

West Sussex County Council

Proposed Executive Decision for **17 October 2019** call-in deadline **5 p.m. on 28 October 2019**

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

Decision Title & Ref No:	Children's In-house Residential Service Strategy - CYP03(19.20)
Cabinet Member responsible for Decision	Mr Marshall - Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
West Sussex Plan priority	Best Start in Life
Electoral Divisions	All Divisions
Key Decision	Yes
Purpose	<p>This report provides a summary of the recent review of in-house residential services for children. It seeks approval for a strategic framework and service model which seek to ensure that outcomes for vulnerable children are maximised and that long-term care costs are minimised. The proposed strategy is attached (Appendix 1) and provides a full context and history for the review and a rationale for the proposals.</p> <p>The Council's existing children's residential estate has three open establishments which all have a 'good' Ofsted rating and three establishments which are not in use. Proposals for the three closed homes are prioritised in the first phase (September 2019 to December 2020) of the overall plan for the service, with the three open homes to be focused on in the second phase (July 2020 to July 2021).</p>
Decision	<p>The Cabinet Member for Children and Young People has:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Approved the strategy for the in-house children's residential service (Appendix 1).2. Endorsed the implementation plan and the proposals for the investment required to deliver the strategy.
Interest and nature of interest declared	None
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Background Papers	See report for details