

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Executive Decision Record**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Economic Development and Rural Affairs
Date:	28 June 2012
Title:	Funding for Rural Delivery Strategy projects: performance against 2011/12 and project proposals for 2012/13
Reference:	4048
Report From:	Director of Culture Communities and Business Services Director of Economy Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- a) That the Executive Member for Economic Development and Rural Affairs:
- i. Approves projects and grant allocations set out in Appendix 2 of the report.
 - ii. Makes the award of grants dependent on the provision of match funding of at least equivalent value.
 - iii. Endorses the performance information presented and supports efforts to secure the maximum external gearing in terms of partnership project funding.
 - iv. Sets aside a contingency of an extra £10,000 for the Community Challenge Fund (making a total fund of £20,000), and an additional £20,000 for the Wessex Rural and Farming Network should it be required.
 - v. Increases to £3000 per project the normal limit of the Community Challenge Fund.
 - vi. Make a grant of £1785 to Tile Barn outdoor centre, taking the grant total to £218,012.

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