

Forward Plan of Key Decisions

The County Council must give at least 28 days' notice of all key decisions to be taken by councillors or officers. The Plan describes these proposals and the month in which the decisions are to be taken over a four-month period. Decisions are categorised according to [Cabinet Member](#) portfolios.

The most important decisions will be taken by the Cabinet. Due to the continuing public health measures, there will be limited public access to the meeting. Admission is by ticket only, bookable in advance via: democratic.services@westsussex.gov.uk. The meetings will be available to watch online via our [webcasting website](#). The [schedule of monthly Cabinet meetings](#) is available on the website. The Forward Plan is updated regularly and key decisions can be taken on any day in the month if they are not taken at Cabinet meetings. The [Plan](#) is available on the website. [Published decisions](#) are also available via the website.

A key decision is one which:

- Involves expenditure or savings of £500,000 or more (except treasury management); and/or
- Will have a significant effect on communities in two or more electoral divisions in terms of how services are provided.

The following information is provided for each entry in the Forward Plan:

Decision	A summary of the proposal.
Decision By	Who will take the decision - if the Cabinet, it will be taken at a Cabinet meeting in public.
Date added	The date the proposed decision was added to the Forward Plan.
Month	The decision will be taken on any working day in the month stated. If a Cabinet decision, it will be taken at the Cabinet meeting scheduled in that month.
Consultation/Representations	How views and representations about the proposal will be considered or the proposal scrutinised, including dates of Scrutiny Committee meetings.
Background Documents	The documents containing more information about the proposal and how to obtain them (via links on the website version of the Forward Plan). Hard copies are available on request from the decision contact.
Author	The contact details of the decision report author
Contact	Who in Democratic Services you can contact about the entry

Finance, assets, performance and risk management

Each month the Cabinet Member for Finance and Property reviews the Council's budget position and may take adjustment decisions. A similar monthly review of Council property and assets is carried out and may lead to decisions about them. These are noted in the Forward Plan as 'rolling decisions'.

Each month the Cabinet will consider the Council's performance against its planned outcomes and in connection with a register of corporate risk. Areas of particular significance may be considered at the scheduled Cabinet meetings.

Significant proposals for the management of the Council's budget and spending plans will be dealt with at a scheduled Cabinet meeting and shown in the Plan as strategic budget options.

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Forward Plan Summary

Summary of all forthcoming executive decisions in Cabinet Member portfolio order

Decision Maker	Subject Matter	Date
Executive Director Children, Young People and Learning	Continuing arrangements for the provision of urgent and specialist support for children and young people	September 2021
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Cabinet Member for Children and Young People	Remodelling of High Trees and Teasel Close children's homes, Crawley	September 2021
Director of Property and Assets	Award of Contract for the Woodlands Meed College New Build Project	September 2021
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Director of Property and Assets	Extension to the Pre-Construction Services Agreement for Woodlands Meed College New Build Project	September 2021
Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills	Slinfold CE Primary School - Funding for Replacement of Modular Teaching Accommodation	September 2021
Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills	Phase 2 Special Support Centre Programme - West Park Primary School, Worthing - Allocation of Funding	September 2021
Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills	Phase 2 Special Support Centre Programme - St Margaret's CE Primary School, Angmering - Allocation of Funding	September 2021
Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills	Procurement of a School Information and Financial Management System	September 2021
Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills	Phase 2 Special Support Centre Programme - Edward Bryant Primary School, Bognor Regis - Allocation of Funding for Project Delivery	October 2021
Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills	Phase 2 Special Support Centre Programme - Felpham Community College, Bognor Regis - Allocation of Funding for Project Delivery	October 2021
Director of Property and Assets	Award of contract for the expansion of Palatine Primary School	October 2021
Director of Property and Assets	Award of contract to provide permanent accommodation for the expansion of River Beach Primary School, Littlehampton	October 2021
Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills	Burgess Hill Northern Arc - New Secondary School - Allocation of Capital Funding for Project Delivery	November 2021
Director of Education and Skills	Contract Extension for the Provision of Adult Community Education	November 2021

