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AT A MEETING of the Cabinet of HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL held at the Castle, Winchester on Tuesday, 9th February, 2021

Chairman:

\* Councillor Keith Mans

\* Councillor Rob Humby  
\* Councillor Roz Chadd  
\* Councillor Liz Fairhurst  
\* Councillor Judith Grajewski

\* Councillor Edward Heron  
\* Councillor Andrew Joy  
\* Councillor Stephen Reid  
\* Councillor Patricia Stallard

## Co-opted members

Also present with the agreement of the Chairman:

### 224. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

All Members were present and no apologies were noted

### 225. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter considered at the meeting they must declare that interest at the time of the relevant debate and, having regard to the circumstances described in Part 3, Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Personal interest in a matter being considered at the meeting they considered whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 5 of the Code, considered whether it was appropriate to leave the meeting whilst the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

### 226. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and agreed.

### 227. **DEPUTATIONS**

No deputation requests had been received.

### 228. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Recognising that the pandemic was not over, the Chairman welcomed the progress that was being made with the roll out of a vaccine across the country. The financial strain of responding to the crisis was highlighted in the context of the budget items later on the agenda and the Chairman noted that the County Council's resilience had been possible thanks to its reserves strategy.

### 229. **A PROGRESS REPORT OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL'S RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 CRISIS**

Cabinet considered a report of the Chief Executive setting out progress on the County Council's response to the Covid-19 crisis.

In introducing the report, the high levels of activity since the previous update were highlighted, particularly with regards to the re-introduction of a national lockdown and the roll out of the vaccine. Changes in the County Council's emergency planning team were drawn to Members' attention and Ian Hoult, the retiring head of emergency planning was thanked for his long service and contribution. The Government's intention to proceed with local elections in May 2021 were noted and it was confirmed that the preparations for the elections had been drawn into Gold command to ensure their safety and success. Members heard that schools were working very hard on remote learning and the ongoing high quality of work by County Council staff was recognised.

The Director of Public Health updated Cabinet on the position in Hampshire, noting that the County was seeing a general fall in the rate of infection, which was in line with the South East average and younger people and the over 80s were most likely to be affected. Developments in the track and trace programme were highlighted and it was confirmed that there had been a strong take up of the vaccine by the over 80s and over 70s. The County Council was working in partnership with the NHS to deliver the vaccine, with the aim of preventing illness and mortality.

Cabinet welcomed the report and the Leader confirmed that he had recently written to all County Council staff thanking them for their hard work over the crisis. The challenges that many people were facing were recognised.

The recommendations set out in the report were considered and agreed. A decision record is attached to these minutes.

**230. REVENUE BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2021/22**

Cabinet considered the report of the Director of Corporate Resources regarding the revenue budget and precept 2021/22.

With the agreement of the Chairman, Councillor House addressed Cabinet, paying tribute to all public sector staff through the pandemic. He highlighted that the Council's accounts were not initially signed off by the auditors, that the estimated cost impact of Covid had been revised and pointing out that the Council was not financially viable in the medium term, asked for details of how financial sustainability would be achieved.

With the agreement of the Chairman, Councillor Porter addressed Cabinet, also noting her appreciation of the work of Council staff. The presentation of figures in the budget report was queried and Councillor Porter questioned the support for access to high performance broadband and for IT equipment for children. She also noted the financial pressure on schools relating to dedicated schools grant (DSG) deficit and the impact of changes to home to school transport provision.

The Director of Corporate Resources clarified the presentation of the figures relating to the precept proposals. She confirmed that £1million to support

broadband remained in the capital budget and noted that the school DSG deficit issue was a national problem, which the County Council was not allowed to subsidise. It was confirmed that work was underway with the transport sector with regards home to school transport.

In introduction to the report, the impact of the Covid pandemic was highlighted and it was confirmed that an almost balanced position had been achieved. The medium term presented a more significant challenge, although the shortfall had reduced from £210million to £88million, the shifting nature of crisis made projecting figures difficult. The projected shortfall was a risk to financial sustainability in the medium term and the uncertainty in this area was exacerbated by the lack of a medium term financial settlement or stability of funding of social care from government. Recommendations on the council tax precept, the level of support received from government, changes to the Members' devolved budgets, support for climate change initiatives, the reserves strategy and treasury management were highlighted to Members.

