

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Executive Decision Record**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Date:	30 June 2016
Title:	Transport Major Schemes Update
Reference:	7538
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That authority is given to progress design and development work for a raft of major schemes, as set out in the supporting report, to an appropriate state of readiness to take advantage of funding opportunities.
- 1.2. That authority is delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment to make in year changes to the programme of works in consultation with the Executive Member for Environment and Transport in order to be able to respond flexibly to new opportunities.
- 1.3. That authority is delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment to complete and submit business cases and to secure funding opportunities as they arise.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. To support the development of future capital programmes it is often necessary to undertake feasibility design work in advance of securing funding to deliver the schemes. This is particularly important for large schemes where development funding needs can sometimes be quite large and timescales for bidding are relatively short. Significant effort and resource expenditure is often necessary before a scheme can engage in the bidding process or enter the capital programme. This report provides oversight of the development work currently being undertaken on a raft of major schemes throughout the County, prior to certainty regarding funding for any capital works.
- 2.2. In order to take advantage of funding opportunities as they arise it is essential that a raft of schemes are developed to a point that business cases can be prepared and bids submitted. Delegated authority is required to

progress development work on identified major schemes and to enable responses to be made to appropriate funding bodies in a reactive and timely manner.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not to advance the design and bidding work would result in the council failing to secure future funding opportunities for major schemes. Further implications would be a negative impact on the growth of the Hampshire Economy.
- 3.2. Bidding without appropriate design work would leave the council in an exposed position with regard to scheme delivery as many of the critical delivery issues would not be understood until too late in the process.

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: 30 June 2016
Executive Member for Environment and Transport Councillor Rob Humby	