

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Decision Report**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Policy and Resources
Date:	22 April 2016
Title:	Whitehill Bordon Relief Road Phase 2 Funding Arrangements
Reference:	7437
Report From:	Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services

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1. Executive Summary

- 1.1. The purpose of this paper is to report an urgent and exempt financial decision taken by the Chief Financial Officer in accordance with the County Council's Financial Regulation 2.31.
- 1.2. Financial Regulation 2.31 states "Where an urgent financial decision is required that falls outside of the defined process or limits within Financial Regulations or Financial Procedure Rules, but is felt to be in the wider interests of the County Council, the Chief Financial Officer, in consultation with the Chief Executive and the Leader, can make the decision subject to it being reported to the next appropriate decision making meeting."
- 1.3. The Chief Financial Officer for the County Council (Director of Corporate Resources) has noted the potential risk associated with the second year of funding from the Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership (EM3 LEP) for the Whitehill Bordon Relief Road Phase 2 project and in doing so has authorised, in consultation with the Chief Executive and Leader of the County Council, completion of the funding agreement, on terms to be approved by the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1. That the Executive Member for Policy and Resources notes the decision taken by the Chief Financial Officer, in consultation with the Chief Executive and Leader of the County Council, in accordance with the County Council's Financial Regulation 2.31.

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	Yes
Maximising well-being:	Yes
Enhancing our quality of place:	Yes
The decision taken is linked the Corporate Strategy as it relates to the Whitehill Bordon Relief Road Phase 2 project which supports all three strands of the Corporate Strategy (Hampshire safer and more secure for all, Maximising well-being and Enhancing our quality of place).	

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

DocumentLocation

None

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equality Duty

1.1. The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited under the Act;
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, gender and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- a) The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant characteristic connected to that characteristic;
- b) Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- c) Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

1.2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

- (a) The decision taken was not considered to have any adverse impact on groups with protected characteristics.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

2.1. This decision taken was not considered to have any direct impact upon Crime and Disorder.

3. Climate Change:

- a) This decision taken was not considered to have any impact on climate change.