

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Cabinet
Date:	24 January 2011
Title:	“Open for Business”: the alignment of policy with resources
Reference:	2548
Report From:	Chief Executive

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1. The decision:

- a) That the policy review process identified in the report be approved, and
- b) That the actions defined in the report be put in hand and reported to Cabinet and County Council between January and April 2011.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. To take a strategic review of opportunities, policies and transformational issues that will develop over the life of the current political administration. The report is based on the premise that during and throughout the period of cost reduction and changes the County Council will want to review and maintain its high level of performance and also look to develop opportunities that will emerge in the local government landscape. The report is also based on a second premise that Hampshire is “open for business” notwithstanding the planned expenditure reductions.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not to align policy with resources would negatively impact the County Council’s effectiveness and performance and reduce its capacity to offer a range of services from culture, the arts, through to services for the most vulnerable in need of care and health support

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:

24 January 2011

Chairman of the Cabinet
Councillor TK Thornber, CBE