

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside
<b>Date:</b>	25 September 2013
<b>Title:</b>	Proposal to make an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order on Bentworth Byway Open to All Traffic Nos. 23, 27 & 28 and Wield Byway Open to All Traffic Nos.17, 19 & 20
<b>Reference:</b>	5117
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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#### 1. The decision:

- a) That an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order be made for a period of 18 months under section 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, to prohibit all motorised vehicles except for permit holders from proceeding along Bentworth Byway Open to All Traffic Nos. 23, 27 & 28 and Wield Byway Open to All Traffic Nos.17, 19, & 20, as shown on the attached plan.
- b) That a provision be included in the Order to enable the Head of Countryside to, if necessary, authorise modifications to the Order, to ensure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic, or for the purposes of preserving or improving the amenities of the area.
- c) That a further report should be provided to the Executive Member before the end of that period making further recommendations in light of the results of that experiment.

#### 2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. Hampshire County Council has been working in conjunction with user groups and local residents to find a solution to the issues of surface damage that have arisen on the Byways Open to All Traffic (BOATs) in the parishes of Bentworth and Wield. Some of these routes have been temporarily closed in recent months owing to significant surface damage - repairs are on-going and the routes will remain closed whilst the newly repaired surfaces settle. They will then be gradually reopened to each user group, with walkers being followed in turn by cyclists, horses, horse-drawn

carriages and finally, all traffic. This measure will allow the impact of this increasing use to be monitored.

**3. Other options considered and rejected:**

3.1 Not putting in place an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order.

**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:**

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**25 September 2013**

**Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and  
Countryside  
Councillor Keith Chapman**