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Executive Decision Records

Please find set out below a number of Executive Decisions taken at the HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL Executive Lead Member for Universal Services Decision Day & Executive Member for Countryside and Regulatory Services Decision Day held at the Castle, Winchester on Monday, 23rd January, 2023

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Date:	23 January 2023
Title:	Procurement of the contract for the installation and maintenance of traffic signals and associated equipment 2024 – 2029
Report From:	Director of Universal Services

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services gives authority to procure, spend and enter into contractual arrangements for the installation and maintenance of traffic signals and associated equipment for a four-year nine month term, with an estimated value of up to £14million, in consultation with the Assistant Director of Legal Services.
- 1.2. That the Director of Universal Services be given delegated authority to agree minor variations to the contract, in consultation with the Assistant Director of Legal Services.

2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. The current contract for the installation and maintenance of traffic signals and associated equipment was awarded to Siemens Mobility – Traffic Solutions (now Yunex Limited) in July 2016 following competitive tender. The contract was for an initial period of five years to July 2021, with provision to extend the contract annually up to a maximum of three years to July 2024. Each extension was awarded as there were no performance issues and it was considered that the costs of the contract were less than would be achieved in an open tender such that extending the contract represented good value for money. The contract cannot be extended beyond July 2024, and a decision is needed now to re-tender the service.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. It would be technically feasible to transfer the service activities to the Hampshire Highways Service Contract (HHSC). This option is rejected as the efficiencies derived from closer alignment of related construction activities are outweighed by the costs of integrating the other service activities at this time. It is considered that the specialist scope of the ITS contract would result in the service being subcontracted at this time, resulting in an additional management

fee with no offsetting cost or efficiency saving. The duration of the new contract for the installation and maintenance of traffic signals and associated equipment will be set to coincide with the re-tender of the HHSC in 2029 to explore the opportunity to seek contract efficiencies.

- 3.2. It would be possible to retender the contract over a different duration for a longer or shorter contract. This option was rejected, as the current proposed timescales preserve the option to achieve contract efficiencies as part of the HHSC re-tender, as alluded above.
- 3.3. The current contract is predominantly an attend and repair 'pay-as-you-go' system where the client determines the work required and priority of an activity and raises separate tasks orders, reimbursing the contractor for time and materials. Alternative contract models exist for delivering the services including a lump sum for more or all service activities. Lump sum contracts specify the service required and transfer more risk to the contractor but may result in higher and avoidable costs to the client. More recently new availability types of contracts have emerged where the contractor has more freedom to plan activity. The cost of risk is likely to be lower than lump sum arrangements as the contractor has the ability to manage operations to limit exposure provided the availability criteria are met but would not necessarily generate savings and would require additional staff, increasing revenue costs. Investment in IT, needed for contract monitoring and billing, would also be large, with no guaranteed revenue savings. It is recommended that the existing 'pay-as-you-go' system be retained as this offers more control over costs, increasing deliverability of savings now and in the future.

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: ----- Executive Lead Member for Universal Services Councillor Nick Adams-King	Date: 23 January 2023
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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Date:	23 January 2023
Title:	Highway Network Recovery Strategy - Update for 2023/24
Report From:	Director of Universal Services

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1. The decision:

- 1.1 That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services notes the continued inflationary pressures affecting the highways service and approves an extension of the revised funding approach outlined in the report to the Executive Lead Member for Economy, Transport and Environment in May 2022 entitled 'The Impact of the Inflationary Pressures on the Delivery of the Highway Maintenance Service'.
- 1.2 That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services approves the re-direction of up to £2.5million of revenue funding from the additional £7million to cover additional costs anticipated in delivering the planned 23/24 Structural Maintenance Programme.
- 1.3 That, in light of an expected significant increase in contract prices for 2023/24, the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services agrees to a temporary reprioritisation of spend and a managed scaling back of the planned structural maintenance programme in order to ensure that the highest priority needs across the highway network can continue to be met.
- 1.4 That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services agrees to delay the full implementation of the Network Recovery Strategy, approved by the Executive Lead Member for Economy, Transport, and Environment in March 2022, to at least 2024/25, subject to a further review by the Director of Universal Services, in consultation with the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services, in Autumn 2023.

2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1 Due to continuing financial volatility across the construction sector, high inflation and an anticipated significant increase in 2023/24 contract prices, it is unlikely that the proposed spending plan outlined in the Highway Network Recovery Strategy, approved by the Lead Executive Member in March 2022, can be fully implemented for the 2023/24 financial year as planned. A proportion of the additional £7million annual revenue funding for highways

maintenance will, again, be needed to cover rising costs. Approval is sought to revise the spending approach for highways maintenance in the 2023/24 financial year to ensure the funding available can be allocated and spent in the most cost-effective way.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. That the funding commitments outlined in the Highway Network Recovery Strategy are maintained and the increased costs due to inflation are absorbed from core highways maintenance budgets. This option was rejected as it will result in a significant reduction in work delivered on the ground, increasing the County Council's exposure to risk and liability.
- 3.2. The structural maintenance programme is fully implemented and delivered, despite these work types experiencing the highest levels of inflation for the highways service – anticipated to be circa 29% for 2023/24. This programme accounts for a significant proportion of the highways budget, and the additional inflationary costs would either need to be absorbed by the additional £7million funding or by reducing other critical highway maintenance services. This has been rejected as it would not demonstrate best value from the limited resources available and would require most, if not all, of the additional £7million to cover the additional costs.

