

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Executive Decision Record**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment
Date:	1 April 2014
Title:	Solent Enterprise Zone – Waterfront Spine Road
Reference:	5744
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1.0 The decision:

- 1.1 That authority be given for the County Council to act as the delivery body for the Waterfront Spine Road on behalf of the Solent LEP and to enter into appropriate contractual arrangements, up to the value of the total fund allocated to that project by the Solent LEP, and to seek any consents or other arrangements necessary to deliver the project.
- 1.2 That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport, and Environment to finalise contractual and other arrangements pursuant to the delivery of the Waterfront Spine Road project on behalf of the Solent LEP.

2.0 Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1 Hampshire County Council is positioned as the key delivery partner in providing the new infrastructure to serve new businesses at the Solent Enterprise Zone.
- 2.2 The delivery of a new spine road will enable an effective marketing strategy for the Waterfront and demonstrate a development-ready site that is attractive to the market. The investment in infrastructure by the delivery partners will help to attract significant inward investment into the Solent Enterprise Zone.
- 2.3 Hampshire County Council is the delivery partner for the initial phase of new infrastructure provision at the Solent Enterprise Zone, which will serve the new business space from 2014. The Homes and Communities Agency, as Landowner of the Solent Enterprise Zone, would like to extend their contractual arrangement with Hampshire County Council as key delivery

partner for the additional infrastructure for the Waterfront East West spine road.

3.0 Other options considered and rejected:

3.1 For the Homes and Communities Agency (Landowner) or Gosport Borough Council (Local Authority for the Waterfront) to directly deliver the new Waterside access road. This option has been rejected on the basis that neither party concerned has the required capacity or expertise to deliver and project manage these works that the County Council is able to demonstrate.

4.0 Conflicts of interest:

4.1 Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker:

The Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment declared a non-pecuniary interest as a Director of the Solent Local Enterprise Partnership.

4.2 Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted:

5.0 Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

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

7.0 Statement from the Decision Maker:

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