Children and Young People

Executive Director Children, Young People and Learning

Continuing arrangements for the provision of urgent and specialist support for children and young people	
<p>The County Council has experienced a high volume of requests for specialist care and support for children and young people at short notice and often in emergency situations. Services are currently procured from individual specialist staffing agencies as required. No existing framework or dynamic purchasing system (DPS) is able to meet the needs of these vulnerable children due to the specialist services required and the notice periods given.</p> <p>The Executive Director of Children, Young People and Learning will be asked to approve the necessary arrangements to enable the continuation of the provision of urgent and specialist support for children and young people.</p>	
Decision by	Lucy Butler - Executive Director Children, Young People and Learning
Date added	22 July 2021
Month	September 2021
Consultation/Representations	Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Executive Director for Children, Young People and Learning via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	None
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Cabinet Member for Children and Young People

Procurement of a framework for urgent and specialist support for children and young people	
<p>The Council has experienced a high volume of requests for specialist care and support for children and young people at short notice and often in emergency situations. Services are currently procured from individual specialist staffing agencies as required. No existing framework or dynamic purchasing system (DPS) is able to meet the needs of these vulnerable children due to the specialist services required and the notice periods given.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Children and Young People will be asked to approve the procurement of a framework for the provision of urgent and specialist support for children and young people and to approve the delegation of authority to the Executive Director of Children, Young People and Learning to award to the framework.</p>	
Decision by	Cllr Russell - Cabinet Member for Children and Young People

Date added	22 July 2021
Month	September 2021
Consultation/ Representations	Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	None
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Cabinet Member for Children and Young People

Remodelling of High Trees and Teasel Close children's homes, Crawley	
<p>Teasel Close children's home in Crawley caters for residential placements for children, with capacity for up to 5 children at one time. High Trees children's home in Crawley caters for residential placements and short breaks for children with disabilities, with capacity for up to 4 children at one time. Both homes are graded as 'outstanding' by Ofsted.</p> <p>These homes are identified for improvement works as part of phase 2 of the children's in-house residential strategy. Remodelling and refurbishment works are required to resolve critical issues with the sites, modernise the homes and improve the facilities for those children resident at the homes.</p> <p>As these homes are occupied, work is also required to a further County Council owned property to provide temporary accommodation for the children at Teasel Close and High Trees to reside in for the duration of the refurbishment of both homes.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Children and Young People will be requested to approve the procurement of a single contractor to prepare the temporary accommodation followed by delivery of the works to remodel and refurbish both children's homes. The Cabinet Member will also be asked to delegate authority to the Executive Director Children, Young People and Learning to award the contract.</p>	
Decision by	Cllr Russell - Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
Date added	19 August 2021
Month	September 2021
Consultation/ Representations	<p>Procurement Legal Finance Property and Assets</p> <p>Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.</p>

Background Documents (via website)	Children's In House Residential Strategy (CYP03(19/20))
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Learning and Skills

Director of Property and Assets

Award of Contract for the Woodlands Meed College New Build Project	
<p>Woodlands Meed is a Special School and College for 2-19-year old pupils located in Burgess Hill.</p> <p>Due to suitability and condition issues of the existing accommodation at the College site, in May 2020 Cabinet agreed that funding was allocated to replace the College building on its existing site (Decision reference CAB03 (20/21) refers). As part of the decision authority was delegated to the Director of Property and Assets that, subject to receipt of planning permission and statutory consents, a construction contract was entered into for rebuilding the College.</p> <p>The County Council together with the Councils Multi-Disciplinary Consultant have developed a formal proposal to rebuild Woodlands Meed College on its current site. A buildable design option that meets the gross budget of £20m has been agreed with the school and the County Council.</p> <p>A procurement has been undertaken and the Director of Property and Assets will be asked to approve the award of the construction contract to the preferred provider for the construction phase, of the project to replace Woodlands Meed College.</p>	
Decision by	Andrew Edwards - Director of Property and Assets
Date added	21 April 2021
Month	September 2021
Consultation/ Representations	<p>Procurement Legal Finance Property and Assets</p> <p>Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Director of Property and Assets, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.</p>
Background Documents (via website)	Cabinet Decision CAB03(20/21)
Author	Carol Bruce Tel: 033 022 23055
Contact	

Director of Property and Assets

Award of contract for construction of an All Weather Pitch at The Forest School, Horsham

In July 2020 the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills approved the siting of additional accommodation for QEII School on some of the existing playing field at The Forest School (Decision reference [ES02\(20/21\)](#)). In order to mitigate the impact of the loss of the playing field an All Weather Pitch will be constructed at The Forest School.

