

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Highways and Waste
<b>Date:</b>	3 March 2025
<b>Title:</b>	Project Appraisal: A3090 Winchester Road/Halterworth Lane Access improvements Romsey
<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 approves the Project Appraisal for A3090 Winchester Road/Halterworth Lane, Romsey Access Improvements, as outlined in the supporting 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 pedestrian and cycle access improvements, as set out in the supporting report, at an estimated cost of £700,000 to be funded from Developer Contributions.
- 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 is delegated to the Directory 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. The scheme seeks to improve pedestrian and cycling accessibility along the A3090 Winchester Road at its junction with Halterworth Lane by introducing a shared use path and a realigned informal crossing over Halterworth Lane, providing a safer route for all users.
- 2.2. The scheme also seeks to improve walking, cycling and wheeling infrastructure to support local development within the vicinity of Halterworth Lane and the wider Romsey area, and will link to future Active Travel

improvements which are in development for the A3090 Winchester Road corridor.

- 2.3. This scheme supports the County Council's established priorities to improve air quality in local communities, help reduce carbon emissions in line with the climate change strategy, support local business in promoting active travel within their workplace, support the wellbeing of residents by providing active travel options, and contributing to a greener and healthier Hampshire.

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

- 3.1. An informal crossing on Winchester Road with a refuge island. Street lighting required for this design would exceed the scheme budget. Road safety concerns regarding the effect on curvature of the road impacting forward visibility of the crossing and space restriction to accommodate cycle refuge island led to rejection of this option.
- 3.2. A signalised crossing over Winchester Road is a feasible option however the costs of this scheme including street lighting requirements would exceed the scheme budget. It is likely that future tranches of developer funding could allow the County Council to deliver a controlled crossing as demand increases.
- 3.3. An uncontrolled crossing with a cycle refuge across the wide bell-mouth into Halterworth Lane. However, this layout could not accommodate large vehicle turns required for deliveries to local businesses.
- 3.4. Do nothing. If the junction of Halterworth Lane remains unchanged, it would not comply with design standards or guidance for the intended use by non-motorised users as part of a wider package of works along the A3090 Winchester Road corridor. The junction currently features a wide bell-mouth arrangement with limited sightlines raising road safety concerns should it be formalised as an active travel link.

### **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 Member for Highways & Waste  
Councillor Lulu Bowerman**