

# HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Education
<b>Date:</b>	20 February 2024
<b>Title:</b>	ASC Resourced Provision Crookhorn College, Waterlooville
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Children's Services

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### 1. The decision:

- 1.1 That approval be given to consult on the establishment of a resourced provision at Crookhorn College for young people with Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC) opening in phases from September 2025.
- 1.2 That a report is brought back to the Executive Member for Education following the public consultation period for final approval.

### 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.
- 2.2 The lack of sufficient specialist provision for pupils with autistic spectrum condition within Hampshire Schools has led to an increase in placements within the independent and non-maintained sector (INMSS). The proposal contained within this report aims to build good quality Hampshire specialist provision and meet the needs of children and young people within their local area. This will reduce the Local Authority's dependence upon independent and non-maintained provision (INMSS) and will aim to keep pupils as close to the home community as possible.
- 2.3 Less pressure on both the school transport costs and the Dedicated Schools Grant High Needs block (DSG HN).

### 3 Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1 Independent Non-Maintained Special School (INMSS) placements at a significantly higher cost together with increased school transport costs.

### 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:**

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**Councillor Steve Forster**  
**Executive Member for Education**

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