The All-Weather pitch will enable pupils to undertake outside sport activities all year round whilst also providing the school the ability to generate additional income through letting.

As part of a separate key decision process the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills will be asked to approve the allocation of capital funding from Section 106 contributions to undertake a project to provide an All Weather Pitch at The Forest School. The Cabinet Member will also be asked to delegate authority to the Director of property and Assets to award the contract for the project.

Subject to this delegation of authority from the Cabinet Member, the Director of Property and Assets will then be asked to approve the award of contract for the proposed project at The Forest School.

Decision by	Andrew Edwards - Director of Property and Assets
Date added	11 January 2021
Month	September 2021
Consultation/ Representations	Procurement Legal Finance Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Director of Property and Assets, via the contact officer, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	None
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Director of Property and Assets

Extension to the Pre-Construction Services Agreement for Woodlands Meed College New Build Project

Woodlands Meed is a Special School and College for 2-19-year old pupils located in Burgess Hill.

Due to suitability and condition issues of the existing accommodation at the College site, in May 2020 Cabinet agreed that funding was allocated to replace the College building on

its existing site (Decision reference [CAB03 \(20/21\)](#) refers). As part of the decision authority was delegated to the Director of Property and Assets that, subject to receipt of planning permission and statutory consents, a construction contract was entered into for rebuilding the College.

A Pre-Construction Services Agreement was executed in February 2021 to appoint the contractor at Stage 4 of the project to ensure buildability and reduce risk; due to design changes this agreement requires extending. The Director of Property and Assets will be asked to approve the extension to the pre-construction services agreement.

Decision by	Andrew Edwards - Director of Property and Assets
Date added	29 April 2021
Month	September 2021
Consultation/ Representations	College Governing Body Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Director of Property and Assets via the author or officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	Cabinet Report CAB03(20/21)
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Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills

Slinfold CE Primary School - Funding for Replacement of Modular Teaching Accommodation	
<p>The County Council has a statutory duty to provide sufficient primary and secondary school places for all children who need a place. Slinfold CE Primary School is a 5 class Primary School with a broad range of buildings including a double modular unit which was installed on the site in excess of 30 years ago. The modular unit has significant suitability issues and requires replacement with new teaching accommodation that meets current required standards for construction.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills will be asked to approve the allocation of capital funding from Section 106 contributions and a procurement exercise to undertake a project to replace the modular classrooms with new purpose built classrooms.</p>	
Decision by	Cllr N Jupp - Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills
Date added	8 July 2020
Month	September 2021
Consultation/ Representations	School Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills via the officer

	contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	None
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Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills

Phase 2 Special Support Centre Programme - West Park Primary School, Worthing - Allocation of Funding	
<p>There is a need to increase provision for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) through the creation of additional places in Specialist Support Centres that are attached to mainstream schools and academies. This will assist with the aim of enabling children to attend school locally.</p> <p>In December 2019 Cabinet approved the proposal to develop Phase two of the project for opening additional Special Support Centres in accordance with capital governance processes (decision reference CAB03(19/20)). In October 2020 the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills approved the allocation of design fees to progress 6 of the Special Support Centres including West Park Primary School (Decision reference ES09 (20/21))</p> <p>Since that approval further design work has been undertaken and costed in relation to the Special Support Centre at West Park Primary School in Worthing.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills will be asked to approve the allocation of capital funding from the Capital Programme to enable the project to create a Special Support Centre at West Park Primary School proceed.</p>	
Decision by	Cllr N Jupp - Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills
Date added	1 December 2020
Month	September 2021
Consultation/ Representations	Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills via the author or officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken
Background Documents (via website)	Cabinet Member Decision ES09(20/21)
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Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills

Phase 2 Special Support Centre Programme - St Margaret's CE Primary School, Angmering - Allocation of Funding

There is a need to increase provision for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) through the creation of additional places in Specialist Support Centres that are attached to mainstream schools and academies. This will assist with the aim of enabling children to attend school locally.

In December 2019 Cabinet approved the proposal to develop Phase two of the project for opening additional Special Support Centres in accordance with capital governance processes (decision reference [CAB03\(19/20\)](#)). In October 2020 the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills approved the allocation of design fees to progress 6 of the Special Support Centres including St Margaret's CE Primary School ([Decision reference ES09 \(20/21\)](#))

Since that approval further design work has been undertaken and costed in relation to the Special Support Centre at St Margaret's CE Primary School.

The Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills will be asked to approve the allocation of capital funding from the Capital Programme to enable the project to create a Special Support Centre at St Margaret's CE Primary School to proceed.

Decision by	Cllr N Jupp - Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills
Date added	1 December 2020
Month	September 2021
Consultation/ Representations	Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills via the author or officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken
Background Documents (via website)	Cabinet Member Decision ES09(20/21)
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Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills

Procurement of a School Information and Financial Management System

West Sussex schools currently use a School Information and Financial Management IT System to both record and aggregate necessary information about pupils and staff as well as enabling the management of finances and budgeting.

The County Council is reviewing the current system provision and the intention is to procure a replacement system with the additional functionality of real time access for the Local Authority, in order to facilitate the undertaking of its statutory duties.

The Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills will be asked to approve the commencement of a procurement process for the provision of a replacement information and financial management system for all West Sussex maintained schools, with the contract due to

commence in April 2022. The Cabinet Member will also be asked to delegate authority to the Director of Education and Skills to award the contract(s) and implement the solution following the procurement process.

Decision by	Cllr N Jupp - Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills
Date added	30 July 2021
Month	September 2021
Consultation/ Representations	Schools Schools Forum – 17 June 2021 IT Providers Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken
Background Documents (via website)	None
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Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills

Phase 2 Special Support Centre Programme - Edward Bryant Primary School, Bognor Regis - Allocation of Funding for Project Delivery

There is a need to increase provision for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) through the creation of additional places in Specialist Support Centres that are attached to mainstream schools and academies. This will assist with the aim of enabling children to attend school locally.

In December 2019 Cabinet approved the proposal to develop Phase two of the project for opening additional Special Support Centres in accordance with capital governance processes (decision reference [CAB03\(19/20\)](#)). In October 2020 the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills approved the allocation of design fees to progress 6 of the Special Support Centres including Edward Bryant Primary School ([Decision reference ES09 \(20/21\)](#))

Since that approval further design work has been undertaken and costed in relation to the Special Support Centre at Edward Bryant Primary School in Bognor Regis.

The Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills will be asked to approve the allocation of capital funding from the Capital Programme to enable the project to create a Special Support Centre at Edward Bryant Primary School to proceed.

Decision by	Cllr N Jupp - Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills
Date added	1 February 2021
Month	October 2021
Consultation/ Representations	Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills via the author or

	officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken
Background Documents (via website)	Cabinet Member Decision ES09(20/21)
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Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills

Phase 2 Special Support Centre Programme - Felpham Community College, Bognor Regis - Allocation of Funding for Project Delivery	
<p>There is a need to increase provision for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) through the creation of additional places in Specialist Support Centres that are attached to mainstream schools and academies. This will assist with the aim of enabling children to attend school locally.</p> <p>In December 2019 Cabinet approved the proposal to develop Phase two of the project for opening additional Special Support Centres in accordance with capital governance processes (decision reference CAB03(19/20)). In October 2020 the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills approved the allocation of design fees to progress 6 of the Special Support Centres including Felpham Community College (Decision reference ES09 (20/21))</p> <p>Since that approval further design work has been undertaken and costed in relation to the Special Support Centre at Felpham Community College in Bognor Regis.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills will be asked to approve the allocation of capital funding from the Capital Programme to enable the project to create a Special Support Centre at Felpham Community College to proceed.</p>	
Decision by	Cllr N Jupp - Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills
Date added	1 February 2021
Month	October 2021
Consultation/ Representations	Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills via the author or officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	Cabinet Member Decision ES09(20/21)
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Director of Property and Assets

Award of contract for the expansion of Palatine Primary School	
<p>Palatine Primary School in Worthing caters for a wide range of Special Educational Needs for children aged between 2 and 11 with moderate, severe or profound learning needs.</p> <p>Following a review of existing and projected numbers on roll, the need for capital investment in the school was identified to meet an increase in pupils from 153 to 177. As part of a separate key decision process the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills approved the allocation of capital funding from the Basic Need Capital Programme to provide additional accommodation at Palatine Primary School. The Cabinet Member also delegated authority to the Director of Property and Assets to award the contract for the expansion project (decision ES13(20/21) refers).</p> <p>Further to this delegation of authority from the Cabinet Member, the Director of Property and Assets will be asked to approve the award of contract for the expansion of Palatine Primary School.</p>	
Decision by	Andrew Edwards - Director of Property and Assets
Date added	4 January 2021
Month	October 2021
Consultation/ Representations	<p>Procurement Legal Finance</p> <p>Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Director of Property and Assets, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.</p>
Background Documents (via website)	Cabinet Member Decision ES13(20/21)
Author	Paul Hemming Tel: 033 022 23519
Contact	Wendy Saunders - Tel: 033 022 22553

