

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
Date:	18 January 2017
Title:	School Meal Prices
Reference:	8067
Report From:	Director of Children's Services

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1. The decision:

- a) That the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services agrees that the price of school meals increases by £0.05 to £2.15 from April 2017.
- b) That the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services notes the pressure on HC3S and approves in principle the pattern of school meals price increases indicated in section 4.3.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

2.1 Following the unexpected 20% reduction in the value of the pound during 2016, projections of food inflation have been received from suppliers and via other local authorities of between 4% and 8% in 2017. If the forecasts prove to be correct the additional cost to HC3S will be between £572K and £1.1m. It is now necessary to bring forward the increase planned for 2018, to 2017 in order to maintain the quality and high percentage of local produce on menus in schools.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. None.

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: None.

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.
6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.
7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

18 January 2017

**Executive Member for Children's Services
Councillor Keith Mans**