

NEW COUNTY TRANSPORT PANELS AND REVISED HIGHWAY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY PANELS

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report sets out the new arrangements for County Council Transportation Strategy Panels and invites appointments to the two newly formed Panels for this area.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 A recent county-wide review of strategy areas and Transportation Panels has resulted in the approval, by the County Council on 27 November 2003 of the rationalisation of the old structure of ten Area Transport Strategies into four areas, with increased emphasis on delivery and implementation at local level.

3. DETAIL

To support the revised structure, four new Area Transport Panels will become effective from 1 January 2004, namely: Solent, New Forest, Central Hampshire and North East Hampshire. The terms of reference for the new Panels is attached at Appendix 1 to this report. NFDC is entitled to appoint four elected members to the New Forest Transport Panel and two elected members to the Solent Transport Panel.

- 3.1 The Solent Area Transport Panel will replace the current South West Hampshire Transportation Panel. The current membership of this Panel is:

F R Harrison
Mrs M D Holding
R J Neath
D N Scott
Vacancy

- 3.2 This membership will need to reduce to two members.

- 3.3 The New Forest Area Transport Panel will replace the current New Forest Transportation Strategy Members Panel. The current membership of this Panel is:

M H G Fidler
L R Puttock
D N Scott
Lt Col M J Shand
Mrs P A Wyeth

- 3.4 This membership will need to reduce to four members.
- 3.5 For 2004 the Panels will meet twice, in the spring and autumn on the following dates:

New Forest Transport Panel:

Wednesday 31 March at 2:00p.m. and Friday 29 October 2004 at 9:30 a.m.

Solent Transport Panel:

Monday 8 March and Wednesday 13 October 2004 both at 9:30 a.m.

All meetings will be held at The Castle, Winchester

4. EXISTING HIGHWAY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY PANELS

- 4.1 As a result of these new arrangements the existing Highway Management Advisory Panels will have a greater responsibility for advising the County Council's Executive Member for Environment and Executive Member for Spatial Strategy on the implementation of all schemes, rather than just traffic management schemes. These Panels have therefore been renamed Highway and Transport Advisory Panels and their terms of reference have been revised accordingly. The existing working methods will be retained as will NFDC's current representation.
- 4.2 The current New Forest Highway Management Advisory Panel comprises the following members from this Council:

Councillors:

K F Ault
M H G Fidler
F R Harrison
P E Hickman
J M Hoy
B M F Pemberton

Councillors:

D N Scott
Lt Col M J Shand
M H Thierry
P R Woods
Mrs P A Wyeth

5. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no crime and disorder implications arising directly from this report.

6. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no environmental implications arising directly from this report.

7. PORTFOLIO HOLDER COMMENTS

- 7.1 To follow

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 It is recommended that the Cabinet

- (a) Appoint four elected members to the New Forest Transport Panel; and
- (b) Appoint two elected members to the Solent Transport Panel

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Background Papers:

Letter from Hampshire
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