

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Policy and Resources
Date:	24 January 2013
Title:	Project Appraisal: The Square – Extension to Great Minster Street, Winchester
Reference:	4552
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- a) That the Project Appraisal for the implementation of environmental and accessibility improvements on Great Minster Street, Winchester between Symonds Street and The Square, at a cost of £300,000, be approved.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. This scheme will be an extension to the improvement scheme completed in The Square, Winchester, and will enhance the environment and accessibility in this part of the historic city centre.
- 2.2. The scheme complies with the County Council's corporate strategy of making Hampshire safer and more secure for all, as well as enhancing our quality of place and maximising well-being.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. An alternative option to close Great Minster Street to through traffic by the implementation of a gate/removable barrier at its junction with Symonds Street was considered. This would have meant that access to Great Minster Street, when the barrier was closed, would have only been possible from the Market Street end of The Square. A turning head in Great Minster Street would need to have been provided to enable vehicles access to the nearby houses/businesses to turn around and exit The Square via Market Street/Market Lane.

3.2. Local residents and businesses were consulted on that option but the proposal was not popular and was rejected, Therefore it was removed from the overall scheme design layout.

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 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:

24 January 2013

**Executive Member for Policy and Resources
Councillor T K Thornber, CBE**