

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Date:	13 March 2018
Title:	Farnborough Growth Package and Blackwater Valley Gold Grid
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the outcomes of the public and stakeholder consultation on the Farnborough Growth Package and Blackwater Valley Gold Grid as set out in Section 4 of the supporting report are noted.
- 1.2. That approval is given to progress design of the following schemes as a high priority in the short term:
 - New access from Invincible Road to provide a new exit onto the A327 Elles Road, sufficient to address the congestion issues in Invincible Road; and;
 - Blackwater Valley Gold Grid measures to improve the forecourt at Farnborough Main Station and general improvements to the Gold Route.
- 1.3. That Lynchford Road is identified as a priority scheme, and that further feasibility design work is undertaken to identify a deliverable scheme, including engagement with the local community and consideration of potential to mitigate air quality issues on the Blackwater Valley Relief Road, the feasibility work also taking account of potential constraints, including:
 - Funding availability; and
 - Availability of land from the Ministry of Defence.
- 1.4. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment to identify schemes on the A325 Farnborough Road corridor on which to progress feasibility design work as a reserve to the identified prioritised schemes above.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. The decision addresses the need to identify the proposed transport interventions that should be progressed in the short term for implementation

with Local Growth Fund from the Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership and local match funding contributions.

- 2.2. The decision recognises potential constraints associated with the prioritised Lynchford Road scheme and provides an appropriate way to take this scheme forward, including the contingency to further develop alternative reserve schemes.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Do Nothing – This has been rejected as funding has been provisionally secured from the Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership to deliver transport improvements in Farnborough and the wider Blackwater Valley area to support economic growth. This report is essential to ensure that the prioritised interventions are identified and authority is secured to progress further design work on these, with the intention of delivery by 2021.

4. Conflicts of interest: None

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker:

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted:

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:

Thank you to those who attended my meeting today and to local residents for sharing their views, which I have taken into consideration in making my decision.

Approved by:

Date:

13 March 2018

**Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Councillor Rob Humby**