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Executive Decision Records

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Date:	15 January 2019
Title:	Project Appraisal: M27 Junction 9 and Parkway South Roundabout Scheme
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- 1.1 That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport approves the Project Appraisal for the M27 Junction 9 and Parkway South Roundabout scheme ("the Scheme"), as outlined in the supporting report subject to confirmation of the County Council's Capital Programme.
- 1.2 That subject to the acquisition of all necessary land interests, approval be given to procure and spend and enter into necessary contractual arrangements, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, including any necessary agreements with Highways England, to implement the proposed improvements to M27 Junction 9, Whiteley Way and Parkway South Roundabout, as set out in the supporting report, at an estimated cost of £22.230million to be funded from a combination of Highways England Growth and Housing Fund, Highways England Congestion Relief Fund, Local Transport Plan funding and developer contributions.
- 1.3 That authority to make the arrangements to implement the Scheme, including minor variations to the design or contract, be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1 The decision will increase capacity and improve journey time reliability at and between M27 Junction 9 and Parkway South Roundabout in Whiteley. These works will contribute towards improving the local and strategic highway networks to accommodate forecasted traffic growth to ensure Hampshire maintains strong, sustainable economic growth and prosperity.
- 2.2. The improved infrastructure will allow greater accessibility to local businesses and housing development areas to assist the local and regional

economy and promote investment and growth in construction of new homes on a number of local sites.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1 The option of not progressing work on the junction improvements was considered and rejected as it would mean the traffic congestion and delay in the area would continue to worsen, with resultant negative impacts on business and investment and the provision of new homes.
- 3.2. The option of implementing improvements at one junction and not the other was considered and rejected, as the two junctions are very much linked in operational terms and only a fraction of the overall scheme benefits would be achieved.
- 3.3. The option of widening Whiteley Way on the eastern side of the carriageway was considered and rejected as uneconomically viable due to the significant costs and forecast delays to the motorway network resulting from the traffic management requirements for diverting the existing utility services and constructing the necessary structural works. This option was also judged to have a greater potential negative impact on adjacent residential properties.

- 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:

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Executive Member for Environment and Transport Councillor Rob Humby	

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport	
Date:	15 January 2019	
Title:	tle: Whitehill & Bordon Integration – Budds Lane	
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment	

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1. The decision:

1.1 That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport approve the Project Appraisal for Phase 1 of the Whitehill and Bordon Integration Project, namely the Budds Lane Scheme, as outlined in the supporting report, and notes the outcome of the public consultation.

- 1.2 That subject to all necessary land interests being acquired and funding being secured, approval be given to procure and spend and enter into necessary contractual arrangements, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to implement or facilitate the implementation of the proposed improvements in the Budds Lane Scheme, as set out in the supporting report, at an estimated cost of £3.4million to be funded from EM3 LEP.
- 1.3 That authority is given to enter into a Funding Agreement with the Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to secure £3.4 million for the delivery of the Budds Lane Scheme.
- 1.4 That authority to make the arrangements to implement the Budds Lane Scheme, including minor variations to the design or contract, be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment.
- 1.5 That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment in consultation with the Head of Legal Services to progress all appropriate orders, notices or statutory procedures and secure any consents, licences, permissions, rights or easements necessary to enable the Budds Lane Scheme to be implemented.

2. Reason for the decision

2.1 The decision is needed to ensure that a scheme can be delivered in time for the handover of the new Mill Chase Academy to the University of Chichester,

in order to provide a suitable walking / cycling route to the new school and comply with the findings of the Stage 2 Road Safety Audit (RSA). The RSA was undertaken as a condition of the planning approval for the school granted by Hampshire County Council.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1 Not progressing with the Budds Lane Scheme was considered and rejected, due to the reputational damage of not being able to open the school on time and with a safe access route. This would be contrary to the recommendations of the RSA and be in breach of planning condition stipulated by the County Council.
- 3.2 Progressing a wider scheme in Budds Lane that serviced the new Mill Chase School and the proposed new Town Centre development was considered and rejected due to the different timescales involved. While the school timescale is advanced and set at a September 2019 opening, the timescale for the Town Centre development adjacent to Budds Lane has yet to be set and is at least three years away. Given these differences and the need to deliver the project to meet the Mill Chase school programme, a scheme that serviced the school only was taken forward.

