

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
Date:	17 September 2021
Title:	Approval to Spend - New Procurements
Report From:	Director of Children's Services

Contact name: Laura Timms, Head of Commissioning and Service Development

Tel: Via Teams

Email: laura.timms@hants.gov.uk

1. The decision:

1.1. That the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services gives approval to spend for a Care Support for Children with a Disability contract for a total period of six years (four years with two one-year extension options). The total value of the contract is £6,450,000, of which approval is sought for £6,000,000 of Hampshire County Council spend.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1 To ensure that the required levels of approval are in place for spend on the above contract once it has been awarded. This ensures compliance with spend thresholds and delegated authority processes.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. Not re-tendering Care Support which would result in a lack of service provision for children and young people with the potential failure to meet statutory duties.

3.2. To not seek appropriate spend approval would be to operate outside of procurement and council standards and regulations.

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: None

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable

7. Statement from the decision maker:

Approved by:

Date:

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

17 September 2021