

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Cabinet
Date:	28 November 2011
Title:	Hampshire Workstyle Programme – Procurement of Hub Offices and Capital and Assets Pathfinder
Reference:	3388
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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1. The decision:

1.1. Hampshire Workstyle Programme

- a) That overall progress be noted.
- b) That the proposed property transactions in Basingstoke and Farnborough be endorsed (as set out in more detail in the exempt minute) and recommended for final approval at the Executive Member for Policy and Resources Decision Day on 8 December 2011.
- c) In light of recent announcements made by Test Valley Borough Council about office accommodation, officers be instructed to review the proposed property transactions in Totton.
- d) That officers explore when looking at hub offices all alternative premises in the vicinity.

1.2. Hampshire's Capital and Assets Pathfinder

- a) That Cabinet endorses moving towards the vision of a 'one public estate' and acknowledges the potential changes to County Council policy that this will require.
- b) That Cabinet agrees to £150,000 of one-off additional resources being made available in 2011/12, to be funded from the Corporate Efficiency Reserve.
- c) That Cabinet takes proposals to the Hampshire Senate and seeks endorsement and a declaration from the other Hampshire partners to this approach, and the exploration of potential governance arrangements to support it.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1. Hampshire Workstyle Programme

2.2. The provision of a series of major office hubs around the county to create a modern flexible office infrastructure for staff will enable the cross-county introduction of the flexible working principles and will support staff in making the most of the opportunity that the County Council's technology provides to work more efficiently.

2.3. Hampshire's Capital and Asset Pathfinder

2.4. The proposal to create a culture within the County Council that will consider public assets under 'one public estate' will enable the County Council to review current policies and examine the greater efficiencies and improvements in service delivery that can be obtained through collaboration between the public sector partners in a place, when all publicly owned assets are considered as a single portfolio.

3. Other options considered and rejected: None

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:

28 November 2011

**Chairman of the Cabinet
Councillor T.K. Thornber, CBE**