- 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:
- 5.1 None.
- 6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent:
- 6.1 Not applicable.
- 7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

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Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport	
Date:	15 January 2019	
Title:	Project Appraisal for the Replacement of A35 Holmsley Rail Bridge, New Forest	
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment	

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport approve the Project Appraisal for replacement of A35 Holmsley Rail Bridge in the New Forest, as outlined in the supporting report, subject to the conclusion of the required land processes.
- 1.2. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy Transport and Environment (in consultation with the Head of Legal Services) to progress any appropriate Orders, Notices or Statutory Procedures and obtain any consents, rights, permissions or easements that are necessary to enable implementation of the proposed replacement of the A35 Holmsley Rail Bridge and associated highway improvements.
- 1.3. That, subject to all land required to implement the works being secured, approval be given to procure and spend and enter into the necessary contractual arrangements to implement the proposed replacement of A35 Holmsley Rail Bridge and highway improvements, as set out in the supporting report, at an estimated cost of £5.5million to be funded from the Structures Capital Maintenance budget.
- 1.4. That authority to make the arrangements to implement the scheme, including minor variations to the design or contract, be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment.

2. Reason for the decision:

2.1 The reason for this decision is to authorise the Holmsley Rail Bridge replacement scheme which will ensure the A35 remains open and unrestricted and at the same time improves road safety in the immediate vicinity.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. Instead of replacing alongside, consideration was given to replacing the bridge in its current position. This was rejected as the County Council recognised that

the New Forest relies heavily on tourism and summertime visitors and that the A35 would need to be closed for many months to take down the old bridge and build the new one. During this period traffic on the A35 would have needed to be diverted around the New Forest causing major traffic and environmental issues.

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- 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:

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Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport	
Date:	15 January 2019	
Title:	Hampshire Concessionary Travel Scheme Contract	
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment	

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport gives authority to procure and spend up to the value of £1.5 million (for the maximum six year period), to be funded from the Concessionary Travel Scheme Budget and to enter into the necessary contractual arrangements (in consultation with the Head of Legal Services) to provide an Asset Management System/Host Operating Process System and a Customer Management System for the Hampshire Concessionary Travel Scheme ("the Scheme"), to commence on 1 October 2019 for an initial period of four years, with the option to extend for up to a further two years.
- 1.2. That the overall approach to procuring these services as set out in Section 4 of the report be agreed in principle and that the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment be given delegated authority to develop the detail in consultation with the Executive Member for Environment and Transport.

2. Reason for the decision:

2.1. The award of this contract will provide the County Council with the Asset Management System/Host Operating Processing System and a Customer Management System which it needs in order to continue providing the scheme and fulfil the statutory requirements for operating a Travel Concession Scheme. The concessions offered by the scheme, which support the transport needs of older and disabled people, help to support the County Council's corporate objective of supporting people to live safe, healthy and independent lives.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. One option would be not to award a contract for the provision of an Asset Management System/Host Operating Processing System and a Customer Management System. This would result in the County Council not being able to provide the scheme and fulfil its statutory requirements for operating a Travel Concession Scheme

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- 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:

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Date:	15 January 2019
Title:	Farnborough Growth Package – Lynchford Road and Invincible Road Improvements
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- 3.1. That the preferred Lynchford Road scheme (as detailed in Appendix 1 of the supporting report) ("the Scheme") be approved, following the public consultation and that the responses to the consultation be noted.
- 3.2. That a design review of the proposed pedestrian crossing outside Wavell School be carried out before later improvements on the St Albans Roundabout to Queens Roundabout section of Lynchford Road are implemented.
- 3.3. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment to progress all design, development and business case work necessary for the Scheme and enable the completion of detailed design on the section from the A331 roundabout to and including St Alban's roundabout ("Phase One") including engagement with Rushmoor Borough Council and make minor amendments to accommodate responses following the engagement exercise, if necessary.
- 3.4. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment in consultation with the Head of Legal Services to progress any appropriate orders, notices or statutory procedures and secure any consents, permissions, rights or easements necessary to enable the Scheme to be implemented.
- 3.5. That authority is given to enter into a Funding Agreement with the Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to secure the available £6.7 million for the delivery of Phase One of the Lynchford Road scheme and the Invincible Road Scheme, (as previously approved by the Executive Member for Environment and Transport) to form part of the Farnborough Growth Package.
- 3.6. That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport recommends that the Executive Member for Policy and Resources provides authority to acquire all third party land interests in any land and any necessary rights required for or to enable the delivery of the Scheme by agreement.

4. Reason for the decision:

- 4.1. The purpose of this paper is to identify the preferred scheme proposals for Lynchford Road to be taken forward for further development and delivery of a first phase in the short term, as part of the Farnborough Growth Package. The first phase will be delivered using the funding that has been provisionally secured through the Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership's (EM3 LEPs) Local Growth Deal, in order to support economic and housing growth in Farnborough.
- 4.2. The Invincible Road Scheme is part of the wider Farnborough Growth Package, and was included in the Executive Member for Environment and Transport's decision day on 13 March 2018. The decision to progress the design of this scheme as a high priority was approved, and this report seeks authority to enter in to a funding agreement with the EM3 LEP for this scheme.

