

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Executive Decision Record**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment
Date:	9 July 2015
Title:	Basingstoke Intelligent Transport Systems Strategy
Reference:	6803
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment gives approval to the approach to managing the exceptional concentration of road works in Basingstoke associated with the LEP major schemes, as set out in the supporting report, subject to the successful outcome of the County Council's bid to the Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP).
- 1.2. That the Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment delegates authority to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment to make all necessary arrangements to implement the scheme in the event that the bid is successful, including formal approval to procure and spend up to a value of £250,000.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. Hampshire County Council has a statutory duty (Traffic Management Act 2004) to minimise disruption and delay arising through works and events on its network.
- 2.2. The EM3 Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) has identified a number of major schemes in Basingstoke intended to unlock economic development in the area. The schemes will provide lasting benefit to the community, however the road works will cause significant disruption, and expanding the Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) in Basingstoke is needed to make the most efficient use of the road network by distributing traffic as evenly as possible to minimise congestion and delays through the period of construction.
- 2.3. The proposal links to the Corporate Strategy: Hampshire safer and more secure for all, and to the Economy, Transport and Environment Department

Aim Two, keeping Hampshire moving (Objective 2.3, travel is safe, accessible and well managed).

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. It would be possible to use the limited ITS already installed in Basingstoke to continue to provide the current level of traffic control and traffic and travel information. This option is not recommended, as the LEP major scheme programme will significantly affect travel in Basingstoke over the period of the programme and the current ITS will not enable sufficient active management of the network to minimise delay and disruption arising through the works.
- 3.2. It would be possible to undertake a reduced implementation as part of the temporary traffic management in place for individual schemes or corridors where schemes are combined. This option is not recommended as data is needed for alternative routes if traffic is to be re-routed to optimise available network capacity. Additionally, drivers travelling towards congestion caused by road works will need to make decisions on whether to continue or divert at junctions beyond the extent of the temporary traffic management in place for the works.

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:

Approved by: -----	Date: 9 July 2015
Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment Councillor Seán D T Woodward	