

# HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Highways and Waste
<b>Date:</b>	9 September 2024
<b>Title:</b>	Local Bus Contract for Kings Barton
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Universal Services

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### 1. The decision:

- 1.1 That the Executive Member for Highways and Waste gives authority to spend and enter into contractual arrangements (in consultation with the Head of Legal Services) for a new contract for the Kings Barton local bus service, as set out in the supporting report, to commence from 7 October 2024 for a period of two years with the possibility of a further one year extension, at a total cost of £360,000 funded through developer contributions.
- 1.2 That the Executive Member for Highways and Waste delegates authority to the Director of Universal Services, in consultation with the Executive Member for Highways and Waste, to make minor amendments to the contracts detailed above.

### 2. Reason for the decision:

- 2.1 This service is funded through the Kings Barton development and this decision enables the County Council to utilise the funding made available to us to meet the requirements as set out in the Section 106 Agreement between the County Council and Cala Homes, the housing developer.

### 3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1 Award a contract for a conventional bus service. This was unaffordable within the developer contributions budget available which is a finite amount.
- 3.2 Continue or expand the existing taxishare service. This was not an option as it did not align with the requirements of the developer contributions funding.
- 3.3 Delay the implementation of the bus route until the site is completed. Due to previous conversations with the developer, it is unlikely that they will agree to delaying this further.

3.4 Return the funding to the developer. As the provision of a bus service would represent the best interests of the residents, this option was rejected.

**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:**

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**9 September 2024**

**Executive Member for Highways and Waste  
Councillor Lulu Bowerman**