

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Children's Services
Date:	19 January 2024
Title:	2024/25 Revenue Budget Report for Children's Services
Report From:	Director of Children's Services

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Children's Services approves for submission to the Leader and the Cabinet:
- 1.2. The revised revenue budget for 2023/24 as set out in Appendix 1 of the Decision Report.
- 1.3. The summary revenue budget for 2024/25 as set out in Appendix 2 of the Decision Report.
- 1.4. Changes to the local schools funding as set out in the Decision Report.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. This report seeks approval for submission to the Leader and Cabinet of the revised budget for 2023/24 and detailed service budgets for 2024/25 for Children's Services. The report has been prepared in consultation with the Executive Member and will be reviewed by the Children and Young People Select Committee. It will be reported to the Leader and Cabinet on 6 February 2024 to make final recommendations to County Council on 22 February 2024.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. The total of the budget proposals in this report are in line with the guidelines set by Cabinet. A budget in excess of the guidelines is not considered affordable and a budget significantly below the guidelines would not enable service objectives to be met. The service objectives and budgets for 2024/25 and future years have been developed in keeping with the County Council priorities.

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: Not Applicable

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: None

Approved by:

Date:

Councillor Cllr Edward Heron
Executive Lead Member for Children's Services

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