

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Decision Report

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member - Environment
<b>Date:</b>	6 April 2010
<b>Title:</b>	Project Integra Action Plan 2010-15
<b>Reference:</b>	1303
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Environment

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#### 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1. This report summarises the key items in relation to Project Integra (PI) Action Plan 2010-15 (Appendix 1).
- 1.2. The Project Integra Action Plan is a five year plan. Project Integra's headline objective is to focus on effective delivery of waste and resource management services, working towards a series of targets related to the waste hierarchy, for prevention, waste minimisation, recycling, energy recovery and diversion from landfill.
- 1.3. Hampshire County Council supports the Action Plan and will commit direct resources to identified priority work areas as indicated in the Partner Implementation Plan.
- 1.4. Last year's Action Plan reflected a significant input of resources from Hampshire County Council to deliver a wide and detailed range of options to the PI partners in the form of a collection and processing review. The review highlighted that for the partnership to take these options forward a considerable amount of work will be required to be undertaken by the collection authorities in 2010-11, together with a commitment of resources. In addition the review identified the key issue of performance which needs to be addressed by all partners.
- 1.5. This review has already delivered crucial information that has been debated by PI in two workshops. Additional resources will be required to take forward elements from the review of collection and processing options.

- 1.6. The County Council will play an active role in progressing the review of the role of Project Integra and all PI sub groups to help quantify the partnerships outputs and help identify and bring clarity to its goals.
- 1.7. There will be a continued focus on all measures that have a positive effect on reducing the amount of waste sent to landfill, coupled with an ongoing focus on reducing costs and securing income for Integra partners throughout a difficult global trading climate.
- 1.8. Hampshire County Council will take a lead role within the partnership by developing a Waste Prevention Action Plan, and provide guidance and advice to the Waste Prevention project board.
- 1.9. It is recognised that nationally the PI partnership is well respected and often cited as best practice, however there is concern that the partnership as a whole is realistic about resource levels required to deliver this plan, and should ensure resources are clearly identified and targeted towards priority work areas. The inability of partners to commit sufficient resources could lead to the partnership failing to deliver its headline objectives and losing credibility.

## **2. Contextual information**

- 2.1. This is the ninth Action Plan for PI and is prepared in accordance with the constitution. This requires a draft annual plan to be prepared and approved by the annual general meeting of the PI Strategic Board held in January. The draft plan is then considered by each of the partner's authorities. On approval by the partners, the plan then becomes the approved annual action plan and forms the framework in which the Board Members may make decisions on behalf of partner authorities. Partner authorities may approve the draft action plan, subject to a reservation in respect of any particular matter.
- 2.2. This year's Action Plan reflects significant Hampshire County Council influence in shaping the plan, culminating in successful members events in July and December.
- 2.3. The Action Plan sets out the strategic outcomes which the partnership aims to deliver over the next five years in order to meet its long term objectives within the wider context. Each strategic outcome contains a number of specific workstreams which the partnership will deliver over the next 12 months.
- 2.4. Each PI partner authority prepares its own Partner Implementation Plan and Communications Plan which sets out its commitment of resources required to support delivery and improve performance and meet the collective targets.
- 2.5. Appended to this report (Appendix 2) is the proposed Hampshire County Council Partner Implementation Plan which identifies planned actions and

resources already allocated to key workstreams. In summary the County Council will focus on the following key issues:

- (i) Collection and processing review;
- (ii) Waste prevention;
- (iii) Review of Project Integra;
- (iv) Diversion from landfill; and
- (v) Performance and costs.

2.6. The draft plan will be available in the Members' room and for public inspection at the information centre in Winchester. It can also be viewed on the PI website, [www.integra.org.uk](http://www.integra.org.uk).

### **3. Conclusions**

- 3.1. The Action Plan reaffirms the need for all partner authorities to deliver services more effectively and efficiently, including joint working where appropriate.
- 3.2. Hampshire County Council's continued focus on key projects such as the collection and processing review, waste prevention, the role of Project Integra and diversion from landfill are vital for the partnership to deliver better value for money through greater efficiencies and partnership working.

### **4. Recommendation**

- 4.1. It is recommended that the attached draft Project Integra Action Plan 2010-15 (Appendix 1) be approved subject to concerns that: The partnership should as a whole be realistic about resources required to deliver this plan and further should ensure resources are allocated and targeted towards priority work areas.

**CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:****Links to the Corporate Strategy**

<b>Hampshire safer and more secure for all:</b>	no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Maximising well-being:</b>	no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Enhancing our quality of place:</b>	Yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>OR</b>	
<b>This proposal does not link to the Corporate Strategy but, nevertheless, requires a decision because:</b>	

**Other Significant Links**

<b>Links to previous Member decisions:</b>		
<u>Title</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Date</u>
<b>Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives</b>		
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>	

**Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents**

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

<u>Document</u>	<u>Location</u>
None	

## **IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:**

### **1. Equalities Impact Assessment:**

- 1.1. The Project Integra Action Plan 2010-15 will not compromise the County Council's policy on race and equalities.

### **2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:**

- 2.1. The Project Integra Action Plan 2010-15 will not compromise the County Council's policy on the prevention of crime.

### **3. Climate Change:**

- a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?

The County Council is committed to ensure that all its current and proposed future activities within the Project Integra partnership are managed to ensure that their energy consumption/carbon impact is minimised.

- b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?

Policies and plans are in place to ensure that all current activities are resilient to the impacts of climate change, both in the short and long term.