

**Bracknell Forest Council
Record of Decision**

Work Programme Reference	I068263
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1. **TITLE:** Larchwood Short Break Unit Statement of Purpose 2017-18 and Larchwood Short Break Unit Annual Report 2016-2017

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

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

To approve the revised Larchwood Short Break Unit Statement of Purpose 2017 - 2018 and note the Larchwood Short Break Unit Annual Report 2016 - 2017.

4 **IS KEY DECISION** Yes

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

6. **DECISION:**

That the revised Statement of Purpose 2017 for the Larchwood Short Break Unit was approved and the Larchwood Short Break Unit Annual Report 2016–2017 was noted.

7. **REASON FOR DECISION**

The compilation of the Statement of Purpose for Registered Children’s Homes is a requirement in the Children’s Homes (England) Regulations 2015 and the Guide to the Children’s Homes Regulations including the quality standards April 2015 (Department for Education).

The approved Statement of Purpose is compliant with the Children’s Homes (England) Regulations 2015. These regulations place a requirement on Registered Children’s Homes to produce a Statement of Purpose under schedule 1, regulation 16. The statement of purpose should be child-focused, indicating how the home provides individualised care to meet the Quality Standards for the children in their care.

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

The completion of a Statement of Purpose is a legal requirement within the Children’s Homes (England) Regulations 2015, which includes a requirement for the Statement of Purpose to be approved at least annually. As this is a legal requirement alternative options have not been considered.

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** Children's Specialist Support Team
Children's Social Care Management Team
Children Young People & Learning
Departmental Management Team

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

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

Date Decision Made	Final Day of Call-in Period
26 June 2017	3 July 2017