Director of Property and Assets

Award of contract to provide permanent accommodation for the expansion of River Beach Primary School, Littlehampton	
<p>River Beach Primary School is a 3 form of entry Academy located in Littlehampton. Due to increased pupil population in Littlehampton, the school currently accommodates an increased intake of 30 pupils by using a 35+ year old modular unit that has reached the end of its life.</p> <p>In November 2020 the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills approved the allocation of Section 106 funding for education infrastructure capital projects, including the expansion of River Beach (decision ES10 (20/21) refers). As part of the decision the Cabinet Member also delegated authority to the Director of Property and Assets to undertake a procurement exercise and to enter into contracts for delivery of the projects. At the time of this decision it was not considered that an individual project</p>	

would require an allocation in excess of £500,000; following a feasibility study the works required at River Beach are anticipated to exceed this value, meeting the criteria for an individual officer key decision.

The Director of Property and Assets will be asked to approve the award of contract for the expansion of River Beach Primary School.

Decision by	Andrew Edwards - Director of Property and Assets
Date added	18 June 2021
Month	October 2021
Consultation/ Representations	Procurement Legal Finance Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Director of Property and Assets via the author or officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken.
Background Documents (via website)	Cabinet Member Decision ES10(20/21)
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Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills

Burgess Hill Northern Arc - New Secondary School - Allocation of Capital Funding for Project Delivery	
<p>Homes England has secured planning permission for a new 3500 home development on land known as the Northern Arc of Burgess Hill. As part of the overall plan, a site for a new Secondary School has been provided to ensure sufficient secondary school places to serve the development. In addition, a financial contribution of £18m has been secured through a Section 106 Agreement to contribute towards the construction costs of the new school. The school is proposed to open in September 2024.</p> <p>All Year 7 places at local Secondary Schools are full for September 2021. A new Secondary School is therefore required to provide for both the increasing population in the area and the additional need generated by the development.</p> <p>In July 2021 the Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills approved the capital funding to enable the detailed design for building the new school to be progressed through the County Council's Multi-Disciplinary Consultant (MDC), Faithful+Gould Ltd (decision LS03(21/22) refers). The detailed design will enable the procurement process for construction of the school to be commenced.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills will be asked to approve the allocation of the funds required for full delivery of the project and procurement of a building contractor to complete the design and construct the new building.</p>	
Decision by	Cllr N Jupp - Cabinet Member for Learning and Skills

Date added	30 July 2021
Month	November 2021
Consultation/ Representations	
Background Documents (via website)	Cabinet Member Decision Report LS03(21/22)
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Director of Education and Skills

Contract Extension for the Provision of Adult Community Education	
<p>West Sussex County Council currently provides adult community education for the residents of West Sussex through a subcontracting model, predominantly delivered by Aspire Sussex Ltd (Aspire). Provision is entirely externally funded via the Department for Education through the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) and where appropriate, fees paid by the learners. The County Council is accountable to the ESFA for the use of the funding and to Ofsted for the quality and effectiveness of provision.</p> <p>Aspire were awarded a contract on an initial three-year term, commencing 1 August 2017, with the option for up to a four-year extension.</p> <p>In April 2020, a two-year contract extension was approved which runs until August 2022 (decision OKD01(20/21) refers); the contract value is approximately £2.74m per year. The intention is to extend the contract for the final two years; taking up this extension will allow the County Council to explore future delivery models.</p> <p>The Director of Education and Skills will be asked to approve the extension of the contract with Aspire for the final two years, to 31 August 2024, with a break clause in for August 2023.</p>	
Decision by	Paul Wagstaff - Director of Education and Skills
Date added	23 June 2021
Month	November 2021
Consultation/ Representations	Representations concerning this proposed decision can be made to the Director of Education and Skills, via the officer contact, by the beginning of the month in which the decision is due to be taken
Background Documents (via website)	Officer Key Decision to extend the contract OKD01(20/21)
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