

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside
Date:	4 October 2016
Title:	Byways – Traffic Regulation Orders 2016
Reference:	7772
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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1. The decision:

- 1.1 That the Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside;
 - a) Approves the approach to managing the 10 Byways Open to All Traffic (BOATs) in Hampshire which were originally included or related with the 2014 Experimental Traffic Regulation Order.
 - b) Supports the commencement of the Traffic Regulation Order for 7 Byways Open to All Traffic in Bentworth, Wield, Selbourne and Worldham.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. Hampshire County Council (HCC) is responsible for the protection and maintenance of over 4500 km of Public Footpaths, Bridleways, Byways open to All Traffic (BOATs) and Restricted Byways. These routes provide access for recreation and amenity and are important to enable people to explore and enjoy Hampshire's countryside.
- 2.2. This is a more sustainable management model for the maintenance of byways that will reduce the need for major capital expenditure. By adopting a more dynamic approach to the application of TRO it is anticipated that damage to the byways will be reduced, particularly during extreme weather, and the routes continue to be accessible.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Do nothing: do not apply Traffic Regulation Orders on Byways Open to All Traffic.

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:

Approved by:

Date:

4 October 2016

**Executive Member for Culture, Recreation and Countryside
Councillor Andrew Gibson**