

West Sussex County Council

Proposed Executive Decision for **29 June 2020** call-in deadline **5 p.m. on 8 July 2020**

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:	Award of contract for remodelling works at Cissbury Lodge Children's Home, Worthing- OKD19(20/21)
Officer responsible for Decision	Lucy Butler - Executive Director Children, Young People and Learning
West Sussex Plan priority	Best Start in Life
Electoral Divisions	Northbrook
Key Decision	Yes
Purpose	<p>The children's in-house residential service is made up of six homes, of which three, including Cissbury Lodge, are currently closed and awaiting refurbishment whilst feasibility studies and design work are undertaken.</p> <p>A strategy for the residential service was approved by the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People in October 2019 (decision reference CYP03(19/20)). It seeks to ensure that outcomes for vulnerable children are maximised and that long-term care costs are minimised. It is essential that the assets that enable support to children are redeveloped in order to support the delivery of this strategy as a part of the wider 'children first' improvement plan being driven forward by the Council.</p> <p>Cissbury Lodge's contribution to the delivery of this strategy will come through the remodelling of the home to ensure the most efficient use of the existing footprint of the homes whilst maximising the potential service offering of the site.</p> <p>As part of a separate decision process, in March 2020, approval was obtained from the Executive Director Children, Young People and Learning for the commencement of a procurement to undertake these remodelling works (decision reference OKD42 (19/20)). The procurement process has now been completed, and the Executive Director is asked to agree the award of contract to the preferred contractor for the delivery of works at Cissbury Lodge.</p>
Decision	The Executive Director Children, Young People and Learning has approved the award of contract to remodel Cissbury Lodge children's home to Westridge Construction, for the sum of £1,727,644.50, which is affordable within the total capital programme allocation for this project of £3,153,000.
Interest and nature of	None

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Background Papers	See report for details