

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Executive Decision Record**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment
Date:	19 January 2016
Title:	Rail Consultations – South West Trains Franchise, Crossrail 2 and the Shaw Report scoping Study
Reference:	7233
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the response to the Department for Transport's Crossrail 2 consultation, as set out in Annex 2, which was submitted under delegated authority, be noted.
- 1.2. That the response to the scoping study for the Shaw Secretariat on the Shaw Report, which was submitted under delegated authority, as set out in Annex 3, be noted.
- 1.3. That the draft response to the consultation on the South Western rail franchise, as set out in Annex 1, be approved as the basis for the County Council's response.
- 1.4. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment, in consultation with the Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment, to finalise the draft consultation response to the South Western rail franchise, as set out in Annex 1, for submission to the Government by the deadline of 9 February 2016.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. To ensure Hampshire County Council's views are heard and reflected in changes being made to rail services within Hampshire and surrounding areas.
- 2.2. To support delivery of the Local Transport Plan 3.

- 2.3. Improved rail services supports all three of Hampshire's Corporate Strategic Objectives:

- Enhancing our quality of place
- Maximising well-being
- Hampshire safer and more secure for all

- 2.4 Members' views were sought via an email to all County Councillors. Although no responses were received, members' feedback given at consultation events and through meetings with officers has been incorporated into the response on the South Western Franchise. No feedback has been received on the Crossrail 2 consultation or the Shaw Report scoping study.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not responding to the South Western franchise consultation. This consultation has significant implications for Hampshire residents and businesses and the local economy. It is important that the County Council's voice is heard in this consultation.
- 3.2. Not responding to the Crossrail 2 consultation. The Crossrail 2 consultation has the potential to impact on rail capacity within Hampshire so should therefore be considered.
- 3.3. Not responding to the scoping study for the Shaw Report. The Shaw Report has the potential to change the way in which Network Rail (or a successor body) interacts with the County Council and how it funds projects and therefore a response should be considered.

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.

Statement from the Decision Maker:

I note that there are a number of minor amendments to the draft consultation response that are currently being finalised. These include ensuring that the County Council makes a strong case for improved links between Hampshire and Heathrow International Airport. So on that basis, I have included an additional recommendation for delegated authority to be given to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment to make changes in consultation

with myself before the final drafts are submitted. Updated versions of the consultation responses to be published as soon as they are finalised.

I thank Cllr Jackie Porter for attending my Decision Day and for her comments on this item.

Approved by: ----- Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment Councillor Seán D T Woodward	Date: 19 January 2016
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