

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Executive Decision Record**

Decision Maker:	Hampshire Economic Board
Date of Decision:	25 February 2010
Decision Title:	The role of the County Council in delivering digital Britain - update
Decision Reference:	1367
Report From:	Director of Economic Development

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1. The decision:

- a) That the content of the report and Appendix 1 be noted.
- b) That the next steps in this process should be the detailed discussions between Hampshire County Council and commercial operators and internet service providers.
- c) That a further report is brought back to a future meeting, with recommendations as to possible future Hampshire County Council strategic interventions and their relevant commercial, financial and legal models.
- d) That consideration is given as to how any activity relating from this project links into other Hampshire County Council and external initiatives.
- e) That authority be delegated to the Director of Economic Development, in consultation with the Chairman of the Hampshire Economic Board, to respond on behalf of the County Council to the consultation by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills on proposals for a Next Generation Fund.
- f) That meetings be sought with relevant Ministers and government departments to progress the agenda in due course.

Reason for the decision:

- 2.1. In order for the Board to monitor and direct future action to address the issue of poor broadband service delivery in Hampshire.

Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. None.

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.

Dispensation granted by the Standards Committee: none.

Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

25 February 2010

**Chairman of the Hampshire Economic Board
Councillor T K Thornber, CBE**