

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services
Date:	25 September 2023
Title:	Bursledon Windmill Future Management
Report From:	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 agrees to Hampshire Cultural Trust's (HCT) proposal to cease operations of Bursledon Windmill and to it serving notice to Hampshire County Council (County Council) to this effect under the terms of the Management and Funding Agreement (MFA) between the County Council and HCT.
- 1.2. That, subject to the approval of HCT's proposal to cease operations at Bursledon Windmill at paragraph 1.1 above, the Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services agrees to the County Council serving notice on Hampshire Buildings Preservation Trust to terminate the lease of Bursledon Windmill.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. HCT has set out how, because of a reduction in funding, coupled with a poor recovery from Covid-19, it is no longer commercially viable to manage and operate Bursledon Windmill.
- 2.2. HCT has stated how Hampshire Buildings Preservation Trust are best placed to consider and identify a long-term, financially sustainable management and operational partner.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. HCT has investigated opportunities to increase and diversify revenue streams, be it grants, donations or commercial opportunities since 2015 with limited success that would not be sufficient to support the financial viability of the venue.

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: none.**
- 6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.**
- 7. Statement from the Decision Maker:**

Approved by:

Date:

25 September 2023

**Councillor Roz Chadd
Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire
2050 and Corporate Services**

(on behalf of Councillor Rob Humby
Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and
Corporate Services)