

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment
Date:	11 July 2014
Title:	Whitehill & Bordon Relief Road
Reference:	5880
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the results of the Whitehill & Bordon Relief Road public consultation be noted, along with progress made on the scheme design, Environmental Impact Assessment, and Habitats Regulations Assessment.
- 1.2. That the 'A325 Urban Design and Traffic Management Strategy' be adopted under the County Council's Emerging Transport Strategy (September 2011).
- 1.3. That the Relief Road route Option 2 (shown in Appendix 4) be identified as the County Council's preferred route for the Whitehill & Bordon Relief Road and that this route alignment be further developed to form part of future planning applications and funding bids.
- 1.4. That the County Council continue to work with the Homes and Communities Agency with a view to entering into formal arrangements for the delivery of the Phase 1 Relief Road on its behalf.
- 1.5. That the County Council prepares a full business case and submits funding bids to the Enterprise M3 LEP (and other funding sources) for the Phase 2 Relief Road Scheme and the A325 Integration Works.

2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. Confirmation of the preferred relief road route is needed to enable planning consents and funding bids to be advanced. The County Council is the local highway authority and is therefore leading work to determine the route and design of the scheme. Unlocking critical infrastructure is essential to the successful regeneration of Whitehill & Bordon, and the County Council has a key role to play in facilitating and expediting delivery.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not to identify a preferred route alignment – This was rejected because it fails to give clarity to the direction and development of critical supporting transport infrastructure.
- 3.2. Not to continue to develop the scheme – This was rejected because it would fail to promote and facilitate delivery of important transport infrastructure needed to unlock and promote the economic regeneration of the area.
- 3.3. Not to assist the HCA in delivery of Phase 1 of the scheme – This was rejected because this would result in the Phase 1 Relief Road scheme failing to be delivered and would compromise the funding achieved for the Louisburg Barracks site.

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:

In reaching this decision I have taken into account the views of Councillor Adam Carew who was supportive of these proposals.

Approved by: ----- Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment Councillor Seán D T Woodward	Date: 11 July 2014
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