

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Policy and Resources
<b>Date:</b>	24 July 2014
<b>Title:</b>	Rural Delivery Strategy Funding Proposals
<b>Reference:</b>	5940
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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#### 1. The decision:

1.1. That the following sums be awarded from the Rural Delivery Strategy budget as follows:

Village Agents (Adult Services/Age Concern Hampshire)	£30,800
Supporting Older People (Adult Services)	£10,000
Community Challenge Fund	£35,000 + £15,000 Contingency
Funding for Village Shops	£50,000
Thriving Villages	£30,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>£170,800</b>

1.2 That agreement be given to the following:

- i. Approvals of less than £1,000 be approved by officers following discussion with the Assistant to the Executive Member on Rural Matters, using delegated powers. This would facilitate an expedited response to grant applicants. Agreed grants to be reported to the Executive Member for Policy and Resources retrospectively.
- ii. Proposals greater than £1,000 be brought to the Executive Member for Policy and Resources for consideration in the usual way.

**2. Reason(s) for the decision:**

2.1 This decision is being made as a proactive response to changing social and economic circumstances in rural Hampshire, and to support on-going investment in Hampshire's rural communities.

**3. Other options considered and rejected:**

3.1 Not to progress any projects or on-going funding. This was rejected on the basis that the County Council has an on-going commitment to support rural communities as part of its overall drive to sustain a vibrant and healthy county.

**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:**

<b>Approved by:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
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<b>Executive Member for Policy and Resources Councillor Roy Perry</b>	