Cabinet welcomed the report and noted that although auditors had sought more information on the accounts leading to a delay, they had been given an unqualified sign-off. It was agreed that balancing the budget to within £3.8million had been a remarkable achievement and hoped that in the future a three year rolling settlement would be forthcoming from government to provide stability in medium term planning. Members recognised the benefit of a prudent reserves strategy to allow budget pressures to be met and noted that in the future the reserves would need to be replenished. The changes to the Members' devolved grant budgets were welcomed.

The recommendations set out in the report were considered and agreed. A decision record is attached to these minutes.

**231. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2021/22 TO 2023/24**

Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Corporate Resources regarding the capital programme 2021/22 to 2023/24.

The report was introduced with reference to a number of significant areas of capital investment, as well as to the recent success of bids for funding to support decarbonisation. Members praised the Council's ability to take advantage of grant funding opportunities and highlighted the scale of the capital programme, in particular the investment in schools and education.

The recommendations set out in the report were considered and agreed. A decision record is attached to these minutes.

**232. 2020 REVIEW OF THE HAMPSHIRE MINERALS & WASTE PLAN AND REVISED DEVELOPMENT SCHEME**

Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment regarding the 2020 Review of the Hampshire Minerals & Waste Plan and revised Development Scheme.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Porter addressed Cabinet, welcoming the development of the Plan and requesting that policies on oil

extraction, good neighbour criteria for aggregate sites and carbon emissions be considered as part of the review.

The context of the process of reviewing the Plan with partners was set out and it was noted that a partial update was required to ensure consistency with national policy and the County Council's policy framework. All partners would need to agree the proposals to take forward and a funding agreement was in place to share the costs of the review.

Members recognised that making sound planning decisions relied on working in partnership and noted that discussions so far had been positive.

The recommendations set out in the report were considered and agreed. A decision record is attached to these minutes.

**233. CLIMATE CHANGE WORK PROGRAMME 2021-2025**

Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment setting out the climate change work programme.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Warwick addressed Cabinet, welcoming the report and highlighting the importance of community engagement and the success of the stakeholder event in December.

The main areas in the report were drawn to Members' attention, including updates on the strategic framework, community projects, the position of the programme's budget, the development of climate change impact assessment tools, website development and e-learning tools for staff.

Members welcomed the update and recognised the importance of working with the community and other partners to pro-actively work towards the targets that had been set.

The recommendations set out in the report were considered and agreed. A decision record is attached to these minutes.

**234. THE COUNTY COUNCIL'S INTERNAL CARBON REDUCTION PROGRAMME**

Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services regarding the County Council's internal carbon reduction programme.

The internal challenge for the County Council was presented with reference to the report and key successes highlighted, including a move to a carbon neutral energy supply and work to influence suppliers. It was confirmed that methodologies to measure carbon emissions were being worked on with the climate change team. Members recognised the importance of the County Council demonstrating leadership in this area.

The recommendations set out in the report were considered and agreed. A decision record is attached to these minutes.

**235. SCHOOL STREETS**

Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment regarding the school streets pilot project.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Porter addressed Cabinet, welcoming the development of the pilot project and posing questions about the schools that had been selected.

The report was introduced and it was clarified how the criteria for school participation had been developed. Members noted that the aim of the project was to change travel behaviour and improve air quality around schools. It would be implemented by volunteers and the schools were keen to be involved. Volunteers would be appropriately trained and it was confirmed that there would also be wider community engagement, including consultation with the police as part of the traffic regulation order process. It was acknowledged that this pilot was funded from the active travel plan and any longer term implementation or further roll out of school streets would need to be budgeted for. It was agreed that an update would be brought back to Cabinet following the pilot.

The recommendations set out in the report were considered and agreed. A decision record is attached to these minutes.

**236. WELBORNE, M27 JUNCTION 10 - PROJECT REVIEW**

[Councillor Grajewski declared a personal interest as a Solent LEP Board Member]

Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment regarding the Welborne, M27 Junction 10 project review.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor House addressed Cabinet, highlighting the benefits that the County Council could bring on strategic issues. He welcomed the addendum to the report and the revised recommendations and expressed hope that progress towards a satisfactory funding and scheme delivery solution could be made.

