

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Committee:	Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services Select Committee
Date:	28 April 2025
Title:	County Councillor Grants Task and Finish Working Group – Terms of Reference
Report From:	Director of Hampshire 2050

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Purpose of Report

1. The purpose of this report is for the Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services Select Committee to consider whether to initiate a Task and Finish Working Group to oversee and scrutinise the approach and outcomes of the County Councillor Grant Scheme Review.

Recommendation(s)

2. That the Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services Select Committee:
 - a. Set up a Task and Finish Working Group to oversee and scrutinise the approach and outcomes of the County Councillor Grant Scheme Review.
 - b. Agree the Terms of Reference for the Working Group as set out in Appendix 1.
 - c. Agree the membership of the Working Group.

Contextual Information

3. In December 2024 a [report](#) was taken to the Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services Decision Day, which proposed a review of the County Councillor Grants Scheme.
4. It was agreed that this review would take place following the completion of the 2024/2025 grant awards window and that the 2025/2026 County Councillor Grant Scheme will not be opened until the outcomes of this review have been reviewed and considered, which will inform decisions about the future operation of the scheme.

Proposal

5. It is proposed that a Task and Finish Working Group be created, which will review the process and will provide feedback on the presentation of the outcome of the engagement process and review findings.
6. The Task and Finish Working Group will provide a report on its activities to the Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services Select Committee for consideration, as part of the pre-scrutiny process.
7. Following confirmed nominations in accordance with the membership set out in the terms of reference, it is proposed that the working group will hold an initial meeting prior to launch of wider engagement with Members.

REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	yes
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	yes

Other Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:	
<u>County Councillor Grants Review</u>	<u>5th December 2024</u>

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents	
<p>The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)</p>	
<u>Document</u>	<u>Location</u>
None	