

**HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****Executive Decision Record**

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member - Environment
<b>Date:</b>	7 September 2010
<b>Title:</b>	New Forest Transport Contributions Policy
<b>Reference:</b>	1936
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Environment

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**1. The decision:**

- a) That the draft list of local transport schemes for New Forest be approved and that this list forms part of the Area Transport Strategy.
- b) That authority be delegated to the Director of Environment for the future management of the New Forest transport scheme list, including the authority to amend the list by adding or removing schemes as appropriate, with annual reference to the Executive Member for Environment for confirmation.

**2. Reasons for the decision:**

- 2.1. To provide a sound and robust schedule of transport improvement schemes (in accordance with the Area Transport Strategies of the Local Transport Plan) towards which transport contributions can be secured that satisfy the requirements of Circular 05/2005 and the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010. This will ensure that appropriate infrastructure is funded and brought forward to mitigate the impact of development.
- 2.2. To provide a consistent approach across each of Hampshire's districts and to ensure the continued application of Hampshire's adopted Transport Contributions Policy in support of the Local Transport Plan.
- 2.3. To strengthen the Area Transport Strategies of the Local Transport Plan.

**3. Other options considered and rejected:**

- 3.1. To continue to seek contributions towards Area Transport Strategies without the support of a developed and approved list of schemes.

3.2. This option is rejected because in light of recent appeal decisions, whilst the principles of the Transport Contributions Policy are accepted, the absence of identified local schemes has called into question the justification of financial contributions sought, and undermined the effective application of the Transport Contributions Policy.

**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 Standards Committee: none.**

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

**7. Statement from the Decision Maker:**

<b>Approved by:</b>  -----  <b>Executive Member for Environment Councillor M J Kendal</b>	<b>Date:</b>  <b>7 September 2010</b>
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