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:

23 January 2023

**Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Councillor Nick Adams-King**

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Date:	23 January 2023
Title:	ETE Capital Programme Quarter 3 2022/23
Report From:	Director of Universal Services

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services notes the latest progress in the delivery of the Transport and Environment capital programme in 2022/23.

2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. Significant work is being undertaken within the directorate to ensure the efficient progress of the Transport and Environment capital programme.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. None.

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:

Approved by:

Date:

23 January 2023

**Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Councillor Nick Adams-King**

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Date:	23 January 2023
Title:	Universal Services Capital Programme 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26
Report From:	Director of Universal Services and Director of Corporate Operations

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services recommends that the Cabinet and County Council approve the capital programme for 2023/24 and the provisional 2024/25 and 2025/26 capital programmes totalling £378.257m (£246.232m for the former ETE Department and £132.025m for the former CCBS Department), as set out in Annexes 1 and 2.
- 1.2. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services approves the carry forward of resources of £39.233million from 2022/23 to 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 respectively as set out in Annex 2 paragraph 29.
- 1.3. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services approves the overall changes in the LTP Integrated Transport allocation set out in Annex 1 paragraph 64.
- 1.4. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services recommends approval to the Leader and Cabinet of the revised capital programmes cash limit for 2022/23 totalling £199.281m (£130.580m for the former ETE Department as set out in Annex 1 Appendix 3 and £68.701m for the former CCBS Department as set out in Annex 2 Appendix 2).
- 1.5. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services delegates authority to the Director of Universal Services, in consultation with the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services, to make minor amendments to the split of funding across sub-programmes within the Structural Maintenance programme as set out in Annex 1.
- 1.6. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services approves the increase in the capital programme value of the Old Lynchford Road Active Travel scheme

from £0.676million to £1.187million with the £0.511million increase to be funded by LTP (Annex 1).

- 1.7. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services recommends to Cabinet and County Council that the increase in the value of the two following School Condition Allocation (SCA) schemes be approved: Springwood Junior patent glazing upgrade scheme to be increased by £1.165million (scheme total now £1.785million) and Hiltingbury Junior SCOLA recladding scheme to be increased by £2.265 million (scheme total now £3.811million) and (Annex 2).
- 1.8. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services approves the following four increases in the value of SCA SCOLA recladding schemes: Hart Plain Junior £0.699million (scheme total now £1.573million); Crookhorn College £0.629million (scheme total now £2.027million); Henry Beaufort £0.641million (scheme total now £2.097million) and Cranbourne School £0.710million (scheme total now £2.516million) (Annex 2).
- 1.9. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services recommends to Cabinet and County Council to increase the value of, and the expenditure approvals for, the Uplands Development Infrastructure (UDI) project by £3.837million (scheme total now £32.326million), to be funded from the Capital Inflation Risk Reserve established by Cabinet in December 2022 (Annex 2).

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. This report sets out the proposed three-year capital programmes for Universal Services in order that, subject to approval by the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services, the proposals can be recommended to Cabinet for inclusion in the County Council's 2023/24 to 2025/26 capital programme.
- 2.2. The current scheme value for the Old Lynchford Road Active Travel scheme does not accurately reflect current market conditions and owing to prolonged high inflationary factors over recent months, there has been an overall increase to the value of the scheme.
- 2.3. The current scheme values for the School Condition Allocation SCOLA recladding schemes for Hiltingbury Junior, Hart Plain Junior, Crookhorn College, Henry Beaufort and Cranbourne School; and the Springwood Junior patent glazing upgrade do not accurately reflect current inflationary pressures and revised scopes on some projects.
- 2.4. The current scheme value and expenditure approvals for the Uplands Development Infrastructure project do not cover additional cost pressures arising from inflation, a change in design standards and a significant extension to the construction programme.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. To not seek authority to amend the capital programme. This option was rejected on the basis that it would not protect the financial resilience of the schemes.

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:

Approved by:

Date:

23 January 2023

**Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Councillor Nick Adams-King**

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Date:	23 January 2023
Title:	2023/24 Revenue Budget Report for Universal Services
Report From:	Director of Universal Services and Director of Corporate Operations

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1. The decision:

To approve for submission to the Leader and the Cabinet:

- 1.1. The revised revenue budget for 2022/23 as set out in Appendix 1.
- 1.2. The summary revenue budget for 2023/24 as set out in Appendix 1

2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. The County Council is required to agree its budget and set the council tax for 2023/24 at its meeting on 23 February 2023. The Cabinet agreed provisional cash limits for each Department at its meeting on 13 December 2022 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 2023/24 and future years have been developed in keeping with the County Council's priorities.

