

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
<b>Date:</b>	11 March 2010
<b>Title:</b>	Proposed changes to the number and type of children's centres in Hampshire
<b>Reference:</b>	1313
<b>Report From:</b>	The Director of Children's Services

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#### 1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the changes as set out in section three of the paper are approved and implemented with immediate effect.
- 1.2. That the Children's Centre Board, in discussion with the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services, undertake consultations on any further changes to children's centre provision and report on the outcomes to the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services

#### 2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. Hampshire County Council is required to review children's centre provision in the county following updated guidance provided by Together for Children the Government agents overseeing the development of children's centres.
- 2.2. Hampshire County Council currently provides a greater number of full core offer (30% model) children's centres than the number required.
- 2.3. There are a number of children's centres with notional catchment areas considerably smaller than the size recommended by The Department for Children, Schools and Families.

#### 3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. To retain the shape of current children's centre provision.
- 3.2. To make changes to children's centres managed by third party organisations.

#### 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:

*Not applicable*

**5. Dispensation granted by the Standards Committee: none.**

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

**7. Statement from the Decision Maker:**

**Approved by:**

**Date:**

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**11 March 2010**

**Executive Lead Member for Children's Services  
Councillor David Kirk**