

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Officer Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Director of Policy and Governance – Corporate Services
Title:	Financial Assistance to the Gurkha Welfare Trust
Reference:	6692

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That a donation of £20,000 be given to the Gurkha Welfare Trust's appeal to raise funds to help families and communities affected by the Nepalese Earthquake.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. Hampshire has a longstanding relationship with Nepal, through the Gurkha regiment and their Nepalese families based in the north of the County. This donation will help to provide medical aid and food, rebuild homes and schools and repair water supply system to those communities affected by this disaster.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not to award donation.
- 3.2. Award reduced donation.

4. Conflicts of interest:

- 4.1. Conflict of interest declared by an Executive Member who is consulted by the officer which relates to the decision:

None

5. Dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service:

- 5.1 None

6. Supporting information:

This is an extremely difficult time for the Gurkha community and a one off donation of £20,000 to the Trust is appropriate on this occasion.

Approved by:

Date:

22 May 2015

**Paul Archer
Director of Policy and Governance**