

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment
Date:	6 May 2014
Title:	Government Funding for Community Transport
Reference:	5776
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- a) That the additional government funding for community transport be used during 2014/15 to implement the initiatives which are detailed in Section 4.1 of the accompanying report.
- b) That the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment be given delegated authority in consultation with the Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment to utilise the government funding during 2014/15 to implement any further initiatives which may be identified which support the five areas set out in 2.5 of the accompanying report.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1. Developing and supporting services provided by Community Transport operators in Hampshire contributes towards maximising well being. In particular these proposals will:

- (i) build capacity within the community transport sector;
- (ii) raise standards in the community transport sector;
- (iii) promote and support local transport initiatives;
- (iv) enable the community transport sector to play a greater role in providing passenger transport services; and
- (v) improve the promotion of Community Transport Services.

2.2 This will also use the additional government funding provided to support community transport and build on the work programme which was approved and implemented during 2012/13 and 2013/14.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. Return the additional grant funding for community transport services to the government. The opportunity to build capacity within the community sector, raise standards, and support the introduction of new local transport initiatives would be lost.

3.2. Use the funding to support initiatives which require on-going revenue support. Ensuring the sustainability of any initiatives which are implemented is important if the most effective use of this funding is to be achieved and longer term benefits secured. Given the one-off nature of this funding, any initiatives which would not be sustainable in the longer term without on-going revenue support from the council have not been considered as suitable options for this funding.

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: 6 May 2014
Executive Member for Economy, Transport, and Environment Councillor Seán D T Woodward	