Members heard details of the background and progress of the scheme, recognising that the County Council had been working with all parties to take the scheme forward. The importance of the scheme to the local area was acknowledged and the long term support for it by the County Council was welcomed. With reference to wider service obligations and financial pressures, as well as the inherent risks in undertaking major highway development works on the strategic road network managed by Highways England, it was agreed that the County Council could not become financially liable for the scheme. The contents of the addendum and the revised recommendations were noted and supported.

The revised recommendations set out in the addendum to the report were considered and agreed. A decision record is attached to these minutes.

**237. SERVING HAMPSHIRE - 2020/21 HALF YEAR PERFORMANCE REPORT**

Cabinet considered a report of the Chief Executive presenting the Serving Hampshire – 2020/21 half year performance report.

The report was introduced and key areas of highlighted to Members, who noted that performance had remained high despite the pressures of Covid and EU Exit. Staff were congratulated for this achievement in difficult circumstances.

The determination of the LGSCO was highlighted to and acknowledged by Cabinet. It was confirmed that all actions in the determination had been completed.

The recommendations set out in the report were considered and agreed. A decision record is attached to these minutes.

238. **CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS**

Cabinet considered a report of the Chief Executive setting out a number of proposed constitutional updates, the nature and context of which were detailed with reference to the report.

The recommendations set out in the report were considered and agreed. A decision record is attached to these minutes.

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Chairman,

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date:</b>	9 February 2021
<b>Title:</b>	A Progress Report of The County Council's Response to the COVID-19 Crisis
<b>Report From:</b>	Chief Executive

**Contact name:** John Coughlan, Chief Executive

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#### 1. The decision:

That Cabinet

1.1 Note the contents of this report as a further summary of the exceptional events and responses by the County Council concerning the COVID-19 crisis, bearing in mind that this can only be a top-level assessment of what continues to be such a substantial and fast changing set of responses.

1.2 Note the consideration of the impact of and response to the changes in national restrictions including the additional tiers of restrictions prior to Christmas and the introduction of full lockdown measures immediately after Christmas.

1.3 Note the progress of the vaccination programme to date in Hampshire including its impact on Hampshire services and the County Council's support role.

1.4 Continue to recognise the on-going exceptional commitment and flexibility of the staff of the County Council as the crisis has progressed.

#### 2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1 To note the ongoing response to the Covid 19 crisis and recognise the exceptional efforts of all involved.

#### 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:**

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Chairman of Cabinet  
Councillor Keith Mans



## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date:</b>	9 February 2021
<b>Title:</b>	Revenue Budget and Precept 2021/22
<b>Report From:</b>	Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources

**Contact name:** Carolyn Williamson

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#### 1. The decision:

That Cabinet

- 1.1. Notes the current position in respect of the financial resilience monitoring for the current financial year.
- 1.2. Approves that £1.2m of existing corporate funding in 2022/23 is brought forward to 2021/22 to support resourcing within the Transformation Practice focussing additional resources necessary in support of Transformation to 2021.
- 1.3. Approves the Revised Budget for 2020/21 contained in Appendix 1.
- 1.4. Approves the updated cash limits for departments for 2021/22 as set out in Appendix 4.
- 1.5. Delegates authority to the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources, following consultation with the Leader and the Chief Executive to make changes to the budget following Cabinet to take account of new issues, changes to figures notified by District Councils or any late changes in the final Local Government Finance Settlement.

That Cabinet recommends to County Council that:

- 1.6. The Treasurer's report under Section 25 of the Local Government Act 2003 (Appendix 8) be taken into account when the Council determines the budget and precept for 2021/22.
- 1.7. The Revised Budget for 2020/21 set out in Appendix 1 be approved.
- 1.8. The Revenue Budget for 2021/22 (as set out in Appendix 5 and Appendix 6) be approved.
- 1.9. Funding for one-off revenue priorities totalling £11.6m as set out in paragraphs 113 to 128 be approved.
- 1.10. The re-alignment of grant budgets as set out in paragraphs 135 to 141 be approved.
- 1.11. The council tax requirement for the County Council for the year beginning 1 April 2021, be £707,046,869.

1.12. The County Council's band D council tax for the year beginning 1 April 2021 be £1,350.45, an increase of 4.99%, of which 3% is specifically for adults' social care.

