

Hampshire County Council Provider Briefing and Consultation

Holiday Activity and Food Programme 2021

1. Introduction

The aim of this document is to make you aware of the Holiday Activities and Food programme Hampshire County Council will subject to any changes in Government guidance relating to the response to the pandemic, be putting in place from April 2021. We are seeking to work with a range of providers and organisations to deliver activities across Hampshire and there will be an opportunity for providers to bid for funding to support delivery of holiday schemes.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/holiday-activities-and-food-programme>

The Department of Education is providing funding to local authorities to coordinate a programme that provides healthy food and enriching activities to disadvantaged children during the Easter, Summer and Christmas Holidays during 2021. All children in Hampshire who receive benefits related to Free School Meals will be eligible. Hampshire County Council is looking to engage with a wide network of community based organisations, including existing holiday care providers, schools, childminders, sports coaching, creative and performing arts providers and many others.

2. Specification and Funding Criteria

Hampshire Council will supply grants to providers who can prove that they can deliver:

- High quality enriching activities
- Healthy nutritious meals
- Skills, activities/classes aimed at helping children and their parents to make healthy and affordable choices.
- A positive legacy that lasts longer than the experience

Activities must last for at least four hours per day and can be incorporated into an existing programme such as a play, sporting, creative or performing arts provision. Alternatively, organisations could provide a new dedicated community provision. Providers are encouraged to offer places to non free school meals children who can afford to pay to attend.

Activities should be offered for at least six weeks during school holidays between April and December 2021 as set out below; however, the County Council will be seeking to provide a wide range of opportunities so providers who can only deliver part of the solution or spaces required in a particular area should still apply.

- 1 week at Easter
- 4 weeks during summer
- 1 week at Christmas
- A minimum of 4 days a week with flexibility according to holiday dates.
- A minimum of 4 hours per day

3. Framework of Minimum Standards

Grants will only be available to organisations and providers who have:

- An ability to risk assess their proposed activities
- Sufficient safeguarding policies and protocols including safer recruitment.
- The ability to provide nutritious meals that meet School Food Standards
<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2014/1603/contents/made>
- Sufficient insurance for their proposed activities
- Understand any regulatory requirements for their proposed activities

Hampshire County Council can provide advice and guidance please email
connect4communities@hants.gov.uk

4. Consultation and Scoping Dialogue

Potential providers are invited to an online webinar and Q&A session. Whilst attendance is not compulsory, it will provide an opportunity to explore potential ideas. Equally we are encouraging providers to explore networking and collaborative working to maximise the positive impact of their activities.

5. Timescales

This document is not a grant round opening and the timescales given below are subject to change. The initial grant round will cover the Easter Holidays. This will enable a brief period of evaluation before a second grant round covering Summer and Christmas opens in May.

Webinars/Q&A - (not compulsory) Booking required through Eventbrite password: SFYC	Tuesday 19 January or Thursday 21 January 1830-2000hrs
Easter Grant Round Opens	Wednesday 27 th January
Easter Grant Round Closes	Friday 12 th February
Grant Evaluations	Week Commencing 15 th February
Decisions Communicated	Week Commencing 22 nd February
Easter Holidays/Delivery	2 nd -16 th April
Evaluation	19 th -23 rd April
Grant Round 2 Summer & Christmas Opens	10 th May

6. Demographics

The following tables identify the numbers of children who are eligible for Free School Meals by district and gives an indication of the number of holiday activity places that are typically delivered in that area. Hampshire County Council will award grants in all areas, but allocations will be prioritised in areas of greatest need. This information may help providers to target their schemes.

District	FSM Eligible Children	% Of local children who are FSM Eligible	Number of Existing Providers (pre-COVID)	Estimate of existing places per day available to the open market
Basingstoke	3604	15.2%	24	1300
East Hants	1416	10.8%	14	645
Eastleigh	2664	13.9%	15	935
Fareham	1865	11.6%	16	652
Gosport	2251	21%	7	345
Hart	1075	7.7%	14	982
Havant	4508	23.3%	6	271
New Forest	3302	15.5%	14	519
Rushmoor	1851	15.9%	11	456
Test Valley	2283	13.7%	16	658
Winchester	1565	10.0%	19	1264 (one provider offers up to 500 places daily)

7. Communication

Two Webinar dates have been arranged however if you have any questions or would like to discuss potential projects, please email connect4communities@hants.gov.uk . Please put **HAF** in the subject bar.

8. Useful Links

Ofsted Registration Requirements

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/childminders-and-childcare-providers-register-with-ofsted/registration-requirements>

Ofsted Registration Exemptions

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/childminders-and-childcare-providers-register-with-ofsted/registration-exemptions>

Protective Measures for holiday or after school clubs during Covid-19

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/protective-measures-for-holiday-or-after-school-clubs-and-other-out-of-school-settings-for-children-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19->

[outbreak/protective-measures-for-out-of-school-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak](#)

Schools Food Standards

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2014/1603/contents/made>

National Institute of Health Care Excellence – Children & Physical Activity Guidance

<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ph17>

Caroline Walker Trust (Nutrition)

<https://www.cwt.org.uk/>