

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

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| Decision Maker: | Cabinet |
| Date: | 27 June 2011 |
| Title: | Economic Development Review |
| Reference: | 3015 |
| Report From: | Director of Economy, Transport and Environment |

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1. The decision:

- a) That the Cabinet agrees the proposed re-orientation of the Economic Development Service, and approves the overall mission statement and revised priorities, subject to the replacement of the word "Create" with "Encourage". (Section 4 of the report).
- b) That the Cabinet agrees the proposals for replacing the current Hampshire Economic Board, which functions as a Sub-Committee of the Cabinet, with an Economic Board operating as an Advisory Panel, as set out in section 5 of the report.
- c) That the Cabinet approves the proposed restructuring of the relationship and future funding for Hampshire Economic Partnership, as set out in section 6 of the report.

2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. The major changes in both the overall public sector landscape and in the field of economic development are dramatic and radical. There is now a compelling need to review the role, ambition and remit of the economic development service to ensure a fully effective contribution to the management and development of the Hampshire economy.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. To continue to follow the existing approach to economic development is an alternative option, but this would fail to recognise the changes introduced by the Coalition Government, leave the County Council providing an ineffective

service to the people of Hampshire and failing to fulfil its role in respect of strategic economic development priorities and activity.

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 Standards Committee: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

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| Approved by: | Date: |
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| Chairman of the Cabinet Councillor T K Thornber, CBE | |

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