

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Executive Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Executive Member for Highways Operations
<b>Date:</b>	10 March 2022
<b>Title:</b>	Project Appraisal: Arrival Square, Whitehill and Bordon
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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#### 1. The decision:

- 1.1 That the Executive Member for Highways Operations approves the Project Appraisal for 'Whitehill Bordon: Arrival Square – Public Realm New Town Centre Access' ("the Scheme"), as outlined in the supporting report.
- 1.2 That approval be given to procure, spend and enter into necessary contractual arrangements, in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to implement the scheme, as set out in the supporting report, at an estimated cost of £1,680,000, to be funded from Defence Infrastructure Organisation and Section 106 Developer Contributions.
- 1.3 That approval be given to enter into any necessary licences, consents, approvals and agreements in consultation with the Head of Legal Services, to secure all dedications and rights prior to the start of works to enable implementation of the Scheme.
- 1.4 That authority to make the arrangements to implement the scheme, including minor variations to the design or contract, be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment.

#### 2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1 Whitehill and Bordon is being transformed into a prosperous "green and healthy town" with a new town centre of 3,350 new homes and 5,500 new jobs. The present agreed Sustainable Transport Improvements Package proposes the following: -
  - a) to provide walking, cycling and urban realm improvements in Whitehill and Bordon;
  - b) to remove barriers to movement in order to safeguard communities; and
  - c) to make the town more attractive and connect local communities.

2.2 The package proposed to deliver this is Arrival Square, a revised road layout to manage traffic flows, encourage bus patronage and link of the Green Grid construction by Hampshire County Council and the main public access to the new town centre area for non-motorised users from the Eastern side of Whitehill and Bordon.

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

3.1 Other measures considered include a segregated cycle infrastructure along the western verge of the High Street. However, this was discounted due to the negative effects that it would have on access into Arrival Square for local pedestrians and users of public transport.

3.2 The option of do nothing was rejected on the grounds it would fail to deliver the objectives of the Sustainable Transport Improvements package and lose an opportunity to improve outcomes for residents and the travelling public.

**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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**10 March 2022**

**Executive Member for Highways Operations  
Councillor Russell Oppenheimer**