

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

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| Decision Maker: | Executive Member for Policy and Resources |
| Date: | 18 April 2013 |
| Title: | Members Environment Fund Scheme |
| Reference: | 4839 |
| Report From: | Director of Economy, Transport and Environment |

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1. The decision:

- a) That approval be given to allocate additional resources from the Corporate Policy Reserve of £195,000 per annum to the Economy, Transport and Environment cash limit from 2013/14 on an ongoing basis to support scheme development, including feasibility, design, and consultation for the period of operation of the Members Environment Fund.
- b) That the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment be asked to explore what opportunities existed to create flexibility in the scheme and report back to Members.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. To enable the effective establishment and efficient operation of the new Members Environment Fund Programme through the deployment of a dedicated support team and to maximise the value of expenditure on works from the capital budget allocation.
- 2.2. At a meeting with Members of the Council last month, the Leader agreed to consider a further sum towards the operating costs of this scheme to be met from the Corporate Policy Reserve.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. To leave the overhead and non works costs for the operation of this programme and delivery of individual schemes to be funded from the initial allocation by way of a charge against the capital allocation. This would reduce the funds available for actual works, and would prevent some operations being carried out efficiently as the fees and charges could only be recovered where they were qualifying capital items, and would preclude recovery of overheads.

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:

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| Approved by: ----- Executive Member for Policy and Resources Councillor T K Thornber CBE | Date: 18 April 2013 |
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