

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services
Date:	19 January 2023
Title:	Community Energy South Grant Funding
Report From:	Director of Hampshire 2050 and Assistant Chief Executive

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1. The decisions:

- 1.1. That the Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services approves a grant fund award of £100,000 to Community Energy South to support further work in Hampshire for a further two years, to be allocated from the existing climate change budget.
- 1.2. That the Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services gives authority to the Director of Hampshire 2050 and Assistant Chief Executive to agree terms and enter into a grant funding agreement, in consultation with the Assistant Director of Legal Services.
- 1.3. That the Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services approves the two-year work programme to be delivered by Community Energy South, which will be funded by this grant and is set out in the paper.

2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. All grant funding over £5000 must be approved by an Executive Member.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. To not fund Community Energy South, which was rejected, as this work is a core priority for the climate change programme as set out in the Annual Report, approved by the Executive Member for Climate Change and Sustainability on 7 November 2022.
- 3.2. To fund Community Energy South through other funding mechanisms. This was rejected as grant funding is the most appropriate route for funding decisions to support a long-term relationship to enable the achievement of climate change targets.

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:

19 January 2023

**Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050
and Corporate Services
Councillor Rob Humby**