

# HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Lead Member for Childrens Services
<b>Date:</b>	7 March 2025
<b>Title:</b>	Lowering Age Range for Lanterns Nursery School
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Children's Services

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### 1. The decision:

- 1.1. That approval be given to make a prescribed alteration to Lanterns Nursery School, Winchester to provide nursery provision for up to 9 places for children from six weeks old, with effect from 1 April 2025, with a requirement to consult with the Council prior to any further expansion of places.

### 2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. The proposal supports the continuing need for early years places for 0-2 year olds in the St Barnabas areas of the Winchester district and supports families from this ward.
- 2.2. Lanterns Nursery School proposal is for the Governing Body of the school to lower the age range to provide early years childcare for children aged from six weeks old.
- 2.3. The nursery school is maintained by the Local Authority and the statutory process as outlined in The Making Significant Changes ('prescribed alterations') Maintained Schools has been followed including the necessary period of Public Notice from 29 November 2024 to the 10 January 2025.
- 2.4. There have been no objections raised.

### 3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. No other options considered

### 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: N/A**

**6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: N/A**

**7. Statement from the decision maker: N/A**

**Approved by:**

**Date:**

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**7 March 2025**

**Councillor Roz Chadd  
Executive Lead Member for Children's Services**