1.13. The County Council's council tax for the year beginning 1 April 2021 for properties in each tax band be:

	£
Band A	900.30
Band B	1,050.35
Band C	1,200.40
Band D	1,350.45
Band E	1,650.55
Band F	1,950.65
Band G	2,250.75
Band H	2,700.90

1.14. Precepts be issued totalling £707,046,869 on the billing authorities in Hampshire, requiring the payment in such instalments and on such date set by them previously notified to the County Council, in proportion to the tax base of each billing authority's area as determined by them and as set out below:

Basingstoke and Deane	66,627.60
East Hampshire	51,407.07
Eastleigh	47,774.37
Fareham	43,804.50
Gosport	27,182.90
Hart	41,055.21
Havant	41,448.02
New Forest	71,538.70
Rushmoor	32,060.06
Test Valley	49,855.00
Winchester	50,810.47

1.15. The Capital & Investment Strategy for 2021/22 (and the remainder of 2020/21) as set out in Appendix 9 be approved.

1.16. The Treasury Management Strategy for 2021/22 (and the remainder of 2020/21) as set out in Appendix 10 be approved.

1.17. An increase to the allocation targeting higher yields from £235m to £250m (as set out in the Treasury Management Strategy in Appendix 10) partly to reflect the investments taken out on behalf of Thames Basin Heath and to provide extra

flexibility given the added risk of negative interest rates at the short term end of the market be approved.

1.18. Authority is delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources to manage the County Council's investments and borrowing according to the Treasury Management Strategy Statement as appropriate.

**2. Reasons for the decision:**

2.1. The County Council must agree the 2021/22 budget and set the council tax for 2021/22 at its meeting on 25 February 2021. The Leader will present his budget speech and recommendations at the meeting. This report provides the background to those budget decisions and presents the recommendations from the Leader and Cabinet to the County Council.

**3. Other options considered and rejected:**

3.1. In effect the number of options for setting the budget are limitless and Leaders of the Opposition Groups may wish to present alternative recommendations on the budget and council tax at County Council as an amendment to the proposals.

**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:**

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**Chairman of Cabinet  
Councillor Keith Mans**

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## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date:</b>	9 February 2021
<b>Title:</b>	Capital Programme 2021/22 to 2023/24
<b>Report From:</b>	Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources

**Contact name:** Carolyn Williamson

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#### 1. The decision:

- 1.1. To recommend to County Council that the capital programme for 2021/22 and the provisional programmes for 2022/23 and 2023/24 as set out in Appendix 1 be approved.
- 1.2. To recommend County Council approval for an increase in the value of the Stubbington Bypass scheme from £34.495 million to the value of £39.295 million, noting that the increase of £2 million associated with the impact of Covid-19 is to be funded from the allocation previously approved for that purpose by the County Council in July 2020, with the balance to be funded from a mix of Section 106 developer contributions and local resources.
- 1.3. To recommend County Council approval to add further decarbonisation schemes up to the value of £5.64 million to the CCBS capital programme for 2020/21 funded by grants from the Public Sector Decarbonisation Fund.
- 1.4. That, subject to County Council approval to add the decarbonisation schemes to the 2020/21 capital programme, Cabinet give approval to spend in line with the project appraisals in Appendix 2, totalling £2.812 million, for the transition from oil to gas schemes within the schools and corporate estates.
- 1.5. That authority is delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources to allocate as appropriate the remaining balance of £1.49 million from the approved capital underwriting of up to £5 million to enable existing schemes to continue where there are increased costs resulting from Covid-19.
- 1.6. That, within the 2020/21 capital programme, an increased value of £757,250 is approved, for addition to the existing named scheme for Testbourne school in

2020/21, the additional cost relates to the impact of Covid-19 and is funded from the Schools Condition Allocation grant (scheme total now £3.26 million).

**2. Reasons for the decision:**

2.1. The County Council must agree its capital programme at its meeting on 25 February 2021. The Leader will present his budget speech and recommendations at the meeting. This report provides the background to those budget decisions and presents the recommendations from the Leader and Cabinet to the County Council.

**3. Other options considered and rejected:**

3.1. Other options are not available as far as process and timetable are concerned, but the Leader of the Opposition may wish to present alternative recommendations on the capital programme at County Council, as an amendment to these proposals.

