

Key items discussed and agreed at ESCC management group meeting, 24 January 2019

This is an informative for all schools who buy into the school meals contract with Harrison Catering via the Ealing Schools Catering Consortium. It is intended to provide all consortium members with the headlines and key items discussed and agreed at the ESCC Management Group meeting which took place on 24 January 2019.

- The Consortium's accounts were reviewed and it was confirmed that the consortium was continuing to operate at a forecast deficit as reported at the previous ESCC Committee Meeting held on 11th October 2018.
- The deficit will be met from existing ESCC reserves.
- There is no update presently on Cypad, however is not anticipated that the current system will be affected before Summer 2019 at the earliest.
- Harrison tabled proposals around the suggestion of potentially utilising the cash team differently in the future to support the schools should the decision be taken to go 100% online meal payments.
- A separate session was convened after Harrison had left the meeting to discuss the re-tender of the contract. The new contract will go live from 1st August 2020.