

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Date:	19 January 2017
Title:	2017/18 Revenue Budget Report for Environment and Transport
Reference:	8061
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment and Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services

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1. The decision:

To approve for submission to the Leader and Cabinet:

- 1.1. The revised budget for 2016/17 as set out in Appendix 1.
- 1.2. The budget for 2017/18 as set out in Appendix 1.
- 1.3. The workforce implications of the proposed budget for 2017/18 as set out in Appendix 2.

The Executive Member is asked to approve:

- 1.4. The virement of a sum of £950,000 to the Economy and Transport 2016/17 capital programme to provide additional match funding for the Redbridge Causeway Challenge Fund bid.
- 1.5. The virement of £650,000 to the Economy and Transport 2016/17 capital programme to fund the works needed to bring Bourley Road near Aldershot up to adoption standard.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. The County Council is required to agree its budget and set the council tax for 2017/18 at its meeting on 16 February 2017. The Cabinet agreed provisional cash limits for each Department at its meeting on 12 December 2016 and asked Executive Members with Chief Officers to develop their detailed revenue budgets within these guidelines.

- 2.2. The proposed virements will provide funding to allow the capital works at Bourley Road to proceed and additional match funding to give the Redbridge Causeway Challenge Fund bid a greater chance of success.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. The total of the budget proposals in this report are in line with the guidelines set by Cabinet. A budget in excess of the guidelines is not considered affordable and a budget significantly below the guidelines would not enable service objectives to be met. These service objectives and budgets for 2017/18 and future years have been developed in keeping with the County Council's priorities.
- 3.2. Not to proceed with the virement relating to the Bourley Road project would result in further delay in progressing this scheme which has already been subject to delays as a result of land issues.
- 3.3. Not to allocate the match funding to Redbridge Causeway would reduce the attractiveness of the Challenge Fund bid and adversely affect the chance of its success in attracting the additional external funding which will be needed to ensure this major scheme can be undertaken.

4. Conflicts of interest:

- 4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None
- 4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None

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:

In reaching this decision I have taken on board the points raised by the Economy, Transport and Environment Select Committee at its meeting earlier today.

Approved by:

Date:

19 January 2017

**Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Councillor Rob Humby**