**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:**

<b>Approved by:</b>  -----  <b>Chairman of Cabinet Councillor Keith Mans</b>	<b>Date:</b>  <b>9 February 2021</b>
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## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date:</b>	9 February 2021
<b>Title:</b>	2020 Review of the Hampshire Minerals & Waste Plan and revised Development Scheme
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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#### 1. The decision:

- 1.1. That Cabinet approves the conclusions of the 2020 Review of the Hampshire Minerals & Waste Plan as set out in the report and recommends that County Council endorses this and also approves its publication following agreement by the plan-making Authorities.
- 1.2. That Cabinet recommends that County Council resolves that the Hampshire Minerals & Waste Development Scheme which sets out the timetable and programme for the partial update of the Hampshire Minerals & Waste Plan comes into effect from March 2021, and authorises the work required to undertake this, subject to agreement by the plan-making partner Authorities.

#### 2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. The National Planning Policy Framework (2018) requires that Local Plans should be reviewed to assess whether they require updating at least once every five years<sup>1</sup>. The Hampshire Minerals & Waste Plan (the 'Plan') was adopted in October 2013.
- 2.2. A Review was undertaken in 2018 based on the data obtained through the annual Monitoring Reports. The 2018 Review concluded that an update of the Plan was not required at that time. However, the 2018 Review also concluded that some of the issues should be kept under review and a commitment was made to undertake a Workshop to explore the issues and a further review of the Plan in 2020.

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<sup>1</sup> National Planning Policy Framework (Para. 33) - [https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/810197/NPPF\\_Feb\\_2019\\_revised.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/810197/NPPF_Feb_2019_revised.pdf)

- 2.3. The 2020 Review of the Hampshire Minerals & Waste Plan (see Appendix 1) uses monitoring data but also takes into account the guidance issued by the Planning Advisory Service in 2019 on undertaking reviews of Local Plans.
- 2.4. The 2020 Review recommends that a partial update of the HMWP is undertaken to ensure compliance with national policy but also to ensure that the Plan is delivering a steady and adequate supply of minerals and enabling sustainable waste management provision.
- 2.5. In addition, the Review recommends that the Vision, Plan Objectives, Spatial Strategy and Key Diagram are further reviewed to ensure that all requirements of the Plan are delivered but also that the Vision aligns with the Hampshire 2050, Vision for the Future, Commission of Inquiry recommendations and the climate change agenda.
- 2.6. To support the Plan update, the Review recommends that an assessment of mineral and waste site options is undertaken to ensure any suitable sites for enabling sustainable minerals and waste development are included in the Plan helping provide certainty to the industry and local communities.
- 2.7. The Hampshire Minerals & Waste Development Scheme sets out the timetable and programme for plan-making including when public consultation will take place.
- 2.8. The Development Scheme forms part of the Development Plan, alongside the Hampshire Minerals & Waste Plan. Hampshire County Council and the partner Authorities have a duty to keep the Development Scheme under review. An update to the Development Scheme is now required based on the proposed partial update to the Hampshire Minerals & Waste Plan. The new Development Scheme (see Appendix 2) must be approved by full Council.

### **3. Other options considered and rejected:**

- 3.1. Completion of the 2020 Review was a fulfilment of a commitment made by Full Council on the 13 November 2018. Plan reviews are also a requirement of the National Planning Policy Framework and therefore, the option to not complete the 2020 Review was rejected.
- 3.2. The option to disregard the conclusions of the 2020 Review was also rejected as parts of the Plan are not in compliance with national policy and require updating. An out-of-date plan makes it difficult to influence the location and type of development. This could result in planning applications for minerals and waste development being submitted and decided on an ad-hoc / 'first come' basis which would create lack of certainty for local communities and industry to where development could take place. A consequence of this could be that development may be permitted at sites which have greater impacts on their surroundings.
- 3.3. The option to postpone acting upon the conclusions of the 2020 Review was also rejected. Despite the uncertainties over the outcome of the Planning White Paper – Planning for the Future, the Chief Planner from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has stated that Local Authorities should not stall on preparing their Plans and should continue to be



proactive. It is expected that the programme for the partial Plan update will be within any transition period for changes to the planning system.

