

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
Date:	11 March 2010
Title:	Hampshire Children's Trust Developing Local Children's Partnerships
Reference:	1329
Report From:	The Director of Children's Services

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1. The decision:

That the Executive Lead Member notes the progress being made in establishing local children's partnerships and endorses the configuration emerging in consultation with local partners, with a view to final agreement being reported in April 2010.

2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. The Apprenticeship, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 requires Children's Services Authorities to establish a Children's Trust. The Act also confirms a new duty upon all schools and colleges to cooperate in addressing the priorities set out in the Children and Young People's Plan.
- 2.2. The Executive Lead Member and the Hampshire Children's Trust Board have previously determined that the development of local children's partnerships would assist the Trust Board in ensuring all partners are able to full fill their duty to cooperate.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. It has been considered if a 'representative' arrangement for schools and colleges to be involved in existing partnerships arrangements based upon District Council areas would be satisfactory: And it has been concluded that given the number of schools and colleges involved and the need to ensure ownership of action, across a broad range of partners, to improve outcomes, that a greater number of partnerships would be required.
- 3.2. The proposals for the development of 22 to 24 local children's partnerships will provide better opportunities for all schools and colleges and other partners to be fully engaged in assessing local need and in developing

integrated services to address improvements in outcomes for all children and young people

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:

None

5. Dispensation granted by the Standards Committee:

None

6. Reason for the matter being dealt with if urgent:

Not applicable

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by: -----	Date: 11 March 2010
Executive Lead Member for Children's Services Councillor David Kirk	