

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
Date:	6 June 2011
Title:	Home to School Transport Policy 2012
Reference:	2438
Report From:	Director of Children's Services

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services approve the proposed Home to School Transport policy (as detailed in Appendix A to the Report), and the proposed paragraph for the Post-16 Transport Policy Statement (as detailed in Appendix B to the Report).
- 1.2. That paragraph 5.3 of the decision report which refers to introducing a charge for post-16 students with learning disabilities or a disability be amended by adding the words "As stated in Appendix 2, the charge will be waived when a student's parents are in receipt of the qualifying benefits, Income Support, maximum level of working tax credit, or income based job seekers allowance".

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. The existing policy was written in 2000 and updated only to incorporate the new denominational school transport policy and new statutory requirements. The existing policy includes all statutory duties and some discretionary elements.

Providing home to school transport is a major item of expenditure for the authority, all spending on this function has been considered. Savings from changes to the policy, alongside savings from other more efficient working practices are necessary to ensure that the Home to School Transport service is delivered in the most cost effective way and the County Council can minimise budget pressures and so avoid having resources redirected from providing services to other children.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not applicable

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker:

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted:

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:

6 June 2011

**Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
Councillor Perry**