

RECORD OF DECISION BY CITY MAYOR OR INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE MEMBER

1.	Decision title	Proposed Expansion of Residential Children's Homes
2.	Declarations of interest	None
3.	Date of decision	8 February 2022
4.	Decision maker	Deputy City Mayor - Social Care and Anti-Poverty
5.	Decision taken	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve expansion of our in-house children's residential home provision by converting existing council properties into two new children's homes, to accommodate 5 and 6 young people respectively, between the ages of 8 and 17 years. 2. Approve the part use of the existing department capital policy provision of £6.7m to fund the schemes. This will also be supported by the match funded DfE capital children's home grant award for £0.5m.
6.	Reason for decision	As part of our delivery of our placement sufficiency strategy, approval is given to expand our in-house children's residential home provision by a further two homes to care for a further 11 young people in care. This will provide more local homes, with access to local support services, and reduce our reliance on the external market.
7.	A) KEY DECISION Yes/No? b) If yes, was it published 5 clear days in advance? Yes/no	Yes Yes
8.	Options considered	Continue with the current level of in-house residential provision and commissioning of external placements. Develop one of the proposed new homes.

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9.	Deadline for call-in <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5 members of a scrutiny commission or any 5 councillors can ask for the decision to be called-in.• Notification of call-in with reasons must be made to the monitoring officer	15 February 2022
10.	Signature of decision maker (City Mayor or where delegated by the City Mayor, name of executive member)	