5. Other options considered and rejected:

- 5.1. Do Nothing This has been rejected as funding has been provisionally secured from the Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership to deliver transport improvement in Farnborough to support economic and housing growth. This report is essential to ensure that the prioritised interventions are identified, and authority is secured to progress further design work on these, with the intention of delivery by 2021.
- 5.2. Alternative ways of accessing employment areas and Farnborough Airport were considered at a high level in earlier stages of work. Accessing the airport from Junction 4a of the M3 would be costly due to the length of road requiring an upgrade and the likely need to replace a bridge over the railway. Lynchford Road would remain the primary access route from areas to the east, north and south and as it already experiences high levels of congestion was identified as a priority for further work.
- 5.3. Through the design development a number of different options were considered for different sections of Lynchford Road however these either had negative impacts in terms of loss of vegetation or parking or didn't provide the required capacity. The consultation also included two alternatives to the preferred scheme which were discounted due to a lack of public support.

- 6.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker:
- 6.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted:
- 7. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.
- 8. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.
- 9. Statement from the Decision Maker:

I thank the North Camp Support Group and North Camp Business Group for attending my Decision Day and speaking on this item, and have considered the points that have been made in making this decision.

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Date:	15 January 2019
Title:	M27 Junction 10
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport notes the significant progress on the M27 Junction 10 Improvement Scheme ("the Scheme"), as well as the updated risk assessment set out in the supporting report;
- 1.2. That authority is delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment to develop, and in due course submit a business case for the Scheme to the Department for Transport, in consultation with the Executive Member for Environment and Transport and, in respect of financial aspects of the project and business case, the Director of Corporate Resources.
- 1.3. That authority is delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment to pursue all potential external and partner funding and bidding opportunities to secure funding towards the Scheme development and delivery;
- 1.4. That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport endorses the action taken to commence initial, advanced works for the Scheme in December 2018, which was required to meet constraints associated with licensing for protected species;
- 1.5. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment and the Head of Legal Services to progress, enter into, and secure all appropriate licences, agreements, consents, rights, permissions and easements necessary to enable the advanced and main works to be undertaken on land owned by third parties, including Section 6 agreements to work on land owned by Highways England and licences to work on Buckland Estate land;
- 1.6. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport, and Environment and the Head of Legal Services to progress and make all Orders (including Side Road Orders) necessary to progress the Scheme towards

- delivery to ensure that the Orders can be advertised as soon as possible to enable timescales for sequential tasks to be achieved;
- 1.7. That authority is delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment, in consultation with the Executive Member for Environment and Transport, to suspend development activity on the Scheme once current funds are exhausted and in the event that further funding is not received, or that other significant programme issues arise as set out in the supporting report.

2. Reason for the decision:

2.1. The decision is required to enable necessary work on this important Scheme to be progressed as far as possible until current funds are exhausted, within the constraints of current uncertainties and assessed risks, and to provide the County Council with the option to discontinue work should the latter materialise. There is a need to progress key tasks and processes to ensure that, should a future decision be taken to progress the Scheme to delivery, this option is still open given critical timescales for spending funding.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. There are variations on three potential options regarding the progression of this Scheme, namely:
 - to progress the scheme development and delivery;
 - to progress the scheme development but not the delivery; or
 - to not progress the Scheme.

In relation to the first two options, a future decision will be required at an appropriate break point between development and delivery stages based upon a full understanding of scheme risks to the County Council. It is anticipated that this decision point will be in Spring 2019. To not progress the Scheme has been rejected at this stage given the high profile nature of this regionally significant Scheme. The Secretary of State for Transport has advised that Hampshire County Council is best placed to be the Scheme Promoter. As currently there is no financial risk to the County Council, it makes sense to continue at this stage.

4. Conflicts of interest:

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

None. However, it is noted that the Economy, Transport, and Environment Department has different interests in relation to M27 Junction 10, including fulfilling the role of Scheme Promoter and also as Highway Authority. The County Council is also a statutory consultee on Welborne Planning

Applications. M27 Junction 10 forms a detailed part of the wider outline Planning Application for the Welborne development submitted to Fareham Borough Council in December 2018.

- 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:

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Executive Member for Environment and Transport Councillor Rob Humby	



HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Date:	15 January 2019
Title:	ETE Capital Programme Monitoring
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport approves the addition of £11.891million of funding from the Department for Transport and notes that it is expected that this funding will be carried forward to 2019/20.
- 1.2. That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport recommends to Cabinet and the County Council the increase in value of the M27 J10 scheme (design and development phase) from £1.5million to £4million.
- 1.3. That the amended 2018/19 capital programme, which includes changes recommended in this report totalling £197.285million, be approved.