**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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## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date:</b>	9 February 2021
<b>Title:</b>	Climate Change Work Programme 2021-2025
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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#### 1. The decision:

- 1.1. That Cabinet approves the climate change work programme 2020-2025 for the key areas of the Strategic Framework as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.
- 1.2. That Cabinet approves the proposals for the allocation of the climate change budget to support the ongoing delivery of the climate change activity as set out in the accompanying report.
- 1.3. That Cabinet notes the key areas of activity since September 2020 on climate change across the organisation.

#### 2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. To uphold the commitment to implement the climate change Strategy and Action Plan following the County Council's declaration of a climate emergency in June 2019 and the approval by Cabinet of the Climate Change Strategy, Action Plan and Strategic Framework in September 2020.

#### 3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not to implement the Strategy, Action Plan and Strategic Framework following the climate emergency declaration.

#### 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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## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date:</b>	9 February 2021
<b>Title:</b>	The County Council's internal carbon reduction programme
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

**Contact name:** Colin Jackson

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#### 1. The decision:

- 1.1 That progress on the carbon reduction programme be noted, including the recent award to the County Council of £29.8m of Government funding from the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme launched by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS).
- 1.2 That Cabinet note the estimated scale of the carbon reduction and climate resilience challenges to be faced by the County Council as an organisation and support further research required to improve the accuracy of the data. A more detailed report including proposals for progressive targets in the context of a long-term strategy will be brought back for consideration in due course.
- 1.3 That Cabinet support the principle of annual reporting of the County Council's Scope 1, 2 and certain scope 3 carbon emissions in accordance with the internationally recognised Greenhouse Gas Protocol definitions.

#### 2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1 This report sets out the more comprehensive scope to be considered for the measurement of the County Council's carbon emissions, the complexities of obtaining accurate carbon data and the initial estimate of annual total organisational emissions in excess of 200,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> per year.
- 2.2 It reports on the recent successful award of £29.8m Government decarbonisation funding and the 6.8% carbon reduction impact these

initiatives, together with the recent adoption of a renewable energy tariff, are forecast to achieve against the overall total emissions over the coming year.

- 2.3 It sets out initial considerations for a long-term strategy to achieving net zero emissions over the next three decades, together with the estimated carbon sequestration equivalent that could be required.
- 2.4 Initial findings are reported on the risk exposure of the County Council estate to the potential impacts of a global average 2°C rise, including the proportion of certain sectors vulnerable to future heatwaves and flooding. Further detail on climate resilience will be reported to a future meeting.
- 2.5 The report concludes with some reflections on what the challenge of becoming a net-zero carbon organisation will mean for the County Council and the long-term thinking that will be needed across all aspects of the organisation to achieve this over the next thirty years.
- 2.6 The final section outlines the next steps for the coming year.

**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:**

<b>Approved by:</b> ----- <b>Councillor Keith Mans</b> <b>Chairman of Cabinet</b>	<b>Date:</b>  <b>9 February 2021</b>
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## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date:</b>	9 February 2021
<b>Title:</b>	School Streets
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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#### 1. The decision:

- 1.1 That the Cabinet agrees the approach set out in the report, and notes the criteria used as a basis for selecting schools for the trial.
- 1.2 That the Cabinet agrees that the shortlist of schools recommended for the trial be confirmed and the schools be formally invited to participate in the trial (either receiving the intervention or as a control school without measures).
- 1.3 That the reserve list of schools which could potentially step in should any shortlisted schools not proceed into the trial, be confirmed.
- 1.4 That the results of the trial be reported back to the Cabinet in due course.

#### 2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. To deliver a School Streets pilot project following a motion (passed) to Full Council on 24 September 2020.

#### 3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Conducting a larger scale trial – there is insufficient budget and resource to deliver this at this time.
- 3.2. Not proceeding with a trial – this would not support the Council decision.

