

LEAD MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND INCLUSION, SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITY

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Education and Inclusion, Special Educational Needs and Disability, Councillor Bob Standley, on 25 March 2024 at Remote Meeting via Microsoft Teams

44. DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD CABINET MEMBER ON TUESDAY 6 FEBRUARY

44.1 The Lead Member approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 6 February.

45. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

45.1 There were none.

46. URGENT ITEMS

46.1 There were none.

47. REPORTS

47.1 A copy of the reports referred to below is included in the minute book.

48. EAST SUSSEX CHILDCARE SUFFICIENCY DUTY 2024

48.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Children's Services seeking approval of the publication of the East Sussex Childcare Sufficiency Duty 2024.

DECISIONS

48.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to approve the publication of the East Sussex Childcare Sufficiency Duty 2024.

REASONS

48.3 The Council has a duty to publish a Childcare Sufficiency Duty report annually. The document supports the Council's statutory obligation of on-going assessment of childcare provision for children aged 0-14 years old (and up to 18 years old for children with special educational needs and disabilities) in East Sussex.

49. HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND

49.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Director of Children's Services updating on the announcement of the latest round of the Household Support Fund and to agree to the distribution a proportion of the grant funding.

DECISIONS

49.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- 1) Approve the proposed spend of £615,000 of the Fund for the allocation of food vouchers to eligible free school meal pupils for the 2024 Easter holidays; and
- 2) Delegate authority to the Director of Children's Services to implement the scheme on the terms set out in the report.

REASONS

49.3 The Fund enables the Council to provide support to vulnerable East Sussex residents including children and families who are struggling financially.