

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
<b>Date:</b>	15 January 2019
<b>Title:</b>	Farnborough Growth Package – Lynchford Road and Invincible Road Improvements
<b>Report From:</b>	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. Conflicts of interest:**

- 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.

**Approved by:**

**Date:**

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**15 January 2019**

**Executive Member for Environment and Transport  
Councillor Rob Humby**