#### 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:**

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**9 February 2021**

**Chairman of Cabinet  
Councillor Keith Mans**



## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date:</b>	9 February 2021
<b>Title:</b>	Welborne, M27 Junction 10 – Project Review
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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#### 1. The decision:

That the Cabinet agrees

- 1.1 That the County Council re-iterates its support for the Welborne Garden Village development, as a critical part of the Local Planning Authority's long term plans for the area, and the wider sub regional strategy for southern Hampshire, providing much needed homes, commercial floorspace and jobs;
- 1.2 That on the basis of the County Council's established policy and approach to involvement in the M27 Junction 10 (Welborne) Improvement Scheme the County Council is currently unable to take on the role of the Delivery Body for the M27 Junction 10 Improvement Scheme given the current high level of financial risk and uncertainty for which the Scheme Delivery Body would be responsible, should those financial risks and uncertainties be resolved to the County Councils satisfaction this can be further considered
- 1.3 To approve further scheme development work, provided full external funding is made available to enable work to be undertaken on the next stages of the scheme development process, the preparation of draft orders and a procurement strategy for early contractor involvement;
- 1.4 That unless external funding is made available by the end of March 2021, the County Council steps back from its role of Scheme Promoter following the completion of Stage 3 of the Highways England approval process, which is the only currently funded aspect of scheme development work, and
- 1.5 That on the basis of its established policy position, given the financial implications, and the terms of the funding, the County Council could not agree to sign a Housing Infrastructure Funding (HIF) agreement in relation to the Welborne development;

1.6 That the County Council should continue to explore ways in which it could use its experience, professional and technical capacity to support the delivery of the M27 Junction 10 Improvement Scheme, provided any arrangements are consistent with established County Council policy for involvement at Welborne, including in particular a stipulation that there are no financial liabilities for the County Council from involvement in the scheme and effective partnership working arrangements are in place, including with Highways England as the strategic Highway authority responsible for the M27.

## **2. Reasons for the decision:**

- 2.1. In September, the Cabinet resolved that the County Council would formally review its role as Scheme Promoter following the completion of Stage 3 of Highways England's approval process, which was expected by March 2021.
- 2.2. Fareham Borough Council has subsequently requested that the County Council formally advise whether it would be prepared to take on the role of Scheme Delivery Body, following a requirement by Homes England that the Delivery body be agreed prior to the completion of the funding agreement for the £30million Housing Infrastructure Fund prior to the end of February. Therefore, the review of the County Council's role in the scheme has been brought forward to enable a decision to be made within the timescale required by Fareham Borough Council.
- 2.3. A decision to halt work at the end of stage 3 risks losing momentum, not least through the need to disband the current project Team. Therefore, in view of the potential for additional progress to be made on addressing issues relating to managing financial risks and potential liabilities for the scheme, delivery body, it is recommended that some additional work on aspects of stage 4 and 5 tasks of the Highways England approval process should be undertaken by the County Council while the wider financial appraisal work is concluded, provided this externally funded.
- 2.4 The HIF application was made by FBC, and the grant funding arrangements revolve around the means by which grant funding is "recoverable" from returns on the development (above a pre-set level) and its reinvestment by FBC in housing, including affordable housing within Welborne Garden Village, is secured. The role of the planning /housing authority is fundamental to this process, meaning that FBC are the only body that can realistically sign the HIF agreement with HE, even if they then arrange, through a separate legal agreement, for funding, together with the grant funding obligations in relation to undertaking the highway infrastructure is to be passed to another body to deliver the highway works.

## **3. Other options considered and rejected:**

- 3.1. To not provide a formal position would mean that it would not be possible for Homes England to conclude the funding agreement for its £30m contribution towards the scheme.

**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:**

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## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date:</b>	9 February 2021
<b>Title:</b>	Constitutional Matters
<b>Report From:</b>	Chief Executive

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#### 1. The decision:

That Cabinet

- 1.1. Note the revised allocation of responsibility for Executive Functions at Appendix 1 of this report to be reported to the County Council at the County Council meeting on 25 February 2021.
- 1.2. Recommend the revised allocation of Scrutiny Functions contained at Appendix 2 of this Report for approval by the County Council, to be effective from 1 April 2021.
- 1.3. Recommend the amendments to Standing Order 12 and Executive Procedures, as indicated at Appendix 3 and 4 to this Report for approval by the County Council.
- 1.4. Recommend the amendment to Contract Standing Order 3 contained at Appendix 5 of the Report for approval by the County Council.

#### 2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. To receive changes to the allocation of Executive Functions and to recommend updates to the Constitution as set out in the report.

#### 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:**

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