HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
Date:	20 February 2024
Title:	Childcare Sufficiency Assessment 2022/23
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 note the content of the Childcare Sufficiency Assessment.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services on how the Local Authority complies with its statutory duty to secure sufficient childcare to meet parental need, in accordance with the Early Education and Childcare Statutory Guidance for Local Authorities (2023), and to inform of the new younger years and wraparound requirement for 2024.
- 2.2. A Childcare Sufficiency Assessment (CSA) is completed annually. This report summarises the key findings to maintain and improve childcare sufficiency across Hampshire.

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: 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 Edward Heron

Executive Lead Member for Children's Services

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