Dear Parents and Carers.

Please find below a message from Hampshire County Council with link to it's Future Services Consultation...

Don't miss your chance to have your say in the County Council's <u>Future Services</u> <u>Consultation</u> to understand people's views across Hampshire on proposals to change and reduce some local services and help the Council address a £132 million budget shortfall faced by April 2025

The consultation aims to help inform our efforts to focus key support to the most vulnerable people in Hampshire in future – such as protecting children from harm, abuse and neglect, social care for older people, and supporting adults and children with disabilities and additional needs – while meeting our legal duty to deliver a balanced budget in 2025/26.

Having launched the consultation at the start of the year, we've received many responses to date, and wish to thank everyone who has already participated by providing their individual feedback on the 13 proposals to help lower costs in future and what it might mean for residents if we were to do things differently after April 2025.

If you haven't already taken part, there are just a few weeks left to do so. The consultation closes at 11:59pm on 31 March 2024.

## Complete the consultation online

Feedback can be provided by using the consultation Response Form, available online via the consultation webpage: <a href="https://www.hants.gov.uk/future-services-consultation">www.hants.gov.uk/future-services-consultation</a>.

The responses submitted through this consultation will be collated and used to shape final savings proposals that will be considered by the County Council's Cabinet later this year.

## How to provide your views

We're still encouraging as many people as possible, including schools, to provide their views, so that the potential impact of any changes proposed can be considered. No prior decisions have been made regarding the proposals.

## Your views count

Your views are really important - so please take the time to <u>respond to the consultation online</u>, and encourage others to do the same.

We would also like to increase awareness of the consultation and encourage participation among young people. Therefore, we would welcome your support in promoting the consultation where possible.

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