

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Cabinet
Date:	15 March 2022
Title:	Local Regeneration and Growth Partnerships with District Local Authorities
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

1.1 It is recommended that Cabinet:

- a) Approves the new model of engagement for local regeneration and growth partnership working with the districts and boroughs of Hampshire and endorses the extension of this approach where appropriate to neighbouring Unitary authorities.
- b) Approves a new approach for local regeneration and growth, based on combining a strategic view of the overall needs of Hampshire with local priorities arising in each area, and connecting need with opportunities, maximising delivery through collaboration and partnership working and determining the right and proportionate interventions based on best available evidence.
- c) Notes the growing opportunities arising from emerging national Government policy changes, for a more active County Council in the sub national place agenda across the economic, social and environmental policy spheres and the scope for a more outward-facing and collaborative approach.
- d) Agrees that the County Council should be represented in local regeneration and growth partnership governance arrangements by the Executive Lead Member for Economy, Transport and Environment plus a local county councillor where appropriate, and that appointment to such future partnership arrangements is delegated to the Executive Lead Member for Economy, Transport and Environment.
- e) Keeps the new model of engagement under constant monitoring and review through update reports being submitted to the Economic Development Sub Committee.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1 Nationally, sub-nationally and locally there is a growing importance of regeneration and growth strategies, programmes and projects. Hampshire County Council has assets and capabilities that can add value to local regeneration and growth across the county, working in partnership with the

districts and boroughs of Hampshire, as well as neighbouring areas. At present, however, there is no clear 'lens' from within the County Council or elsewhere over existing arrangements in relation to regeneration and growth initiatives.

2.2 Through the implementation of the suggested external governance and internal collaborative arrangements, led by the EISP function, significant local regeneration and growth can be made across Hampshire to the benefit of our residents, businesses, and communities.

2.3 This decision links with Hampshire County Council's 'Serving Hampshire's Residents - Strategic Plan 2021 - 2025' Aim 1: Hampshire maintains strong and resilient economic growth & prosperity'.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. To not propose new local regeneration and growth partnership approaches, however this would result in a continued sub-optimal approach.

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:

15 March 2022

**Chairman of Cabinet
Councillor Keith Mans**