

**HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****Executive Decision Record**

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment
<b>Date:</b>	21 April 2015
<b>Title:</b>	Project Appraisal: A27 St Margarets Roundabout, Fareham
<b>Reference:</b>	6586
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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**1. The decision:**

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment approves the Project Appraisal for the improvements to the A27 St Margarets Roundabout, Fareham, as outlined in the supporting report.
- 1.2. That, subject to the final approval of the Local Growth Funding from the Solent Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), approval is given to procure and spend and enter into necessary contractual arrangements to implement the proposed improvements to the A27 St Margarets Roundabout, set out in the supporting report, at an estimated cost of £4.60million to be funded from a combination of Local Growth Fund money as awarded by the Solent LEP, Local Transport Plan funding, and local Developer contributions.
- 1.3. That authority to make the arrangements to implement the scheme, including minor variations to the design or contract, be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment.
- 1.4. That the new sections of shared use footway/cycleway as proposed in the scheme details be incorporated into the Highway Network under Section 65 and Section 66 of the Highways Act 1980.

**2. Reasons for the decision:**

- 2.1. The decision will enable the proposed improvement scheme for the A27 St Margarets roundabout to be constructed and thus contribute towards making Hampshire safer and more secure for all by helping to address the existing traffic problems both at the existing junction and as part of the wider context of improving access to Fareham and Gosport.

2.2. The decision confirms the nature of the transport infrastructure improvements that are expected to improve accessibility for local people and thus maximise wellbeing by enhancing the quality of place.

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

3.1. Early stage feasibility work investigated the introduction of demand management measures at the St Margarets roundabout, to improve journey time reliability for traffic using the A27 Southampton Road, Warsash Road and Cartwright Drive. The options considered the provision of traffic signals at the existing priority controlled roundabout which experiences peak time traffic queues, both on the A27 and on the side roads.

3.2. The feasibility work assessed the performance of six options for the junction based on earlier traffic count data, with the identified preferred option being modelled with projections to 2026. The alternative options that were considered included a combination of traffic signal and priority control based options together with an option to reduce the number of arms at the roundabout junction.

3.3. Most of the other junction options were rejected on the basis of providing insufficient capacity or insufficient benefit against the expenditure, or were controversial given road closures and redistribution of traffic on the local network.

**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:**

<b>Approved by:</b>  -----  <b>Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment Councillor Seán D T Woodward</b>	<b>Date:</b>  <b>21 April 2015</b>
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