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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Cabinet
Date:	16 April 2024
Title:	Driving Towards Economic Strength
Report From:	Director of Hampshire 2050

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1. The decision:

That Cabinet:

- 1.1 Notes that the economy fell into a mild recession at the end of last year, which places an emphasis on the County Council to continue to use its scale and influence to drive towards long term economic competitiveness of Hampshire, through shaping and influencing the key priorities set out in the Economic Strategy approved by Cabinet in December 2022. This also includes the County Council's role in promoting place-based Regeneration and Growth Partnerships.
- 1.2 Notes the Government announcement that councils across England will receive a £600 million support package, in addition to funding outlined at the local government finance settlement, to help them deliver key services. The support package will primarily be added to the Social Care Grant to bolster social care budgets. The Spring Budget did not address ways to ease the severe financial pressures faced by local government.
- 1.3 Notes the new requirement to produce and publish local authority productivity plans by July 2024 which need to set out how councils will improve service performance and reduce wasteful expenditure.
- 1.4 Notes the update on the integration of Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) functions into the Upper-tier Local Authorities in Hampshire, including the proposals for decision making.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

2.1 To provide Cabinet with an analysis of the current economic climate in Hampshire and to update Cabinet on the progress with the integration of former LEP services and the new supporting governance structure.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. Not to note the issues raised. This option was rejected as it would be against the best interests of the Hampshire economy.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker:

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted:

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

16 April 2024

**Vice Chairman of Cabinet
Councillor Roz Chadd**

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Decision Maker:	Cabinet
Date:	16 April 2024
Title:	Annual Report of the Director of Public Health 2023/24: Let's not wait – Enabling Hampshire's Children to be a Healthy Weight
Report From:	Director of Public Health

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1. The decision:

1.1. That Cabinet:

- Notes the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health, 2023/24.
- Endorses the ambition within the Annual Report which acknowledges the significant challenge we face in respect to rising levels of childhood overweight and obesity, the multi-faceted causes, the impacts and system wide collaboration required to halt the worsening trend.
- Agrees the report recommendation: That we develop an approach for Healthy Weight in Hampshire which all partners can agree and sign up to, including plans to reduce child obesity.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1. The 2012 Health and Care Act placed a statutory duty on upper tier Local Authorities to improve and protect the health of their residents. Directors of Public Health have a statutory duty to write an Annual Public Health Report to demonstrate the state of health within their communities. The focus of this year's report is childhood overweight and obesity.

2.2. This report is a call to action to focus the one key priority which is the significant challenge we face in respect of rising levels of childhood overweight and obesity. The includes the multi-faceted causes and system-wide collaboration required to halt the worsening trend.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. No other options were considered and rejected.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None.

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None.

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: N/A

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: N/A

7. Statement from the decision maker:

Approved by:

Date:

**Vice Chairman of Cabinet
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Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Cabinet
Date:	16 April 2024
Title:	Local Government Declaration on Tobacco Control
Report From:	Director of Public Health

Contact name: Simon Bryant

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1. The decision:

1.1. That Cabinet approves for the Leader of the Council, the Chief Executive, and the Director of Public Health, to sign the Local Government Declaration on Tobacco Control, in line with the Government's smokefree generation ambition.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1. The County Council, through its role as the Public Health Authority, leads local action to tackle smoking and youth electronic cigarette use through convening the Hampshire Tobacco Control Alliance, commissioning a community stop smoking service, and working in partnership across the system to embed smoking and electronic cigarette cessation and prevention. The County Council leads a multi-agency Tobacco Control Strategy which agencies have signed up to delivering together. This was presented at the Health and Wellbeing Board in March 2023.

2.2. The Local Government Declaration on Tobacco Control is a public statement of the County Council's commitment to action on smoking and electronic cigarette use and to protect residents from the harm caused by these products.

2.3. The most effective way to tackle smoking is through a comprehensive, collaborative approach working with partners across the system, which will be led by the Hampshire Tobacco Control Alliance.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. No other options were considered.

4. Conflicts of interest: N/A

- 4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: N/A
- 4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: N/A
- 5. **Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel:** None.
- 6. **Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent:** N/A
- 7. **Statement from the decision maker:**

Approved by:	Date:
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