

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside
Date:	25 September 2013
Title:	New Dimensions in Dance: Towards a Strategy for Investing in Dance Excellence, 2014-16
Reference:	4884
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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1. The decision:

1.1 That the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside approves the *New Dimensions in Dance* framework, which outlines a strategy for targeting Hampshire County Council's investment in dance activity, 2014-16 (appendix 1), according to the timetable outlined in the report.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

2.1 Dance, as part of the wider arts and museums sector, has an important role in supporting social and economic wellbeing in Hampshire. The *Arts and Museums Strategic Plan, 2012-15 (Connecting Communities to Excellence)* reaffirmed the strategic importance of Dance to Hampshire County Council, and set the scene for a review to maximise the impact of investment into the future.

2.2 *New Dimensions in Dance* is the outcome of a review of this current investment within the strategic framework provided by *Connecting Communities to Excellence* and *Hampshire County Council Open for Business*. It has been informed by consultation with key dance providers and stakeholders operating in the Hampshire area and provides the strategic framework for CCBS investment in dance 2014-16. It follows on from the *New Dimensions in Music* strategic framework introduced in 2012.

2. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1 To do nothing and leave the current Strategy in place.

3. Conflicts of interest:

3.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker:

None.

3.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted:

None.

4. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

5. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

6. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

25 September 2013

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