

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Economic Development and Rural Affairs
Date:	28 June 2011
Title:	Funding for Rural Delivery Strategy projects: performance against 2010/11 and project proposals for 2011/12
Reference:	3001
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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1. The decision:

- a) That the Executive Member for Economic Development and Rural Affairs approves the projects and grant allocations as set out below from the Rural Strategy budget subject to the provision of match funding being obtained:

Project	Grant Awarded
Village Halls Advisor post	£18,000 – final grant of 3 year funding
Community Challenge Fund	£10,000
Computer Learning Centres	£12,500
Hampshire School of Social Entrepreneurs (CAH)	£7,500
Rural Areas Play Project	£7,500
Biodiversity Grants Scheme	£5,000
Community Buildings Fund	£25,000 to be used on rural projects only
Changing Places Toilets	£10,000 and a report on the usage during this pilot be submitted to the County Council
Culture in the Classroom	£3,000 and a

	report on the usage during this pilot be submitted to the County Council
Gypsies and Travellers Community Agent	£10,000 subject to match funding being identified and the submission of a business plan
Landscape Toolkit	£3,000
Miles without Stiles	£5,000
Mini Museums	£3,000
Rural Play for All	£4,000
Rural Transport Initiative Challenge Fund	£5,000
Tile Barn Climbing Tower	£1,200
Walk on the Wild Side	£12,000
TOTAL	£141,700

- b) Makes the award of grants dependent on the provision of match funding of at least equivalent value.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. This decision is being made as a follow up to the report made to Cabinet in April 2009 and in response to the priorities and actions identified in that report (Rural Delivery Action Plan for Hampshire County Council, 27 April 2009).
- 2.2. The decision is requested to enable efforts to test supportive and innovative service delivery projects within rural communities.
- 2.3. The decision is focussed upon initiatives which, if successful, should have the capacity to be mainstreamed and sustained without further pump priming investment.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not to progress any projects.
- 3.2. To progress projects with different funding levels.

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:**

Approved by:

Date:

28 June 2011

**Executive Member for Economic Development and
Rural Affairs
Councillor Dr. R. Ellis**