HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Policy and Resources
Date:	16 December 2021
Title:	Investing in Hampshire Fund Bids – Winchester Excavations Committee
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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1. The decision:

1.1 To approve an award of £200,000 to *Winchester Excavations*, which will include a significant contribution to the digitisation of the publications, and on condition of match funding and the phasing of payment according to the spend.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1 Between 1962 and 1971 the *Winchester Excavations Committee* (WEC) carried out the largest programme of archaeological excavations and historical research ever undertaken in a British city with more than 2000 people digging on its sites. The centre of interest was the city itself; the urban phenomenon and how it waxed and waned over 2000 years from the Iron Age, through Roman, Anglo-Saxon and medieval times down to the emergence of the modern city in the Victorian period.
- 2.2 In recent years Winchester Excavations Committee has been undertaking a major fund-raising campaign with the twin aims of publishing the remaining volumes of work and bringing the outcomes of the analyses to a wider audience

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1 None

- 4. Conflicts of interest:
- 4.1 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:
	16 December 2021
Councillor Keith Mans Executive Member for Policy and Resources	