2. Reason for the decision:

2.1. To provide authority to make adjustments to the Environment and Transport Capital Programme to reflect the developing context for delivery and ensure efficient progress of the County Council's capital projects.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. Not to provide authority to amend the Capital Programme. This option was rejected on the basis that it would obstruct the timely and efficient delivery of capital projects

- 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: none.
- 6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

In making this decision, I accept that the total noted in recommendation 1.3 has updated to £197.285

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Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Date:	15 January 2019
Title:	ETE Proposed Capital Programme 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

1.1 That the Executive Member recommends approval to the Leader and Cabinet of the proposed 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 capital programmes totalling £194.275million, as set out in the supporting report and in Appendices 1 and 2.

2 Reason for the decision:

2.1 This paper sets out the proposed 3-year capital programme for the Economy, Transport and Environment Department in order that, subject to approval by the Executive Member, the proposals can be recommended to Cabinet for inclusion in the County Council's 2019/20 to 2021/22 capital programme.

3 Other options considered and rejected:

3.1 None

- 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:

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Date:	15 January 2019
Title:	2019/20 Revenue Budget Report for Environment and Transport
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment and Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources

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1. The decision:

To approve for submission to the Leader and the Cabinet:

- 1.1 The revised revenue budget for 2018/19 as set out in Appendix 1.
- 1.2 The summary revenue budget for 2019/20 as set out in Appendix 1.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

2.1 The County Council is required to agree its budget and set the council tax for 2018/19 at its meeting on 14 February 2019. The Cabinet agreed provisional cash limits for each Department at its meeting on 10 December 2018 and asked Executive Members with Chief Officers to develop their detailed revenue budgets within these guidelines.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1 The total of the budget proposals in this report are in line with the guidelines set by Cabinet. A budget in excess of the guidelines is not considered affordable and a budget significantly below the guidelines would not enable service objectives to be met. These service objectives and budgets for 2019/20 and future years have been developed in keeping with the County Council's priorities.

- 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: none.
- 6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.
- 7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

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Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport	
Date:	15 January 2019	
Title:	Project Appraisal: Access to Aldershot Station	
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment	

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport approves the Project Appraisal for Access to Aldershot Station, as outlined in the supporting report.
- 1.2. That approval be given to procure and spend and enter into necessary contractual arrangements (in consultation with the Head of Legal Services) to implement the proposed highway improvements that form part of the Access to Aldershot Station scheme, as set out in the supporting report, at an estimated cost of £335,000 to be funded from Developer Contribution and Public Realm Improvement Fund.
- 1.3. That authority to make the arrangements to implement the scheme, including minor variations to the design or contract, be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment.
- 1.4. That authority is given to enter into a funding agreement with Rushmoor Borough Council (in consultation with the Head of Legal Services) for the delivery of proposed improvements to the Aldershot Train Station Forecourt, which form part of the Access to Aldershot Station scheme.
- 1.5. That, subject to a satisfactory funding agreement between Hampshire County Council and Rushmoor Borough Council, £217,000 of Developer Contributions are transferred to Rushmoor Borough Council to implement the proposed improvements to the Aldershot Train Station Forecourt, which together with the proposed highways improvements constitute the Access to Aldershot Station scheme.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. Hampshire County Council and Rushmoor Borough Council have a long standing interest in improving Aldershot Train Station. It is a key gateway to the town centre and an important rail/bus interchange facility.
- 2.2. Highway improvements on the road network within the vicinity of Aldershot Train Station will provide greater access for all modes of transport. In particular, such improvements will provide an opportunity to create a new cycle route from the train station to an existing cycle route north of the town on the A323.
- 2.3. Rushmoor Borough Council has funding to improve Aldershot Station Forecourt. This includes access improvements and environmental improvements to create a more welcoming atmosphere and encourage footfall to the station. The station forecourt improvements will include a cycle hub with secure parking facilities.
- 2.4. The proposed improvements involve three separate stages: works on the road network as outlined in this paper; works at the entrance to the train station; and works within the station forecourt. Rushmoor Borough Council have responsibility for delivering works at the entrance to the station and within the station forecourt. They are also managing the design and implementation of the road network improvements on behalf of Hampshire County Council under the terms of the agency agreement.
- 2.5. Integrating all three stages will result in a more consistent delivery and reduction in overall costs. Therefore, it is proposed for Hampshire County Council to deliver the highway improvements on the road network using Rushmoor Borough Council to carry out the design function under terms of the agency agreement for a total cost of £335,000 along with Hampshire County Council contributing £217,000 to Rushmoor Borough Council for the station forecourt scheme, subject to a satisfactory funding agreement. This approach will enable a seamless delivery of one integrated transport scheme that will result in transport, access, and sustainability improvements for Aldershot.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. Consideration was given to Hampshire County Council taking responsibility for delivery of the integrated scheme. However, this involved the transfer of funding from Rushmoor Borough Council, M3 Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), and South Western Railway. It was felt this approach was a more convoluted route and also placed all delivery risk with Hampshire County Council.

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: none.
- 6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.
- 7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

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