

# HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
<b>Date:</b>	23 April 2019
<b>Title:</b>	Cranborne Chase, North Wessex Downs and Chichester Harbour Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Management Plans 2019-24.
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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### 1. The decision:

- 1.1 That approval is given for the adoption of the 2019-24 Management Plans for the Cranborne Chase, North Wessex Downs, and Chichester Harbour Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), and the documents are published in accordance with the requirements of Section 89 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act, 2000.

### 2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1 To ensure that Hampshire County Council meets its legal obligations under the Countryside and Rights of Way (CRoW) Act 2000 (obligations which are also incumbent on the other relevant authorities for each of the AONBs). This entails formal approval of amendments arising from the review of the AONB management plans
- 2.2 To enable Hampshire Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Partnerships to draw-down significant external match funding to support AONB core and project activities in Hampshire and across the AONBs.
- 2.3 To help deliver Hampshire County Council's Strategic Plan aims that 'People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment' and 'People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities'.

### 3 Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1 Option 1: Do not approve the AONB Management Plans. Rejected as the Management Plans are considered fit for their purpose as written and pursuing further changes with the agreement of the partnership boards is not considered necessary.
- 3.2 Option 2: Further substantive amendment of the AONB Management Plans. Rejected, as substantive amendments are not required by Natural England

and with the modifications recommended by officers and the wider partnerships, the Management Plans are considered fit for purpose.

**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:**

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**23 April 2019**

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