

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
<b>Date:</b>	4 June 2019
<b>Title:</b>	Project Appraisal: Fareham Air Quality Improvement Scheme
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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#### 1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport approves the Project Appraisal for the Fareham NO<sub>2</sub> Cycle Links package of nine small-scale infrastructure improvements, as outlined in the supporting report.
- 1.2. That approval be given to procure, spend, and enter into necessary contractual arrangements, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to implement the proposed improvements to the local cycle network, as set out in the supporting report, at an estimated cost of £396,000 to be fully funded from the Government's Joint Air Quality Unit's (JAQU<sup>1</sup>) Implementation Fund.
- 1.3. That authority to make the arrangements to implement the scheme, including minor variations to the design or contract, be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment.

#### 2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. The County Council has been served a Ministerial Direction to implement air quality abatement measures (determined via a government prescribed evidence gathering process) before the end of December 2019 in order to support a reduction in roadside nitrogen dioxide concentrations to within annual legal limits during the 2020 calendar year.
- 2.2. Procurement, contract mobilisation, and construction are predicted to take approximately 26 weeks, finishing on 29 November 2019.

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<sup>1</sup> JAQU: The Joint Air Quality Unit: A partnership between Department for Transport and Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

2.3. Approval to procure and spend is therefore required at this time to ensure construction by 31 December 2019 (including capacity for slippage or issues on site).

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

3.1. Do nothing: Rejected. Not implementing the package of cycle schemes may expose the County Council to potential legal challenge.

**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 Conduct Advisory Panel:**

**6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent:**

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

**Approved by:**

**Date:**

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**4 June 2019**

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