

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Executive Decision Record**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Economic Development and Rural Affairs
Date:	2 July 2010
Title:	Funding for Rural Delivery Strategy Projects
Reference:	1799
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Rural Affairs

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1. The decision:

- a) That the Executive Member for Economic Development and Rural Affairs supports the following projects from the Rural Strategy budget:

Project	Total project value	Grant proposed
Village agents	£40,000	£20,000
Community Buildings Fund	£200,000 approx	£20,000
Community led planning	£60,800	£35,000
Village Halls Advisor post	£18,000	£18,000
Tackling rural fly-tipping	£10,000	£10,000
Community Challenge Fund	£30,000	£10,000
Children's partnerships	£20,000	£12,000
Village shops event	£10,000	£10,000
Little London broadband	£80,000	£10,000
		contingency
Rural transport guide	£30,000	£15,000
Museums and rural schools	£12,000	£3,000
Gifted and talented children	£5,700	£5,700
County Farm: disabled loos	£3,200	£1,200
Small Grants Scheme - biodiversity	£45,000	£5,000
Manor Farm play trail	£105,000	£5,000
Community Arts project	£15,000	Nil
TOTAL	£656,700*	£179,900

* This is a projected figure including anticipated contributions from partners, so the actual figure realised will be higher or lower than this. Includes

£80,000 total investment in Little London broadband which was also counted in 2009/10.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. This decision is being made as a follow up to the report made to Cabinet in April 2009 and in response to the priorities and actions identified in that report (Rural Delivery Action Plan for Hampshire County Council, 27 April 2009).
- 2.2. The decision is requested to enable efforts to test supportive and innovative service delivery projects within rural communities.
- 2.3. The decision is focussed upon initiatives which, if successful, should have the capacity to be mainstreamed and sustained without further pump priming investment.
- 2.4. There were some changes to the report to include the funding amounts to include the £18,000 grant to the village hall adviser post.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not to progress any projects.
- 3.2. To progress projects with different funding levels.

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:

Approved by:

Date:

2 July 2010

**Executive Member for Economic Development and
Rural Affairs
Councillor Dr R J Ellis**