

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

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| Decision Maker: | Cabinet |
| Date: | 28 October 2013 |
| Title: | Update on Transport for South Hampshire & Isle of Wight Business Plan (2013 - 2015) and the proposed ratification of Solent Transport. |
| Reference: | 5323 |
| Report From: | Director of Economy, Transport and Environment |

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Cabinet recommends to the County Council that the Transport for South Hampshire and Isle of Wight (TfSHIoW) Business Plan be approved.
- 1.2. That Cabinet also recommends to the County Council ratification of the proposed new Joint Committee, named 'Solent Transport', to replace the existing joint committees of TfSHIoW and the Solent Local Transport Body

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. Hampshire County Council is a partner in TfSHIoW and as such it is required to formally consider and approve their Business Plan each year.
- 2.2. On the 17 October 2013 TfSHIoW formally agreed to seek ratification from its member authorities for the establishment of Solent Transport. The County Council acknowledges the advantage this new body will have in bringing together the key public and private sector interests into a single partnership to further advance the planning, funding and delivery of strategic transport schemes in the Solent LEP area. Solent Transport will combine the work programmes of TfSHIoW and the LTB and also provide the LTB advice and responsibility for the Solent LEP area.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. To withhold approval or fail to consider the TfSHIoW Business Plan would constitutionally block the partnership's activities, which are supported by the County Council, and effectively entail its resignation from the partnership.
- 3.2. Failure to endorse the establishment of Solent Transport could jeopardise future strategic transport planning and delivery in the Solent area and weaken

the Highway Authorities' ability to influence transport priorities in Southern Hampshire.

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:

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:

28 October 2013

**Chairman of the Cabinet
Councillor R. Perry**