

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
Date:	22 October 2014
Title:	Provision of Children's Homes (Phase 1)
Reference:	5909
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services gives approval to the revised Phase 1 proposals for four Children's Homes at The Green House, Chandler's Ford; Swallowfields, Andover; Anchorage, Dibden and Barncroft, Havant at an estimated total cost of £4,504,000.
- 1.2. That the Executive Lead Member for Children's Services gives approval to procure and spend for the revised Phase 1 proposals as outlined in Section 2.3 of this report.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. The programme will represent a major investment in the replacement and improvement of Hampshire Children's Homes to the benefit of the children who are in the care of the Council. The programme has been updated as a result of the development of the brief and prioritisation which followed a development of the Children's Homes Business Case.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. None

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 Conduct Advisory Panel: None

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

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

It is intended that the new homes will be house-like and familiar and I would welcome the design of the internal living space to be open-plan wherever practical to encourage the children to spend time together in a family type environment.

Approved by:

Date:

22 October 2014

**Executive Lead Member for Children's Services
Councillor K Mans**