

**Bracknell Forest Council
Record of Decision**

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| Work Programme Reference | I067585 |
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1. **TITLE:** Adopt Thames Valley Regional Adoption Agency

2. **SERVICE AREA:** Children, Young People and Learning

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

To approve the transfer of the Councils Adoption Service to a Regional Adoption Shared Service, managed by Oxfordshire.

4. **IS KEY DECISION** Yes

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive Member for Children, Young People & Learning

6. **DECISION:**

To support Bracknell Forest Council's shared service arrangements being extended to become Adopt Thames Valley Regional Adoption Agency with the new shared service to be hosted by Oxfordshire County Council, with a base for Berkshire in Wokingham.

7. **REASON FOR DECISION**

Improvements to adoption services for both children and adopters. Value for money so that no child will experience any undue delay in finding an adoptive home and to comply with government requirements.

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

None.

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** All staff within the scope and adoptive families.

10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Director of Children, Young People & Learning.

11. **DECLARED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** None.

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| Date Decision Made | Final Day of Call-in Period |
| 26 May 2017 | 5 June 2017 |