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:

Approved by:

Date:

23 January 2023

Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Councillor Nick Adams-King

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Date:	23 January 2023
Title:	Parish Lengthsman Service
Report From:	Director of Universal Services

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services approves the removal of the current funding provision for the Parish Lengthsman Service, to secure recurring financial savings in line with agreed SP23 Proposals, amounting to £200,000.
- 1.2. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services agrees to an alternative funding proposal, whereby external funding is provided through the current Hampshire Highways Services Contract (HHSC) with Milestone Infrastructure, to enable the service to be delivered in 2023/24.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. The County Council and Parish Councils both greatly value the role of the Parish Lengthsman Scheme in undertaking permitted works in support of Hampshire's highway network.
- 2.2. The activities undertaken by Parish Lengthsmen are non-statutory; however, they add considerable value to the wider Highways Maintenance activities undertaken by the County Council on a countywide basis.
- 2.3. It is necessary to end the current funding provision, so as to secure recurring financial savings in line with agreed SP23 Proposals. However, the alternative funding proposal for 2023/24 will ensure the service can continue to deliver value to the Highways network.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. The County Council could withdraw the current funding provision and not seek alternative funding arrangements for 2023/24. In this scenario, the parish Lengthsman service would either have to cease, or be funded at a local level by Parish Councils (for example, by raising local precepts, or seeking local sponsorship).

3.2. However, due to the value the Parish Lengthsman service offers at a local level, and due to the opportunity to fund the service in 2023/24 via the HHSC, this option was rejected.

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: ----- Executive Lead Member for Universal Services Councillor Nick Adams-King	Date: 23 January 2023
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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Date of Decision:	23 January 2023
Decision Title:	Appointments to Outside Bodies, Statutory Joint Committees, Panels and Partnership Boards
Report From:	Director of People and Organisation

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1. The Decision:

a) In accordance with Part 1: Chapter 12 of the Constitution, that the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services be requested to make an appointment to Partnership Boards as detailed below. The term of office until County Council elections in May 2025 unless otherwise stated:

Name of Body	Description	Previous	Proposed Appointment(s) until May 2025
Project Integra Strategic Board (1 + 1 deputy)	A partnership body consisting of all local authorities in Hampshire to deal with waste management in the county.	Jan Warwick Edward Heron (deputy)	Nick Adams-King Roz Chadd (deputy)
Solent Transport (1 + 1 deputy)	Solent Transport provides leadership, strategy and direction which helps deliver transport improvements supporting the sustainable development of the Solent area	Edward Heron Jan Warwick (deputy)	Nick Adams-King Russell Oppenheimer (deputy)

2. Reason for the decision:

2.1. To maintain County Council representation on bodies within the community.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. Not to make appointments, which would cease County Council representation.

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:

<p>Approved by:</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Executive Lead Member for Universal Services</p>	<p>Date: 23 January 2023</p>
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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Date:	23 January 2023
Title:	Chief Officer Delegations Register
Report From:	Director of Universal Services

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1. The decision:

- 1.1 That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services approves the list of **ongoing** delegations in Appendix 1 to the report and confirms that these are delegated to the Director of Universal Services.
- 1.2 That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services approves the list of **time limited** delegations in Appendix 2 to the report and confirms that these are delegated to the Director of Universal Services.

2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. Following organisational restructure and changes to the remit of Executive Member and Chief Officer posts, it is necessary to ensure that previous delegations made by Executive Members within the past five years continue to be valid and supported going forward in the new structure.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1 To not confirm ongoing and time limited delegations, which might lead to uncertainty and potentially impact the running of the County Council and work with other organisations and partners.

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:

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

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

23 January 2023

**Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
Councillor Nick Adams-King**

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Countryside and Regulatory Services
Date:	23 January 2023
Title:	Chief Officer Delegations Register
Report From:	Director of Universal Services

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1. The decision:

1.1 That the Executive Member for Countryside and Regulatory Services approves the list of **ongoing** delegations in Appendix 1 to the report and confirms that these are delegated to the Director of Universal Services.

2. Reason for the decision:

2.1. Following organisational restructure and changes to the remit of Executive Member and Chief Officer posts, it is necessary to ensure that previous delegations made by Executive Members within the past five years continue to be valid and supported going forward in the new structure.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1 To not confirm ongoing and time limited delegations, which might lead to uncertainty and potentially impact the running of the County Council and work with other organisations and partners.

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:

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

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

23 January 2023

**Executive Member for Countryside and Regulatory
Services
Councillor Russell Oppenheimer**

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Countryside and Regulatory Services
Date:	23 January 2023
Title:	Property Services Asset Decisions
Report From:	Director of Universal Services
(Summary of an Exempt Decision)	

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1. The Decisions:

- 1.1 That the proposed transactions shown in the schedule be approved.
- 1.2 That the Director, Culture, Communities and Business Services, be authorised to settle the detailed terms and conditions.

2. Reasons for the Decisions:

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval to a series of proposed transactions which will ensure efficient and effective use of the County Council's property assets.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1 Not Applicable

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:

- 5.1 None

6. Any reasons for the matter being dealt with if urgent:

6.1 Not applicable

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

23 January 2023

Councillor Russell Oppenheimer
Executive Member for Countryside and Regulatory
Services