

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Cabinet
Date:	30 March 2015
Title:	Further Electoral Review of Hampshire County Council – Council Size Submission to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England
Reference:	6610
Report From:	Chief Executive

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1. The decision:

- 1.1 That Cabinet note the content of the report.
- 1.2 That Cabinet recommend to the County Council approval of the draft submission to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England on Council Size (attached at Annex 2 to this Report), indicating the argument and evidence to remain with 78 Members. Cabinet recognises that the implication of this is an average increase of 1000 electors per County Councillor.
- 1.3 That the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, be authorised to amend the draft submission to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (attached at Annex 2 to this Report) to take account of work done on the submission between the meetings of the Cabinet and full Council.
- 1.4 That Cabinet recommends to full Council that a Members' Working Group be convened as suggested at Paragraph 8.2 of this Report in order to make recommendations to the Group Leaders Working Group in respect of the County Council's pattern of electoral divisions, together with the Terms of Reference for the Members' Working Group, as set out at Annex 3 to the Report.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- a) To enable the County Council to make a submission to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England to be taken into consideration in the course of the Further Electoral Review ('FER') of the Electoral Arrangements of the County Council currently being undertaken.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- a) Not to make a submission, which would result in the County Council's views not being taken into account.

4. Conflicts of interest:

- a) Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None

- b) 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: ----- Chairman of Cabinet Councillor Roy Perry	Date: 30 March 2015
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