

LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN	WARDS: All
REPORT TITLE School Meals Delivery in Schools	
REPORT OF Head of Education Commissioning and School Organisation	
FOR SUBMISSION TO Schools Forum	DATE 5 December 2023
<p>SUMMARY OF REPORT</p> <p>Camden Council reported to Schools Forum in September 2023 concerning the ongoing consideration of future School Meals contract.</p> <p>The following presentation sets out the Council's current position with regard to the future of school meals delivery and the range of options available to the Council.</p> <p>Contact Officer: Shola Matiluko, Contracts Performance Manager 5 Pancras Square, N1C 4AG 020 7974 4518 / Shola.Matiluko@camden.gov.uk</p>	
<p>RECOMMENDATIONS</p> <p>The Schools' Forum is asked to note the current position and the time-line of activity over the next period.</p>	



Signed:

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Date: 30 November 2023

1 Summary

- 1.1 The presentation (Appendix 1) sets out the approach for the Council in relation to the delivery of food in schools.

2. Legal Implications (comments from the Borough Solicitor)

- 2.1 Any potential contract award will comply with the PCR 2015 and CSOs. CSOs require that the Executive Director makes the Decision to award.

3. Environmental Impacts

- 3.1 None

4. Financial Comments

- 4.1 The full cost of the service is financed by schools through a combination of charges to parents for paid meals and funding of free meals from their delegated budget. Schools are charged as per the invoiced number of meals by the contractor.
- 4.2 Schools have autonomy on the use of their budgets with the Council having a duty to assist them in securing value for money for their contracted services. As a result, the Council through its procurement processes allows schools to have access to contracts at competitively tendered price and quality.
- 4.3 Schools can be varied into or out of the contract by giving a reasonable notice.

5. Appendices

Appendix 1 - School Meal Arrangements Presentation

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