

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1 Do Minimum – To be only reactive to the emergence of the LEP Business Plans in November 2022 without any engagement to shape LEP functions and programmes, and no proactive moves to prepare for future devolution and consequent integration of LEP functions. This option would then rely on the LEPs to reflect any emerging national or Hampshire policy and/or devolution models in their plans going forward. This option was rejected as being not as beneficial.

4. Conflicts of interest:

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

Councillors Chadd and Heron declared a personal interest by virtue of being members of the Enterprise M3 LEP and the Solent LEP respectively.

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:

19 July 2022

**Chairman of Cabinet
Councillor Rob Humby**