

West Sussex County Council

Proposed Executive Decision for **21 February 2022** call-in deadline **5 p.m. on 2 March 2022**

The following proposed key decision has been endorsed by an officer and will come into effect at the end of the call-in period unless the call-in procedure is activated.

Decision Title & Ref No:	Extension of the Dynamic Purchasing System for Children's Placements and Other Support Services - OKD51 (21/22)
Officer responsible for Decision	Lucy Butler - Executive Director Children, Young People and Learning
Electoral Divisions	All Divisions
Key Decision	Yes
Purpose	<p>The County Council needs to source a range of services and educational placements including foster care and placements in residential homes and independent and non-maintained special schools. The total revenue budget is £60m a year.</p> <p>The process for obtaining these services from external providers is by using the Dynamic Purchasing System for Children's Placements and Other Support Services ("CPOSS DPS"). Using the DPS enables the Council to match a young person's needs with a suitable provider. The initial contract period for the DPS expires on 28th February 2022 and this report seeks agreement to extend the DPS for 2 years from 1st March 2022 – 29 February 2024.</p>
Decision	The Executive Director of Children, Young People and Learning has approved the extension of the Children's Placements and Other Support Services Dynamic Purchasing System for 2 years from 1st March 2022 – 29th February 2024.
Interest and nature of interest declared	None.
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Background Papers	See report for details