

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Executive Decision Record**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Economy, Transport & Environment
Date:	6 May 2014
Title:	Future of Highway Service Delivery Arrangements
Reference:	5713
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport & Environment

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That approval be given for intermediate arrangements for Highway Services to deliver efficiency savings and improve commissioning of works, and for the exploration of longer term options.
- 1.2. That approval be given to continue work with neighbouring local authorities to pursue potential opportunities for highway efficiencies and savings through collaborative working and shared services.
- 1.3. That approval be given to grant Amey LG an extension of one year with immediate effect, and the subsequent year in 12 months time subject to continued development of efficiencies, satisfaction with performance and need to defer the procurement.
- 1.4 That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport, and Environment in consultation with the Executive Member for Economy, Transport, and Environment to agree and implement the details of any arrangements with Amey LG pursuant to delivery of the proposed arrangements set out in the report.

2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. The existing Term Highway Contract is due to end on 30 April 2016. The highway service is undertaking a comprehensive review of its contract strategy and delivery models, which will also include considering options for more in-house solutions. It is seeking to explore options and trial new ways of working through the existing contract, to ensure that appropriate decisions are made for longer term service delivery. To this end, it needs to make appropriate intermediate arrangements for service delivery.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. Replacement of the Term Highway Contract at its current end date is possible. However the timescales required for such a procurement exercise would necessitate immediate action and little ability to change the contract scope or specification substantially. Two years is a minimum realistic time for such a large scale contract procurement. It is felt that, whilst the existing contract has generally worked well, there are a number of areas for improvement, particularly in respect of more efficient delivery models, that merit further consideration for inclusion in any future arrangement. As such, this option has been rejected in favour of more time being taken to optimise proposals to help deliver savings beyond 2018.

4. Conflicts of interest:

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

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:

In reaching this decision, I have noted and taken on board the recommendation of the Select Committee.

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