2022.

3. **Other options considered and rejected:** None

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:** Not Applicable

6. **Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent:** Not Applicable

7. **Statement from the Decision Maker:** Not Applicable

Approved by:

Date:

Councillor Steve Forster
Executive Member for Education

15 March 2023

Item 4

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Education
Date:	15 March 2023
Title:	Little Deer's Nursery, Burley
Report From:	Director of Universal Services

Contact name: John Cantwell, Senior Delivery Manager

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1. The Decision:

- 1.1 That the Executive Member for Education, grants spend approval to the project proposals for the replacement building at Little Deer's Nursery at the total cost of £700,000.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1 Little Deer's Nursery currently provides an early years setting for up to 24 children aged between 0 and 5 years old.
- 2.2 The project comprises a new 26 place nursery and pre-school to replace the existing building which is to be demolished.
- 2.3 The project is included in the Children Services Capital Programme, approved at the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services Decision Day on 12 January 2023 with a budget of £700,000.
- 2.4 A Planning application will be submitted to the New Forest National Park Planning Authority in the autumn of 2023.

3. Other options considered and rejected: None

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: Not Applicable

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: Not Applicable

7. Statement from the Decision Maker: Not Applicable

Approved by:

Date:

Councillor Steve Forster
Executive Member for Education

15 March 2023

Item 5

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Education
Date:	12 January 2023
Title:	Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education Annual Review 2021-22
Report From:	Director of Children Services

Contact name: Justine Ball, County Subject Inspector

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1. The decision:

1.1. That the Executive Member for Education notes the contents of the Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education's Annual Review 2021-22.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1. SACRE has a duty to provide a report on its activities each year. This report is provided to the National Association of SACREs, the Department for Education and Ofsted alongside the Children's Services Directorate's management team and the authorities Councillors.

2.2. The Annual Report detailing SACRE's work in 2021/2022 was agreed by SACRE at its meeting on 1 November 2022 and is attached as Appendix 1 of the report.

3. Other options considered and rejected: None

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: Not Applicable

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: Not Applicable

7. Statement from the decision maker: Not Applicable

Approved by:

Date:

Councillor Steve Foster
Executive Member for Education

15 March 2023