

Officer Decisions

Head of Children's Social Care - Darryl Freeman

Summary of Matter or Issue Requiring Decision

Decision to purchase additional spot purchases for the following:
Issue Based Advocacy for Children and Young People
Children and Young People's Advocacy
Independent Visiting Service.

Decision Taken

- To spot purchase up to 2,593 hours per year (indicative 617 referrals) for Issue Based Advocacy for Children
 - A purchase of an additional volume of 6 'matches' for Independent Visitor services
- The spot purchases are to be made under the existing contract with National Youth Advocacy Service (NYAS), The Factory, 14 Alder Hills, Poole, BH12 4AS

Summary of Reason(s) for Decision Taken

Summary of Alternatives or Options considered and rejected

Other options considered were to prioritise referrals for advocacy to remain within the contracted amount. This was not the preferred option at this time because of the potential impact on children and young people's voice being heard in Child Protection.

Details of any conflict of interest and dispensation granted to the Officer taking the decision or by any Member of the Council in delegating responsibility for any specific express delegation

No conflict of interest.

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Decision Date

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