# HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## **Executive Decision Record**

Decision Maker:	Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services
Date:	9 March 2023
Title:	Basingstoke Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan
Report From:	Assistant Chief Executive and Director of Hampshire 2050
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## 1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services approves the Local Cycle and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) that has been prepared for Basingstoke and Deane district.
- 1.2. That the Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services commends the LCWIP to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council for endorsement and inclusion within its own policy and plan framework.
- 1.3. That the Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services confirms the top priority for developing active travel improvements in Basingstoke relates to the town centre and that improvements need to be progressed in conjunction with the Basingstoke Town Centre Regeneration proposals currently led by the District Council.

## 2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. The Government has published guidance that requires Local Transport Authorities across the country to prepare Local Cycle and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIPs) for their areas. Future funding for active travel is conditional upon such plans being developed and adopted. This report seeks to approve the LCWIP for Basingstoke and Deane, following the approval of the LCWIP's for the south of Hampshire at a Decision Day on the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022.
- 2.2. The plans include schemes which have been prioritised following extensive engagement and consultation with local stakeholders and the community. The prioritised schemes serve as a pipeline of future schemes for development and delivery as funding opportunities arise. In particular the plans articulate at a local level what schemes the County Council and Local Planning Authorities should be seeking to secure through the development control process over time.

## 3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Not to prepare LCWIP's would mean the County Council would be unlikely to secure future funding for active travel initiatives from Government funding sources.
- 3.2. To have prepared the plans without engaging and consulting local stakeholders and communities. This would have meant the plans would not be compliant with Government guidance. The plans are better formed and have better local acceptance for having been undertaken with extensive local engagement and consultation.

#### 4. Conflicts of interest:

- 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:

Approved by:	Date:
	9 March 2023
Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services Councillor Rob Humby	