

# HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Lead Member for Universal Services
<b>Date:</b>	3 March 2025
<b>Title:</b>	Project Appraisal: A27 Segensworth Walking and Cycling Improvements
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Universal Services

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### 1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services approves the Project Appraisal for A27 Segensworth Walking and Cycling Improvements, as outlined in this report.
- 1.2. That approval be given to spend and enter into necessary contractual arrangements, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to implement the proposed improvements to the A27 Segensworth Walking/Cycling Improvements, as set out in this report, at a cost of £3.002million to be funded from grant funding (Active Travel England), Developer Contributions and Integrated Transport Block funding.
- 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 Universal Services.
- 1.4. That authority be delegated to the Director of Universal Services, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to progress any orders, notices, or statutory procedures and secure any consents, licences, permissions, rights or easements necessary to enable implementation of this scheme.

### 2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1. To improve pedestrian and cycle access across the M27 J9 between Segensworth and Whiteley. A new section of shared-use footway will be constructed to link the shared-use facilities provided at M27 J9 to the existing shared-use network within Fareham, to provide a continual shared-use connection between Segensworth and Whiteley.

- 2.2. Grant funding has been secured from Active Travel England alongside developer contributions from the North Whiteley Major Development Area towards the County Council's commitment to improve local walking and cycling access between Segensworth and the new development at North Whiteley.
- 2.3. The scheme supports the County Council's policy for encouraging active lifestyles and fully aligns with Local Transport Plan 4 (LTP4). The footway will form part of an equalities compliant route to ensure accessibility for users with protected characteristics.

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

- 3.1. **Do Nothing.** This option was rejected as without the delivery of this scheme, the shared-use path delivered as part of the M27 Junction 9 scheme cannot be open to public use. In addition, the County Council will use the funding secured through the planning process to deliver improved non-car access to the North Whiteley development area, thereby mitigating the impact of development in the area.
- 3.2. **Providing improved pedestrian and cycle access via alternative routes.** A series of alternative routes were considered between Segensworth Roundabout and M27 Junction 9 including a footway along the full length of the eastern verge, and various locations for crossing the link road, but these were all rejected due to a range of factors principally relating to congestion, safety and cost.

### **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:**

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**3 March 2025**

**Executive Lead Member for Universal Services  
Councillor Kirsty North**